

**BOARD OF EDUCATION  
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT**

A meeting of the Board of Education was held on Monday, May 7, 2018, at Tyrrell Middle School. In attendance were: Lori DelBuono Bartlett, Chairman of the Board of Education; Cynthia Mancini, Vice Chairman of the Board of Education; Roberta Leonard, Secretary of the Board of Education; Thomas Buzzelli, Christopher Charette, Kathleen Cordone, Paul D'Angelo, Anthony Gugliotti and Kelly Mazza, all board members. Also in attendance: Dr. Anthony Gasper, Superintendent of Schools; Todd Bendtsen, Business Manager; Frank Purcaro, Director of Student Learning & Teaching; Kevin Hollis, Director of Student Services; Rosa Ramalhete, Supervisor of Special Education; Walter Drewry, Principal of Wolcott High School; Bryan MacKay, Assistant Principal of Wolcott High School; Joseph Morgan, Assistant Principal of Wolcott High School; Daniel Caetano, Assistant Principal of Tyrrell Middle School; Kimberly Murtaugh, Principal of Frisbie Elementary School; Deborah Osvald, Principal of Wakelee Elementary School; Aisha Mobley, Director of School Counseling; Michael Lynch, School Counselor at Tyrrell Middle School and Jessica Kenny, Board Clerk.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by Mrs. DelBuono Bartlett, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Mrs. DelBuono Bartlett then read the Wolcott Public Schools' Mission Statement.

**Approval of Minutes:**

Motion: by Ms. Leonard, seconded by Mr. D'Angelo, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of April 09, 2018. So voted.

Motion: by Mr. D'Angelo, seconded by Mrs. Mancini, to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of April 26, 2018.

**Communications:**

Rotella's Monthly Montage – April 2018

Invite to Wolcott High Schools Music Banquet

Invite to Wolcott High Schools Spring Sports Banquet

Letters from a parent concerning phase in days for kindergarten.

Appreciation cards – Shelia DiStasio, the Carmody Family and  
The Family of Kathy Synnott.

**Business Manager's Report:****Budget Transfers:**

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Mazza, to authorize the transfer of **\$60,552.19** from fiscal year 2017-2018 as presented in the Business Manager's report.  
So voted.

**Expenditures:**

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mr. D'Angelo, to approve the following expenditures:  
To approve the June 2018 payroll expenditure in the amount of **\$3,300,000.**  
To approve expenditures in the amount of **\$896,624.71** paid on May 8, 2018 for fiscal year 2017-2018.  
So voted.

**Superintendent's Report:**

Ms. Mobley, Mr. Lynch and Mr. Hollis gave a presentation on the Wolcott Public School's School Counseling Department grades 6 – 12. They spoke of the School Counseling Mission Statement, services that are offered to our students, Naviance amongst other things.

The School Principals gave two minute school highlights.

Dr. Gasper reminder parents and community members to participate in the process of setting the school budget for the coming school year. He spoke of the 3.03% that the board is requesting from the Wolcott Town Council and the primary reason why. Dr. Gasper also gave the dates and times for the upcoming budget workshops, public hearings and regular meetings for the Wolcott Town Council.

The Superintendent also recognized Teacher's for their hard work and expressed his appreciation while acknowledging Teacher Appreciation Week.

Motion: by Mr. D'Angelo, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to approve the Superintendent's Report. So voted.

**Add Item(s) to the Agenda**

Motion: by Mr. D'Angelo, seconded by Mrs. Mancini, to add item 8I to approve the 2018 – 2019 Food and Beverage Exemptions.

So voted

by Mr. D'Angelo, seconded by Mrs. Mancini to add item 8J to approve phase in days for Kindergarten.

So voted.

**Public Comment:**

Danielle Maringola, 1148 Woodtick Road, expressed her feelings about the transition period at the beginning of the school year for kindergarten students.

Jessica Tynan, 13 Ridgecrest Drive, voiced her thoughts about the phase in period for kindergarten students.

Deanna Tessier, 365 Lyman Road, spoke of her concerns about the kindergarten transition period.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Mazza, to approve on final vote the 2018 - 2019 School Handbooks.  
So voted.

Motion: by Mr. D'Angelo, seconded by Mr. Charette, to approve on final vote the 2018 – 2019 school calendar.  
So voted.

**NEW BUSINESS:****Resignations:**

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Mazza, to accept the resignation(s) of:

1. **Bonnie Hartigan** in the position of Art Teacher at Wakelee Elementary School effective the close of the 2017 – 2018 school year;
2. **Kristin Ann Haug** in the position of Dance Team Coach at Wolcott High School effective immediately;
3. **Michelle LaRachelle** in the position of Grade 7 Language Arts Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School effective June 22, 2018;

So voted.

**Transfer Between Jobs:**

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Buzzelli, to approve the following transfers to the position indicated:

1. **Megan Angelone** from the position of Paraprofessional at Wolcott High School to the position of 12 month Administrative Assistant at Tyrrell Middle School effective July 2, 2018.

So voted.

**Nominations:**

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mr. D'Angelo, to appoint the individual(s) as indicated:

1. **Kristen Curley** to the position of Homebound Tutor at Wolcott Public Schools effective May 08, 2018;
2. **Wayne Natzel** to the position of Director of Facilities for Wolcott Public School effective June 18, 2018;
3. **2018 - 2019 Fall Coaches:**

**Wolcott High School:**

Matthew Hove	Head Varsity Football Coach
Robert Stockard	Assistant Football Coach
James Crandell	Assistant Football Coach
Christopher Hayes	JV Head Football Coach
Jim Pawlak	Freshman Head Football Coach
Jill Guerrero	Varsity Cheer
Scott Rossignol	Assistant Cheer
Chris Riviezzo	Varsity Girls Soccer
Rebecca Riviezzo	JV Girls Soccer
Bryan Plona	Varsity Boys Soccer
Ron Cyr	JV Boys Soccer
Brittany Gargulio	Head Unified Coach
Alyssa Giedra	Unified Faculty Manager
Dave Pelletier	Assistant Unified Coach

**Tyrrell Middle School:**

Lee Kelsey	Girls Soccer
Brett Distasio	Girls Soccer
Marian Boisvert	Head Volleyball Coach
Alison Artigliere	Assistant Volleyball Coach
Dan Goldstone	Track Cross Country

4. **2018-2019 Winter Coaches:**

**Wolcott High School:**

Matt Craig	Varsity Boys Basketball
Jim Maisto	JV Boys Basketball
Tug Drysdale	Freshman Boys Basketball
Marty DiTuccio	Varsity Girls Basketball
Ron Cyr	JV Girls Basketball
Joe Murphy	Freshman Girls Basketball
Jill Guerrero	Varsity Cheer
Scott Rossignol	Assistant Cheer
Becky Riviezzo	Head Boys & Girls Indoor Track
Samantha Barrett	Assistant Indoor Track
Chris Riviezzo	Assistant Indoor Track

Brittany Gargulio	Head Unified Coach
Alyssa Giedra	Unified Faculty Manager
Dave Pelletier	Assistant Unified Coach

**Tyrrell Middle School:**

Lee Kelsey	Girls Basketball
Brett Distasio	Boys Basketball
Anna Bartoli	Cheerleading

**5. 2018 Summer Studies Staff :**

Matthew Angelone  
Alison Artigliere  
Dawn Bertrand  
Scott Blacker  
Marian Boisvert  
Cristy Bredice  
Anthony Cianchetti  
Robert Cormier  
Mary Devaney  
Jason Downes  
Amy Finke  
John Fish  
Andrew Gargano  
Katie Garrigus  
Sarah Gerard  
Lisa Goldberg  
Charlie Guerrero  
Katarina Kane  
Lisa Klemenz  
Anthony Mancini  
Dyann Mango  
Tyler Meccariello  
Danielle Morek  
Joseph Murphy  
Jane Natale  
Jeanne Pittman  
Joanne Riback  
Jennifer Roberts  
Stephanie Russo  
Kassie Ryan  
Justin Savarese  
Bethann Sickles  
Kristin Stec  
Christine Taylor

Michael Terry  
Bobbi Thompson  
Linda Vaivoda  
Judith Wilson  
**Paraprofessionals:**  
Rosanna Ali  
Alyssa Burksa  
Lisa Cibelli  
Lisa Cody  
Sami Connelly  
Lisa DeBarba  
Erik DiDomizio  
Lynn DiManno  
Linda Erami  
Tina Ericson  
Anna Famiglietti  
Julie Ferry  
Janice Gallagher  
Jen Giuggio  
Daphne Guggio  
John Kiely  
Amy Kowinya  
Kari Langdeau  
Paula Luis  
Donna Perazella  
Sandra Ramos  
Krista Rocco  
Carmen Slebonick  
Patricia Stanco  
Susan Zabbara

So voted.

**Amend an Appointment:**

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mr. D'Angelo, to amend an appointment the following person(s) as indicated:  
1. **Roy Bauchman** from the 0.4 Tech Ed/Auto Teacher at Wolcott High School to the position of 0.45 Supervisor of technology Education Independent study and Auto at Wolcott High School effective May 08, 2018 until June 22, 2018.

So voted.

**Approve the 2018-2019 Healthy Food Certificate Statement**

Motion: by Mrs. Mazza, seconded by Mrs. Mancini, to approve the 2018 – 2019 Healthy Food Certification Statement as follows:

**Healthy Food Option:** Pursuant to C.G.S. Section 10-215f, the board of education or governing authority certifies that all food items offered for sale to students in the schools under its jurisdiction, and not exempted from the Connecticut Nutrition Standards published by the Connecticut State Department of Education, will comply with the Connecticut Nutrition Standards during the period of July 1, 2018, through June 30, 2019. This certification shall include all food offered for sale to students separately from reimbursable meals at all times and from all sources, including but not limited to, school stores, vending machines, school cafeterias, and any fundraising activities on school premises sponsored by the school or by non-school organizations and groups.

So voted

**Approve a Stipend Position:**

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Leonard, to create the following stipend position at Wolcott High School:

1. XCEL Club Advisor (Category C)

So voted.

**Accept a Donation:**

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mrs. Leonard, to accept the CTE Advisory Committee request that the Board accept an offer by Rocco Valletta, manager of Key Bank, in the amount of \$500.00 to be used to provide our students with a field trip opportunity where they could visit Key Bank in New Haven and participate in mock interviews, resume building and other job searching skills.

So voted.

**Permission to Dispose of Equipment:**

Motion: by Mrs. Mazza, seconded by Mr. D'Angelo, to give Frisbie Elementary School permission to dispose of the following furniture and magazines:

1. One Sofa from the Faculty Lounge
2. Two Chairs from the Faculty Lounge
3. Two Hundred Magazines published between 1994 – 2000.

So voted.

**Approve the 2018 – 2019 Food and Beverage Exemptions**

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Charette, to approve the 2018 – 2019 Food and Beverage Exemptions as follows:

**Food Exemptions: for Exemption for Food Items:**

The board of education or governing authority will allow the sale to students of food items that do not meet the Connecticut Nutrition

Standards provided that the following conditions are met: 1) the sale is in connection with an event occurring after the end of the regular school day or on the weekend; 2) the sale is at the location of the event; and 3) the food items are not sold from a vending machine or school store. An “event” is an occurrence that involves more than just a regularly scheduled practice, meeting, or extracurricular activity. For example, soccer games, school plays, and interscholastic debates are events but soccer practices, play rehearsals, and debate team meetings are not. The “regular school day” is the period from midnight before to 30 minutes after the end of the official school day. “Location” means where the event is being held.

**Beverage Exemptions:**

The board of education will allow the sale to students of beverages not listed in Section 10-221q of the Connecticut General Statutes provided that the following conditions are met: 1) the sale is in connection with an event occurring after the end of the regular school day or on the weekend; 2) the sale is at the location of the event; and 3) the beverages are not sold from a vending machine or school store. An “event” is an occurrence that involves more than just a regularly scheduled practice, meeting or extracurricular activity. The “school day” is the period from midnight before to 30 minutes after the end of the official school day. “Location” means where the event is being held, and must be the same place as the food sales.

So voted.

**Add to the 2018 – 2019 calendar:**

Motion: by Mr. D’Angelo, seconded by Mrs. Mancini, to approve on add to the 2018 – 2019 school calendar a 3 day phase for kindergarten with a dismissal time of 12:45 p.m.

So voted.

**Committee Reports:**

Mrs. Mancini said that the Finance Committee met at and discussed the vendor invoices and health care and the impact it had on April.

Ms. Leonard reported that the Operations and Programs Committee met earlier and had an extensive discussion about the kindergarten phase in being a separate issue from the school calendar.

**Time for the Public:**

No one came forward.

**Items for the Next Agenda:**

The next meeting is May 21 and will be at Tyrrell Middle School.



Board members can contact the Board of Education Office if you have additional agenda items.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

Motion: by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Mrs. Leonard, to go into Executive Session for the purpose of review and consideration of scholarship applications contained information and material protected by state and federal student privacy laws.  
So voted.

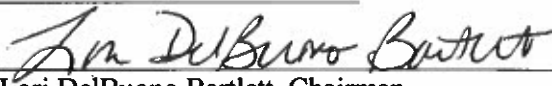
Motion: by Mr. Charette, seconded by Mr. Gugliotti, to come out of Executive Session and reconvene the regular meeting.  
So voted.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion: by Mr. D'Angelo, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to adjourn the meeting at 9:00 p.m.  
So voted.

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APPROVED \_\_\_\_\_

  
Lori DelBuono Bartlett, Chairman  
Wolcott Board of Education