

**BOARD OF EDUCATION
WOLCOTT, CONNECTICUT**

A regular meeting of the Board of Education was held on Monday, September 09, 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. Also in attendance: Dr. Anthony Gasper, Superintendent of Schools; Todd Bendtsen, Business Manager; Kevin Hollis, Director of Special Education; Rosa Ramalhete, Supervisor of Special Education; Walt Drewry, Principal of Wolcott High School; Bryan MacKay, Assistant Principal of Wolcott High School; Joseph Morgan, Assistant Principal of Wolcott High School; Dan Caetano, Assistant Principal of Tyrrell Middle School; Kimberly Murtaugh, Principal of Frisbie School; Deborah Osvald, Principal of Wakelee School, Shawn Simpson, Principal of Alcott School; Wayne Natzel, Facilities Director; and Jessica Kenny, Board Clerk.

The Meeting was called to order at 7:29 by Mrs. DelBuono Bartlett, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Mrs. DelBuono Bartlett then read the Wolcott Public School Mission Statement.

Approval of Minutes:

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Buzzelli, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of August 26, 2019.
So voted.

Motion: by Ms. Leonard, Seconded by Mrs. Mazza, to approve the minutes of the emergency meeting of September 04, 2019.
So voted.

Approved 
Lori DelBuono Bartlett, Chairman
Wolcott Board of Education

Committee Reports:

A Committee of the Whole meeting was held at 6:45 p.m. Topics discussed included: Expenditures, Health Claims and Pending Vendor Invoices. Also discussed was changes to the Athletic Handbooks, this will be an amendment not a policy change.

Communications:

Thank you letter;
Rotella Monthly Montage.

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

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mr. Charette, to approve the following expenditures:

To approve expenditures in the amount of **\$522,851.88** paid on September 10, 2019 for fiscal year 2019 – 2020.

To approve the October 2019 payroll expenditures in the amount of **\$2,016,011** for Fiscal year 2019 – 2020.

Superintendent's Report:

The Principal's and the Director of Student Services gave highlights from the start of school. The Principal's thank the PTO for the wonderful arches they provided for the entrances to each school. They all commented on what a wonderful treat it was for the students and what a great back splash it made for pictures. Mr. Simpson even mimicked the inflatable tube men air dancers that Alcott had.

Everyone including the Superintendent thanked our Transportation company, the Wolcott Police Department, and the construction company for the buses being on time despite the construction on Todd Road.

They also commended the staff on what a wonderful job they are doing while the technology issue is diligently being worked on. The Superintendent stated that there is no evidence of a data breach, that this will not be a quick improvement, and he will continue to keep the staff and parents updated.

Lastly, he thanked the Board of Education, the staff, and the administrators for their ability to keep things running smoothly.

Motion: by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Mrs. Mancini, to approve the Superintendent's Report.

So voted.

Public Comment:

No one came forward.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

Nomination(s):

Motion: by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to appoint the following person(s) as indicated:

1. **Ylza Ajro** to the position of Five-Hour Food Service Worker at Wakelee School effective September 11, 2019;
2. **Sabrina Aldridge** to the position of Special Education Teacher at Tyrrell Middle School effective September 11, 2019 or as soon as available;
3. **Emily Nichols** to the position of Four-Hour Food Service Worker for the District effective September 11, 2019;
4. **2019 Fall Season Volunteer Coaches:**

Wolcott High School

Kelly Gunneson	Volleyball Volunteer
Ashley Sloan	Girls Soccer Volunteer (Pending 1-year Emergency Certification)
Korey Speller	Football Volunteer (Pending 1-year Emergency Certification)

Change of Donor's Business Name on WHS Scoreboard(s):

Motion: by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Mrs. Mazza, to change the donor's business name on the Wolcott High School's Baseball Scoreboards from "*Vaculease*" to "*The Cleanest Solution*"

So voted.

Consent Agenda:

Motion: by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Ms. Leonard to approve the Consent Agenda as presented:

1. Resignation(s):

a. **Elzbieta Kremens** from the position of Spanish Teacher at Wolcott High School effective the end of the 2019 – 2020 school year.

2. Out of State Field Trips(s):

a. To approve Tyrrell Middle Schools grade 6 Social Studies Classes (180) travel to New York City to visit the Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, and the 9-11 Memorial on October 09, 2019.

3. Permission to Dispose of Equipment:

a. To give Tyrrell Middle School permission to dispose of or donate the following equipment:

- 2 old and unusable soccer nets (with metal post);
- 2 volleyball polls on wheels
- 1 volleyball spiking pole;
- 4 metal and plastic hurdles

Time for the Public:

No one came forward.

Items for the Next Agenda:

The next meeting is Monday, September 23, 2019 and will be held 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 Mr. Charette, to go into Executive Session for the purposes of a personnel matter related to a teacher's employment, School Secretaries contract negotiation, and a school security matter.

Motion: by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Mr. Charette, to come out of Executive Session and reconvene the regular meeting at 9:07 p.m.

Action on Ratification of a Collective Bargaining Agreement:

Motion: by Mr. Gugliotti, seconded by Mr. Buzzelli to ratify the collective bargaining agreement for the School Secretaries as presented.
So voted.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mr. D'Angelo, to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 p.m.
So voted.

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