

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

A Board of Education meeting was held on Monday, June 8, 2015, 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, Lori DelBuono, Roberta Leonard, Arthur Lerz Sr., and Kimberly Lumia, all Board members. Also in attendance: Joseph Macary, Superintendent of Schools; Todd Bendtsen, Business Manager; Frank Purcaro, Director of Student Learning & Teaching; Joseph Monroe, Principal of Wolcott High School; Walter Drewry, Assistant Principal of Wolcott High School; Deborah Osvald, Assistant Principal of Wolcott High School; Holly Wrenn, Principal of Alcott School; Joseph Norcross, Principal of Frisbie School; Robert Nagashima, Principal of Wakelee School; David Stankus, 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 Ms. Leonard, seconded by Mrs. Lumia, to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 26, 2015. So voted.

Communications:

Thank you note – Mrs. Mazurek

Thank you note – Ms. Leonard

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Business Manager's Report:

Expenditures:

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

To approve the July 2015 payroll expenditure in the amount of
\$435,000.00.

To approve expenditures in the amount of **\$488,106.23** paid on June 9, 2015 for fiscal year 2014-2015.

So voted.

Superintendent's Report:

Mr. Monroe introduced Wolcott High School's Top 25 Seniors. Mrs. Najarian and Mr. Macary awarded the students a certificate of accomplishment.

Motion: by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Ms. DelBuono, to take a recess to allow the Board Members to personally congratulate the Students and their families.
So voted.

Mrs. Najarian reconvened the meeting.

The School Principals gave two minute reports of activities at their schools.

The Summer Studies Program will be held at Tyrrell Middle School starting June 29th. This year, Latchkey Services will be available after the summer school day with lunch included. Applications can be downloaded at www.wolcottps.org.

The Wolcott Public Schools will be conducting its annual "end of the year" survey. Students, parents, teachers, staff, and community members are encouraged to log onto the District's website and complete the survey.

Graduation for Tyrrell is on June 19th at 4:00 p.m. in Tyrrell's gymnasium; and Wolcott High School is on June 19th at the high school on Monroe Field (weather permitting). The last day of school in Wolcott is Friday, June 19, 2015. June 18 and 19 will be early dismissal days.

Mr. Macary reported that there was a bus accident today with injuries. He asked that everyone keep the injured and their families in their prayers.

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

Public Comment:

No one came forward

Committee Reports:

Mrs. Gubitosi said that the Facilities Committee met earlier. Mr. Stankus gave the Committee a report on the 2015 summer projects including the Building Committee projects; also, the 5-year Capital Improvement Plan.

Mrs. Mancini reported the Finance Committee met. They discussed pending invoices, the internal service report and recent training given to the Food Service Department staff to prepare them for the national exam for safe food preparation. 14 staff members took the test and all passed.

OLD BUSINESS:

None

NEW BUSINESS:**Approve – Resignations:**

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

1. **Cristin Buckley** in the position of Grade 1 Teacher at Alcott Elementary School, effective June 30, 2015;
2. **Adriana D’Amico** in the position of Paraprofessional – 6 weeks for the 2015 Summer Studies Program effective immediately.

So voted.

Approve – Nominations:

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

1. **Sara Gutis** in the position of Special Education Teacher for the Phoenix Program at Wolcott High School effective with the 2015-2016 school year;
2. **2015 Summer Studies Staff:**
 - Paraprofessionals – 5 weeks:**
Anna Famiglietti
 - Paraprofessionals – 6 weeks:**
Laura Sergi
 - Paraprofessionals Substitutes – 5 weeks:**
Robert Moffo
Christina Soban
 - Teaching Staff:**
Dawn Bertrand
Mark Berube
Scott Blacker
Marian Boisvert

Cristy Bredice
Tony Cianchetti
Robert Cormier
Karen Craig
Jason Creem
Bianca Daniels
Kerianne Falencki
John Fish
Sarah Garbus
Andy Gargano
Jane Gargano
Brittany Garguilo
Lisa Goldberg
Katrina Kane
Lisa Klemenz
Michelle LaRochelle
Karen Le Blanc
Helene Leder
Dyann Mango
Michelle McNerney
Jane Natoli
David Pape
Jeanne Pittman
Richard Ligi
John Richardson
Kristin Stec
Michael Terry
Linda Vaivoda

Secretary:

Kate Murphy

Substitutes:

Sheila Cossette
Debbie Nicol
Jennifer Edwards
Mary Devaney
Judy Wilson Hintz

3. **2015 Summer Custodians:**

Ken Bly Jr.
Robert Cantor
Zach Maisto
Mike Meier
Paula Meier

Ryan Ortiz
Vincent Pugliese

4. **2015 Summer Maintenance Workers:**

Tyler Prescott

So voted.

Approve Contracts:

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Gubitosi, to approve the following contracts:

Andrew Bundock Desktop Support Technician 2015-2017
Erich Urban Senior Desktop Support Technician 2015-2017

So voted.

Permission to Dispose of Equipment:

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Ms. Leonard, to grant permission to the Food Service Department to dispose of the following equipment:

A single door reach-in refrigerator at Tyrrell Middle School, Serial #00015593, Asset Tag #04608.

So voted.

Adopt WHS Policy Committee’s Honor Roll Amendment:

Motion: by Mrs. Mancini, seconded by Mrs. Clair, to adopt the revised Honor Roll Policy at Wolcott High School as presented by the Wolcott High School Student Government’s Policy Committee.

So voted.

Revise Policy/Regulation #6146 – Initial Vote:

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Mrs. Clair, to adopt on initial vote the following revised policy and regulation:

#6146 Instruction – Graduation Requirements

So voted.

Adopt the 2015-2016 School Handbooks:

Motion: by Mrs. Gubitosi, seconded by Mrs. Lumia, to approve on initial vote the 2015-2016 Handbooks as follows:

The Elementary Schools Parents/Guardians Handbook
Tyrrell Middle School Student Handbook
Wolcott High School Student Handbook

So voted.

Time for the Public:

No one came forward.

Items for the Next Agenda:

Final vote on the Policy/Regulation #6146 and the 2015-2016 School Handbooks. Board members can contact the Board of Education Office if you have additional agenda items.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion: by Mrs. Lumia, seconded by Ms. DelBuono, to go into Executive Session for discussion of collective bargaining contracts for non-certified employees, and discussion of the Superintendent of Schools contract.

Motion: by Ms. DelBuono, seconded by Mrs. Lumia, to come out of Executive Session and reconvene the regular meeting at 9:15 p.m. So voted.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion: by Mr. Buzzelli, seconded by Mrs. Mancini, to adjourn the regular meeting at 9:16 p.m. So voted.