

***BOARD OF EDUCATION
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT***

A Board of Education meeting was held on Monday, December 8, 2014, at Wolcott High School. In attendance were: Patricia Najarian, Chairman of the Board; Gloria Gubitosi, Vice Chairman of the Board; Cynthia Mancini, Secretary of the Board; Thomas Buzzelli, Gloria Clair, Roberta Leonard, Arthur Lerz Sr., and Kimberly Lumia, all Board members. Also in attendance: Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools; Todd Bendtsen, Business Manager; Joseph Monroe, Principal of Wolcott High School; Deborah Osvold, Assistant Principal of Wolcott High School; Arline Tansley, Principal of Tyrrell Middle School; Holly Wrenn, Principal of Alcott School; Robert Nagashima, Principal of Wakelee School; Wendie Rodriguez, Supervisor of Special Education; David Stankus, Facilities Director; Sal Coppola, WHS Teacher; Amber Marin and Victoria Maringola, WHS Students; and Joan Gray, Board Clerk.

The regular Board meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m., the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mrs. Najarian read the Wolcott Public Schools' Mission Statement.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion: by Ms. Leonard, seconded by Mrs. Clair, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 17, 2014. So voted.

Communications:

Thank-you note from Mrs. Discepolo
Rotella Monthly Montage – December 2014
CT Teacher of the Year 2015 Awards Ceremony Program

Business Manager's Report:

Expenditures:

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Lumia, to approve expenditures as follows:

To approve the January 2015 payroll expenditure in the amount of
\$2,155,000.00.

To approve expenditures in the amount of **\$382,108.63** paid on December 9, 2014 for fiscal year 2014-2015.
So voted.

Superintendent's Report:

The School Principals and Mrs. Rodriguez reported on the activities at their schools and the Student Services Department. Mrs. Wrenn reported for Frisbie School.

Starting in January, the Board will be rotating their meetings to visit all five schools. The next meeting will be at Alcott School on January 12, 2015.

There will be no school from December 24 through January 2, with early dismissal on December 23rd as follows:

Wolcott High School	12 Noon
Tyrrell Middle School	12:30 p.m.
Elementary Schools	1:20 p.m.

Mr. Coppola, Social Studies Teacher at Wolcott High School, introduced students, Amber Marin and Victoria Maringola, who did a presentation on the Model UN.

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Ms. DelBuono, to approve the Superintendent's Report. So voted.

Public Comment:

No one came forward

Committee Reports:

Mrs. Gubitosi stated that the Facilities Committee met at 6:30 p.m. and received a report from Mr. Stankus, the District's Facilities Director. He updated them on the Head Custodian appointment, facilities usage, and the new truck.

Mrs. Mancini reported the Finance Committee met earlier. Mr. Bendtsen, the Business Manager, discussed pending invoices, payroll estimate, budget reports, internal service report, and the agreement with Worhunsky/All Star.

OLD BUSINESS:

Approve - the 2015-2016 School Calendar – Final Vote:

Motion: by Mrs. Clair, seconded by Mrs. Lumia, to approve on final vote the 2015-2016 school calendars as presented. So voted.

NEW BUSINESS:**Approve – Transfer Between Jobs:**

- Motion: by Mrs. Gubitosi, seconded by Mrs. Lumia, to approve the following transfer to the positions indicated:
1. **Michael Foti** from the position of 2nd Shift Custodian at Frisbie Elementary School to the position of 2nd Shift Custodian at Wakelee Elementary School effective December 15, 2014;
 2. **Lois Green** from the position of 4 Hour Food Service Worker at Tyrrell Middle School to the position of 5 Hour Food Service Worker at Tyrrell Middle School effective December 9, 2014;
 3. **Mark Klemenz** from the position of 2nd Shift Custodian at Wolcott High School to the position of 2nd Shift Custodian at Frisbie Elementary School effective December 15, 2014;
 4. **Russell Tardif** from the position of 2nd Shift Custodian at Wakelee Elementary School to the position of Head Custodian at Wolcott High School effective December 10, 2014.

***All Board Members voted “aye” except Mr. Lerz who “abstained”.
The motion carries.***

Approve – Nominations:

- Motion: by Ms. DelBuono, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to appoint the following person(s) as indicated:
1. **Samantha Barrett** to the position of Assistant Indoor Track Coach (winter season) for Wolcott High School;
 2. **Allison Montowski** to the position of Long Term Substitute Grade 3 Teacher at Alcott Elementary School effective December 11, 2014;
 3. **Kimberly Murtaugh** to the position of Adult Education Director for the 2014-2015 school year;
 4. **Amie Regan** to the position of Secretary – 10 month at Wolcott High School effective December 18, 2014.

So voted.

Approve – Contract Provision:

- Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to approve a motion to acknowledge All Star Transportation LLC’s purchase of 100% of the stock of The Worhunsy Corporation, the Board of Education’s student transportation Contractor; and, further, to affirm that All Star Transportation LLC shall continue to provide transportation services to Wolcott Public Schools students for the term of the existing 2013-2018

transportation contract with The Worhunsky Corporation, in accordance with the conditions and guarantees set forth in said contract document.
So voted.

Accept Grant Awards:

Motion: by Mrs. Clair, seconded by Ms. DelBuono, To approve and accept the Connecticut Core Standards Professional Learning Mini-Grants as follows:

Alcott Elementary School

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| 1. Grade 2
(Cossette, Sickles)
Project Title: Moby Max | \$1,000.00 |
| 2. Grades K-5
(Sickles)
Project Title: Writing A-Z | \$2,000.00 |

Wakelee Elementary School

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| 1. Kindergarten Team
(Stec, Murphy, Colgate)
Project Title: Moby Max | \$1,500.00 |
| 2. Grade 1 Team
(Couture, Talbot, Klemenz)
Project Title: Moby Max | \$1,500.00 |
| 3. Grade 2 Team
(Matozzo, Ciarleglio, Falencki)
Project Title: Kindle Fire | \$1,500.00 |
| 4. Grade 2 Team
(Matozzo, Ciarleglio, Falencki, Whipple)
Project Title: Digital Scanner | \$1,500.00 |
| 5. Grade 3 Team
(Kane, Valovcin)
Project Title: Moby Max | \$1,000.00 |
| 6. Grade 4 Team
(McCasland, Nappi, Giglio, D'Alessandro)
Project Title: Moby Max | \$1,500.00 |
| 7. Grade 5 Team
(Calabro, Murtaugh)
Project Title: Moby Max | \$1,484.95 |

Tyrrell Middle School

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| 1. Spanish & French Classes – Grades 6, 7 & 8
(Romero, Tassinari & TMS World Language Team)
Project Title: PD from COLT Cadre | \$1,465.00 |
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So voted.

Items for the Next Agenda:

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

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Lerz, to adjourn the regular meeting at 8:17 p.m. So voted.