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**TUESDAY
7:30 P.M.**

**TYRRELL MIDDLE SCHOOL
LARGE GROUP INSTRUCTION ROOM**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT
NOVEMBER 12, 2019**

I. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, and Reading of the Mission Statement

The mission of the Wolcott Public Schools is to promote the academic, social, and emotional development of all students to become contributing members of the global community.

II. Board Swearing In and Organizational Vote

III. Approval of Minutes

A. Regular Meeting of October 21, 2019

IV. Committee Reports

V. Communications

- A. Thank you card**
- B. Rotella Monthly Montage**

VI. Business Manager's Report

A. Expenditures

VII. Superintendent's Report

- A. IT Update/Needed Infrastructure**
- B. Facilities Upgrades Update**

VIII. Public Comment

IX. Old Business

A. Sunscreen Policy – Final Vote

X. New Business

A. Nomination(s)

B. Discussion and Possible Action on Amending the 2019-2020 School Calendar

C. Consent Agenda

1. Resignation(s)

2. Out of State Field Trip(s)

3. Dispose of Equipment

XI. Time for the Public

XII. Items for the Next Agenda

XIII. Executive Session for the Purposes of Discussing the Collective Bargaining Agreement of the Wolcott Public Schools Central Office Secretaries.

XIV. Potential Action on the Ratification of the Collective Bargaining Agreement of the Wolcott Public Schools Central Office Secretaries.

XVI. Adjournment

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was held on Monday, October 21, 2019, at Tyrrell Middle School. In attendance were: Lori DelBuono Bartlett, Chairman of the Board; Cynthia Mancini, Vice Chairman of the Board; Roberta Leonard, Secretary of the Board; 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; Shawn Simpson, Assistant Superintendent of Schools; Todd Bendtsen, Business Manager; Kevin Hollis, Director of Student Services; Rosa Ramahlete, Director of Student Services; Walter Drewry, Principal of Wolcott High School; Bryan MacKay, Assistant Principal of Wolcott High School; Joseph Morgan, Assistant Principal of Wolcott High School; Joseph Norcross, Principal of Tyrrell Middle School; Dan Caetano, Assistant Principal of Tyrrell Middle School; Kimberly Murtaugh, Principal of Frisbie Elementary School; Deborah Osvald, Principal of Wakelee School; Wayne Natzel, Facilities Director; 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 Mr. D';Angelo, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 08, 2019.
So voted.

Committee Reports:

A Committee of the Whole meeting was held at 6:30 p.m., during the meeting Finance topics were reviewed. They discussed the business manager's report, expenditures, pending vendor invoices, the accounting system, oil and diesel bids, and health claims. Operations and Programs had a presentation held by Mr. Hollis in regards to the Sunscreen Policy. Lastly, the Committee discussed the quotes that have been received in regards to the Track and Field Renovation.

Communications:

Thank you card.

Business Manager's Report:**Expenditures:**

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mr. Charette, to approve the following Expenditures:
To approve expenditures in the amount of **\$213,061.46** paid on October 22, 2019 for fiscal year 2019-2020.
So voted.

Superintendent's Report:

Dr. Gasper made a statement about the State Department of Health's report on vaccination data being misleading. We do uphold the State law for vaccinations but we do not have any control over a parent's right to not vaccinate their child in regards to religion or medical reasons.

The Superintendent also took a moment to acknowledge Mrs. Lori DelBuono Bartlett and Mr. Thomas Buzzelli, as this is their last meeting on the Board. He thanked them for all they have done for the Students, Staff, himself and all of Wolcott and lastly for all the tireless hours they have volunteered to the Wolcott Public Schools.

Mrs. DelBuono Bartlett made a statement to the people of Wolcott, Staff, and students, that it has been an honor to serve. She thanked the Board Clerk, Superintendent, Board of Education, Vice Chairman, and her husband and sons. The Chairman lastly thank Mr. Buzzelli for his six years of service.

Mr. Norcross, Mr. Simpson, Mrs. Murtaugh, and Mrs. Osvald gave a presentation on the Middle School and Elementary Schools Vision of the Graduate. They all spoke of how they came up with their versions of the Vision of the Graduate.

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini seconded by Mr. Buzzelli to approve the superintendent's report as presented.
So voted.

Project Title: Author Visit – Phil Bildner**3. Out of State Field Trips:**

- a. **Tyrrell Middle School's 8th grade** (180) requests permission to go to Washington D.C. on May 26-29, 2020, for the purpose of enrichment of Grade 8 History and ELA content.
- b. **Wolcott High School's Baseball Team** (40) requests permission to go to Johnson City, Tennessee on April 13-18 2020, for the purposes of Varisty playing two nonconference games and JV playing three games to help team building, prep, and practice.

4. Out of State Conferences

- a. **Tanya Adorno**, Athletic Director, request permission to attend the National Interscholastic Athletic Administrators Association (NIAAA) Annual Conference in Maryland from December 13-18, 2019;
- b. **Amanda Gorton**, School Psychologist, request permission to attend the Collaborative Program Solving workshop, at the Worchester Public Schools, Worchester Tech High School, in Worchester, MA on October 23, 2019.

So Voted.

Time for the Public:

No one came forward.

Items for the Next Agenda:

The next meeting is November 12, 2019 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. Mancini, to go into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing the Collective Bargaining Agreement of the Wolcott Public Schools Administrative Council, with Mr. Bendtsen invited into executive session.
So voted.

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to come out of Executive Session and reconvene the regular meeting at 8:25 p.m. So voted.

Ratification of the Collective Bargaining Agreement:

Motion: by Ms. Leonard, seconded by Mr. Buzzelli on the ratification of the collective bargaining agreement of the Wolcott Public Schools Administrator Council.
So voted.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Mr. D'Angelo, to adjourn the meeting at 8:27 p.m.
So voted.

Note: The Board of Education meetings are videotaped, and as a result are available to be viewed on the WLCT96 site on the Town of Wolcott's website, www.wolcottct.org.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – November 12, 2019

RESOLUTION: EXPENDITURES

Resolution from Dr. Anthony Gasper, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

To approve expenditures in the amount of **\$901,853.51** paid on November 12, 2019 for fiscal year 2019-2020

To approve the December 2019 payroll expenditures in the amount of **\$1,550,000.00** for fiscal year 2019-2020.

**WOLCOTT PUBLIC SCHOOLS
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT
SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT
November 12, 2019**

Two Minute School Highlights:

Alcott:

Frisbie:

Wakelee:

Tyrrell:

Wolcott High:

Student Services:

Superintendent's Report Topics:

- A. IT Update/Needed Infrastructure**
- B. Facilities Upgrades Update**

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – November 12, 2019

RESOLUTION: ADOPT A POLICY – FINAL VOTE

Resolution from Dr. Anthony Gasper, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

To Adopt on Final Vote a Board Policy #P5141.214– Students: Student Sunscreen Use as presented during the Committee of the Whole Meeting.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – November 12, 2019

RESOLUTION: NOMINATION(S)

Resolution from Dr. Anthony Gasper, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

TO APPOINT THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) AS INDICATED:

1. **Christa Leary** to the position of Special Education Paraprofessional at Wolcott High School effective November 13, 2019;
2. **Heather Powers** to the position of 0.45 Math Interventionist at Wakelee School effective November 14, 2019;
3. **Chelsea Schmidt** to the position of Food Service Worker for the District effective November 13, 2019;
4. **Joseph Sobowicz** to the position of Freshman Boys Basketball Coach at Wolcott High School effective November 13, 2019;
5. **Stephanie Torres** to the position of Lunch Aid at Wakelee School effective November 13, 2019;
6. **Lidia Verdura** to the position of Social Worker at Wakelee School effective November 26, 2019;
7. **2019 Fall Season Volunteer**
Wolcott High School
Matt Maisto Boys Basketball (pending certification)

(See attached)

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – November 12, 2019

RESOLUTION: CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution from Dr. Anthony Gasper, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED:

A. Resignation(s):

1. **Jennifer DiNunzio** from the position of School Nurse at Tyrrell Middle School effective November 8, 2019;
2. **Barbara Lindquist** from the position of Paraprofessional at Tyrrell Middle School for the purposes of retirement effective with the end of the 2019-2020 school year.

B. Out of State Field Trips:

1. **Wolcott High School's Varsity Cheerleading (22)** requests permission to go to Spirit Unlimited U.S. Open Cheerleading and Dance Championship in Orlando, Florida on February 06-10 2020, for the purposes of being exposed to and compete against other competitive cheerleading programs from around the country in addition to experiencing a new city and culture.

C. Dispose of Equipment:

1. Tyrrell Middle School's Media Center request permission to dispose of non-fiction books that are no longer current with curricula at Tyrrell Middle School.

(See attached)