



OUR FUTURE IS IN CHILDREN'S EDUCATION

**MONDAY
7:30 P.M.**

**WOLCOTT HIGH SCHOOL
RESOURCE CENTER**

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT
AGENDA
September 8, 2014**

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. Approval of Minutes

A. Regular Meeting of August 18, 2014

III. Communications

IV. Business Manager's Report

A. Expenditures

V. Superintendent's Report

A. Mr. Macary's Report

B. Introduce New Teachers & Administrators

VI. Public Comment

VII. Committee Reports

VIII. Old Business

A. Approve the Wolcott Public Schools' Security & Safety Plan – Final Vote

B. Approve Revised & New Curriculum – Final Vote

C. Approve CT Core State Standards Curriculum - Final Vote

D. Approve Revised Board Policies/Regulations – Final Vote

IX. New Business

A. Resignations

- B. Nomination(s)
- C. Permission to Teach a 6th Class
- D. Approval for Girls Swim Program

- X. Time for the Public
- XI. Items for the Next Agenda
- XII. Executive Session

Recommended Motion: “that the Board go into executive session for the purpose of discussing the employment of a non-certified employee, and a discussion of a confidential student matter which would result in disclosure of information protected by FERPA.

ADJOURNMENT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION

- XIII. Adjournment

Note:

Facilities Committee at 6:30-7:00 p.m. in the Wolcott High School’s Virtual Learning Computer Lab: 1) Security Grant Update; 2) Update on Summer Projects; and 3) Interim Facilities Director’s Report.

Finance Committee at 7:00-7:30 p.m. in the Wolcott High School’s Virtual Learning Computer Lab: 1) Expenditures; and 2) Substitute Employee Wages; 3) Business Manager’s Report.

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

A Board of Education meeting was held on Monday, August 18, 2014, at Tyrrell Middle 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, Lori DelBuono, Roberta Leonard, and Arthur Lerz Sr., all Board members. Also in attendance: Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools; Todd Bendtsen, Business Manager; Frank Purcaro, Director of Curriculum & Professional Development; Joseph Monroe, Principal of Wolcott High School; Walter Drewry, Assistant Principal of Wolcott High School; Arline Tansley, Principal of Tyrrell Middle School; Shawn Simpson, Assistant Principal of Tyrrell Middle School; Wendie Rodriguez, Supervisor of Special Education; David Stankus, the Interim Facilities Director; 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 Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Ms. DelBuono, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of July 21, 2014. So voted.

Motion: by Mrs. Gubitosi, seconded by Ms. DelBuono, to approve the minutes of the special meeting of August 4, 2014 with the correction of Board member, Gloria Clair's name in attendance. So voted.

Communications:

Thank you letter from the Gleason Family

Thank you note from Mr. George

Letter to Town Council

Letter from Ms. Perrone-Petta

Letter from CABE

CABE Journal – July/August 2014

Thank you note from Mr. Regan

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

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to authorize the transfer of **\$413,935.35** presented in the Business Manager's report. So voted.

Expenditures:

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

To approve the September 2014 payroll expenditure in the amount of **\$1,500,000.**

To approve expenditures in the amount of **\$114,246.94** paid on August 19, 2014 for fiscal year 2013-2014.

To approve expenditures in the amount of **\$1,679,522.90** paid on August 19, 2014 for fiscal year 2014-2015.

So voted.

Superintendent's Report:

Wolcott Summer Studies is celebrating its 50th Anniversary. There are approximately 520 students who participated in the program this year.

Registration for new students at Wolcott High School is by appointment on August 21 and 22 from 9:00 to 1:00. Call 203 879-8157 on Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday mornings during the summer to schedule.

Elementary registration is on Friday, August 22, 2014 from 9:00 to 2:00 at Alcott, Frisbie or Wakelee.

All athletes will need a current physical to participate at the high school and middle school. Forms can be picked up at the schools.

School bus schedules are posted on the district website: www.wolcottps.org; and in the Wolcott Community News and the Waterbury Republican.

Mr. Jeff Shannon was introduced as Mr. Macary's Superintendent Intern for the 2014-2015 school year.

Motion: by Mrs. Clair, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to approve the Superintendent's Report. So voted.

Public Comment:

No one came forward.

Committee Reports:

Mrs. Gubitosi reported the Facilities Committee met at 6:30 and received an update on summer projects from the Interim Facilities Director, David Stankus.

Mrs. Mancini said the Finance Committee met earlier. Pending invoices, budget transfers, July health claims, and information on the purchase of equipment were discussed.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:**Approve – Resignations:**

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to accept the following resignations of:

1. **Mirlinda Abou Arrage** in the position of 4 Hours Food Service Worker Floater for the Wolcott Public Schools effective immediately;
2. **Brittany Jenkins** in the position of Supervisor of the Latchkey Program at Frisbie Elementary School effective June 24, 2014;
3. **Diana Wohlhieter** in the position of Grade 5 Teacher at Wakelee Elementary School effective August 22, 2014.

So voted.

Approve – Transfer Between Jobs:

Motion: by Mrs. Clair, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to approve the following transfers to the positions indicated:

1. **Lodi Attalah** from the position of Special Education Paraprofessional - Life Skills at Wolcott High School to the position of Special Education Paraprofessional - Pre K at Alcott Elementary School effective August 27, 2014.

So voted.

Approve – Nominations:

Motion: by Mrs. Clair, seconded by Ms. DelBuono, to appoint the following person(s) as indicated:

1. **Carolyn Barnett** in the position of Grade 5 Teacher at Wakelee Elementary School effective on August 25, 2014;
2. **Daniel Cocchiola** in the position of Guidance Counselor at Wolcott High School effective on August 25, 2014;

3. **Daniel Cocchiola** in the position of Guidance Department Head at Wolcott High School & Tyrrell Middle School effective on August 25, 2014;
4. **Alyssa Ferrone** in the position of Guidance Counselor at Wolcott High School effective on August 25, 2014;
5. **Kimberly Livingston** in the position of Special Education Teacher at Wakelee Elementary School effective on August 25, 2014;
6. **Kate Lynch** in the position of Science Teacher at Wolcott High School effective August 25, 2014;
7. **Michael Lynch** in the position of Guidance Counselor at Tyrrell Middle School effective on August 25, 2014;
8. **Jason Pearson** in the position of Boys Soccer Coach at Tyrrell Middle School effective on August 27, 2014;
9. **Becky Riviezzo** in the position of Girls Soccer Coach at Tyrrell Middle School effective on August 27, 2014;
10. **Shelby Slie** in the position of Grade 9 English Teacher at Wolcott High School effective on August 25, 2014;
11. **Laura Stabile** in the position of Long-Term Substitute Guidance Counselor at Wolcott High School effective August 25, 2014;
12. **Sara Vumbaca** in the position of Art Teacher at Alcott & Frisbie Elementary Schools effective on August 25, 2014.

So voted.

Permission to Teach a 6th Class:

Motion: by Mrs. Gubitosi, seconded by Mrs. Mancini, to approve teaching a 6th class by the following person(s) as indicated:

Wolcott High School:

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| English | David Niemitz |
| Social Studies | Dan Caetano |
| Science | Steve Jasulavic |
| Mathematics | John Waitkus |
| Spanish | Tom Pelosi |

Tyrrell Middle School:

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| French | Lisa Tassinari |
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So voted.

Permission to Dispose of Equipment:

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Clair, to approve permission to dispose of the following equipment:

A Set of Risers at Alcott Elementary School

A VHS RCA Camcorder at Tyrrell Middle School

So voted.

Approval for Girls Swim Programs:

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to authorize Sarah Burton and Carrington Conner to practice and compete for Wolcott High School in cooperation with the Naugatuck High School’s Girls Swim Team as two one-man teams for the 2014-2015 school year. So voted.

Approve 2014-2015 Tuition Rate:

Motion: by Mrs. Gubitosi, seconded by Ms. DelBuono, to approve the following tuition rate for the 2014-2015 School Year:

ALL GRADES - \$11,393

So voted.

Approve the 2014-2015 Special Education Tuition & Related Services Rates:

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Ms. DelBuono, to approve the following Special Education tuition and related services rates for the 2014-2015 School Year:

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| Special Education Teacher | - | \$50.00/hour |
| Speech Therapy | - | \$88.00/hour |
| Counseling | - | \$85.00/hour |
| Social Work Services | - | \$80.00/hour |
| Occupational Therapy | - | \$80.00/hour |
| Physical Therapy | - | \$72.00/hour |
| Music Therapy | - | \$60.00/hour |
| Nursing Services | - | \$55.00/hour |
| Instructional Assistant | - | \$16.00/hour |

So voted.

Approve the Wolcott Public Schools’ Security & Safety Plan – Initial Vote:

Motion: by Mrs. Gubitosi, seconded by Mrs. Mancini, to approve on initial vote the Wolcott Public School’s Security & Safety Operations Plan. So voted.

Approve Revised & New Curriculum – Initial Vote:

Motion: by Mrs. Gubitosi, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to adopt on initial vote the following curriculum:

Revised:

1. Spanish 1-A (Grade 7)
2. Spanish 1-B (Grade 8)
3. Spanish 1 (Grade 9)
4. 20th Century Global Studies (Grade 9)
5. Science (Grade 4)

New:

1. Model United Nations (Grades 11 & 12)

So voted.

Approve CT Core State Standards Curriculum – Initial Vote:

Motion: by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to adopt on initial vote the following CT Core State Standards Curriculum:

English Language Arts (Grades K-8)

Mathematics (Grades K-8)

So voted.

Approve Revised Board Policies/Regulations – Initial Vote:

Motion: by Ms. DelBuono, seconded by Mr. Lerz, to adopt on initial vote the following Board policies/regulations:

1. Policy #5114 – Students – Suspension & Expulsion/Due Process
2. Policy 5131.911 – Students – Hazing – Bullying
3. Policy 5141.7 – Students – Student Sports – concussions & Head Injuries
4. Policy/Regulation 5141.21 – Students – Administering Medications
5. Regulations 6142.101 – Instructions – Student Nutrition & Physical Activity – District Nutrition Standards

So voted.

Approve a Contract:

Motion: by Mrs. Gubitosi, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to table to Executive Session a personnel contract. So voted.

Bid Waiver:

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to waive the bid for the purchase of equipment.

ADD TO THE AGENDA:

Approve – Resignation:

Motion: by Mrs. Gubitosi, seconded by Mrs. Mancini, to add to the agenda a resolution to approve the resignations of a school nurse from Tyrrell Middle School. So voted.

Motion by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Ms. DelBuono, to accept the resignation of:

1. **Lori Diorio** in the position of School Nurse at Tyrrell Middle School effective September 5, 2014.

So voted.

Time for the Public:

No one came forward.

Items for the Next Agenda:

Final votes on resolutions.

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to take a 5 minute recess at 7:55 p.m., then go into Executive Session for the purpose of conducting the Superintendent's evaluation; and the consideration of a proposed resolution of pending action regarding enforcement of legal rights in a vendor contract.

Motion: by Ms. Leonard, seconded by Ms. DelBuono, to come out of Executive Session and reconvene the regular meeting at 9:53 p.m. So voted.

ADD TO THE AGENDA:**Approve an Amendment to a Contract:**

Motion: by Ms. Leonard, seconded by Ms. DelBuono, to add to the agenda to approve an amendment to the contract entitled Wolcott Board of Education Special Education Transportation Services 2013-2018. So voted.

Motion: by Mrs. Gubitosi, seconded by Mrs. Clair, to approve an amendment to the contract entitled Wolcott Board of Education Special Education Transportation Services 2013-2018. So voted.

Approve a Contract:

Motion: by Ms. DelBuono, seconded by Mrs. Manini, to approve the following contract:
Joseph Macary Superintendent of Schools 2014-2017
So voted.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: by Ms. DelBuono, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:55 p.m. So voted.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – September 8, 2014

RESOLUTION: EXPENDITURES

Resolution from Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

To approve the October 2014 payroll expenditure in the amount of \$1,755,000.

To approve expenditures in the amount of \$668,892.28 paid on September 9, 2014 for fiscal year 2014-2015.

WOLCOTT PUBLIC SCHOOLS
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT
SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

September 8, 2014

Two Minute Reports:

Alcott:
Class Size Report:
PTO Meeting Dates:
Report on School Opening

Frisbie:
Class Size Report:
PTO Meeting Dates:
Report on School Opening

Wakelee:
Class Size Report:
PTO Meeting Dates:
Report on School Opening

Tyrrell:
Class Size Report:
PTO Meeting Dates:
Report on School Opening

Wolcott High:
Class Size Report:
PTO Meeting Dates:
Report on School Opening

Now, we will introduce our new staff...

Building principals will introduce their staff members.

As you know I visit each school once a month for a full day. That includes bus arrival, café duty, classroom visits, principal meetings, and discussions with our staff. I am happy to report that we had a very smooth school opening and a dedicated staff of teachers, administrators, custodians, paraprofessionals, secretaries, nurses, cafeteria workers, and support staff. Everyone is excited to be back, especially the students. This year, I am taking pictures during my day visit and posting them on the WPS Facebook Fan Page. I look forward to reporting back all the positive activities and learning that is happening in our schools

We'll take a break for some refreshments with our new teachers.....

Conference Attendance Report

September 8, 2014

| DATE | COST | PERSON(S) | SCHOOL/POSITION | SUB | PRESENTER | TITLE | LOCATION |
|----------|-------------|------------------|---------------------------------------|-----|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| 09/12/14 | None | Wendie Rodriguez | District/SPED Supv | No | CSSD | Ct Restraint & Seclusion Prevention Initiative | CCSU; New Britain, Ct. |
| 09/17/14 | None | Melissa Iles | District/Director of Student Services | No | Ct Bureau of Special Education | 11th Annual Back to School Meeting | Cromwell, Ct |
| 09/17/14 | None | Wendie Rodriguez | District/SPED Supv | No | Ct Bureau of Special Education | 11th Annual Back to School Meeting | Cromwell, Ct |
| 09/19/14 | \$69.00 | Janice Penta | Tyrrell/Proj Explore Teacher | No | Ct Association for the Gifted | Nurturing Creativity in the Classroom | NVCC; Wtby, Ct |
| 10/10/14 | \$125 + (M) | Cindi Garland | Wakelee/Nursing Supv | Yes | CSDE | Fall 2014 School Nurse Supv Conference | Cromwell, Ct |
| 10/27/14 | \$235 + (M) | Kristin Stec | Wakelee/Gr K Teacher | Yes | Bureau of Education & Research | Math Work Stations to Help Students Meet CCSS (K-2) | Bristol, Ct |
| 11/20/14 | (M) Only | Kristin Stec | Wakelee/Gr K Teacher | Yes | ACES | TEAM Reflection Paper Reviewer Update Training | Hamden, Ct |

(M) = Mileage
 (P) = Parking Fees

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| CSSD | Ct Support Service Division |
| CSDE | Ct State Dept of Education |
| CCSS | Common Core State Standard |

Field Trip Report

BOE Meeting 9-8-14

| Trip ID | Trip | Date | School | # Students | Trip Destination | Educational Objectives | Contact |
|---------|------------------|-----------|---------|------------|-----------------------|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| 435 | Author Visit TMS | 9/11/2014 | Frisbie | 128 | Tyrrell Middle School | To hear about the writing process from a published author. | Stewart, Amy |

Fundraiser Report September 8, 2014

| DATE | SCHOOL | GROUP/PERSON | DESCRIPTION OF FUNDRAISER |
|--------------|---------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Aug 30 | WHS | Girls Soccer | Car Wash |
| Nov 4 | Tyrrell | Dance Team | Sell baked goods at polls |
| Nov 4 | WHS | National Honor Society | Sell baked goods at polls |
| Dec 17-Jan 9 | Tyrrell | Dance Team & Music Dept | Sell talent show tickets |
| Apr 23 | WHS | National Honor Society | Sell tickets to a dinner at LaFortuna |

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – September 8, 2014

**RESOLUTION: APPROVAL OF WOLCOTT PUBLIC SCHOOLS'
SECURITY & SAFETY OPERATIONS PLAN**

Resolution from Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

To approve on final vote the Wolcott Public School's Security & Safety Operations Plan.

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – September 8, 2014

RESOLUTION: ADOPT CURRICULUM

Resolution from Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

To adopt on final vote the following curriculum:

Revised:

1. Spanish 1-A (Grade 7)
2. Spanish 1-B (Grade 8)
3. Spanish 1 (Grade 9)
4. 20th Century Global Studies (Grade 9)
5. Science (Grade 4)

New:

1. Model United Nations (Grades 11 & 12)

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – September 8, 2014

RESOLUTION: ADOPT CT CORE STATE STANDARDS CURRICULUM

Resolution from Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

To adopt on final vote the following CT Core State Standards Curriculum:

English Language Arts (Grades K-8)

Mathematics (Grades K-8)

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – September 8, 2014

RESOLUTION: ADOPT A REVISED POLICY/REGULATION

Resolution from Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

To adopt on final vote the following Board policies/regulations:

- 1. Policy #5114 – Students – Suspension & Expulsion/Due Process**
- 2. Policy 5131.911 – Students – Hazing – Bullying**
- 3. Policy 5141.7 – Students – Student Sports – concussions & Head Injuries**
- 4. Policy/Regulation 5141.21 – Students – Administering Medications**
- 5. Regulations 6142.101 – Instructions – Student Nutrition & Physical Activity
– District Nutrition Standards**

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – September 8, 2014

RESOLUTION: RESIGNATIONS

Resolution from Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

TO ACCEPT THE RESIGNATIONS OF:

1. Lisa Calabretta in the position of General Food Service Worker at Wolcott High School effective September 10, 2014;
2. Nicole Carroll in the position of Special Education Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School effective immediately;
3. Rebecca Elliott in the position of Special Education Teacher at Wolcott High School effective immediately;
4. Joanne Mumley in the position of Homework Club Co-Advisor for the 2014-2015 school year.

(See attached)

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – September 8, 2014

RESOLUTION: NOMINATION(S)

Resolution from Joseph Macary, 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. **Dale Bartlett** in the position of Freshman Volleyball Coach (Fall) at Wolcott High School effective with the 2014-2015 school year;
2. **Lisa Calabretta** in the position of Latchkey Supervisor at Frisbie Elementary School effective on August 27, 2014;
3. **Danielle Carlson-Schweikher** in the position of Numeracy Support .45 at Wakelee Elementary School effective on September 10, 2014;
4. **Jennifer DiNunzio** in the position of School Nurse at Tyrrell Middle School effective on September 8, 2014;
5. **Gina Effrece** in the position of Numeracy Support .45 at Alcott Elementary School effective on September 10, 2014;
6. **Carrie Fiske** in the position of Special Education Teacher at Wolcott High School effective September 8, 2014;
7. **Deb Frageau** in the position of Long Term Substitute Grade 2 Teacher at Frisbie Elementary School effective August 27, 2014;
8. **Cristin Gress** in the position of Special Education Teacher at Wakelee Elementary School effective on September 8, 2014;
9. **Charlie Guerrero** in the position of Financial Advisor at Wolcott High School effective on August 27, 2014;
10. **Stacey Hart and Sara McOmber** in the position of Discovery Program Co-Advisors at Wolcott High School effective for the 2014-2015 school year;
11. **Michelle LaRochelle** in the position of Homework Club Advisor at Tyrrell Middle School effective for the 2014-2015 school year;
12. **Danielle Maringola** in the position of JV/Varsity Dance Coach at Wolcott High School effective for the 2014-2015 school year;
13. **Dorene Page** in the position of 5 Hour General Food Service Worker at Wakelee Elementary School effective September 10, 2014;

14. **Kimberly Stein** in the position of Numeracy Support .45 at Frisbie Elementary School effective on September 8, 2014;
15. **Michelle Walden** in the position of Food Service General Worker – Floater for the Wolcott Public Schools effective September 10, 2014;
16. **Wolcott High School's 2014 Fall Volunteer Coaches:**
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| Charlie Guerrero | Varsity Boys Soccer |
| Sarah Macary | Varsity Girls Soccer |
| Jillian Pajak Guerrero | Varsity Cheerleading |
| Jamie Gaudiosi | Varsity Cheerleading |
| Jay Prescott | Freshman Football |
| Mark Bove | Varsity Football |
| Anthony Bell | Varsity Football |
| James Maisto | Varsity Football |
| John Kiely | Varsity Football |
| Bob Stoeckart | Varsity Football |
| Pete Pace | Varsity Football |

(See attached)

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – September 8, 2014

RESOLUTION: APPROVE TEACHING A SIXTH CLASS

Resolution from Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

To approve teaching a 6TH class by the following person(s) as indicated:

Wolcott High School:

Engineering Design John Matthews

(See attached)

Resolution No. 09-08-14: 7154

Regular Meeting of the Board of Education – September 8, 2014

RESOLUTION: WHS GIRLS SWIM PROGRAM

Resolution from Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools, to the Honorable Board of Education of the Town of Wolcott, making recommendation

To authorize Rebecca Corsi to practice and compete for Wolcott High School in cooperation with the Naugatuck High School's Girls Swim Team as a one-man team for the 2014-2015 school year.

(See attached)