

Board of Education

REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, December 4, 2014 – 6:30 p.m.

Waterbury Arts Magnet School, 16 South Elm Street, Waterbury, CT

AGENDA

- 1. *Silent Prayer***
- 2. *Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag***
- 3. *Roll Call***
- 4. *Communications***
- 5. *Public Addresses the Board:*** All speakers are encouraged to submit prepared written statements to the Commissioners. Comments shall be limited to a maximum of five minutes. The Chairman will disallow a speaker from continuing to speak if slanderous or defamatory remarks are made. There will be no responses this evening to any questions or concerns raised; they will be referred to the Administration for review and response.
- 6. *Superintendent's Announcements***
- 7. *President's Comments***
- 8. *Consent Calendar***
 - 8.1 *Committee of the Whole:* Request approval to partner with the CT Lion's Club for their Pediatric Eye Screening Program.
 - 8.2 *Committee on Finance:* Request approval of an agreement with Avon Valley show Stables, LLC to provide equine and barn related prevocational services.
 - 8.3 *Committee on Building:* Request acceptance of the Enlightenment School Project as complete.
 - 8.4 *Committee on School Personnel:* Request approval of the job specifications for the proposed position of City-wide Registered Behavior Technician.
 - 8.5 *Committee on Curriculum:* Request permission be granted to A. Watkins, WHS, and two chaperones to take 23 students to Miami, Florida from April 6 through 9, 2015 to visit Miami Fashion Mart.
 - 8.6 *Committee on Curriculum:* Request permission be granted to Robert Haxhi, WHS, and four chaperones to take 40 students to New York, NY on December 17, 2014 to visit the Metropolitan Museum of Art.
 - 8.7 *Committee on Curriculum:* Request permission be granted to Luanne Capolupo and four chaperones to take 50 students to New York, NY on December 12, 2014 to visit the Museum of Natural History.

- 8.8 *Committee on School Facilities & Grounds:* Use of school facilities by school organizations and/or City departments.
- 8.9 *Committee on School Facilities & Grounds:* Use of school facilities by outside organizations and/or waiver requests.

9. *Items Removed from Consent Calendar*

10. *Committee of the Whole*

- 10.1. Request of Ralph Cantito, Hopeville School, to name their computer lab in honor of Martha Labbe.

11. *Superintendent’s Notification to the Board*

11.1. Athletic appointments effective immediately:

Gray, Ollie III – Head Boys’ Indoor and Outdoor Track Coach, KHS.
 Barbieri, Stephen – Girls’ Junior Varsity Basketball Coach, WCA.

11.2 Grant funded appointments effective immediately:

Angelo, Eileen – Teacher (split), Generali After-school Truancy Program
 Blake, Zita – Substitute, Generali After-school Truancy Program.
 Frenis, Kristen – Recruitment & Placement Coordinator, ECEP, (replacing Melinda Rosado), 35 hours p/week, 12 months, \$15.94 p/hour, non-union with benefits governed by the UPSEU, funded by Title I.
 Gomez, Bridget – Teacher (split), Generali After-school Truancy Program.
 Griffin, Karen – Substitute, Generali After-school Truancy Program.
 Healy, Heather – Teacher (split), Generali After-school Truancy Program
 Hulse, Maria – Parent Liaison, Kingsbury, 30 hours p/week, 180 days, \$15.12 p/hour, non-union with benefits governed by the UPSEU, funded by Title I.
 Pastore Quezada, Paula – Teacher (split), Generali After-school Truancy Program.
 Ruffin, Mardelle – Substitute, Generali After-school Truancy Program.
 Sheetz, Lucia – Substitute, Generali After-school Truancy Program.
 Swanson, Lisa – ELS Instructional Tutor, 15.75 hours p/week for 28 weeks, \$25 p/hour, non-union and without benefits, funded by Alliance Grant.
 Wright, Valerie – Substitute, Generali After-school Truancy Program.

11.3 Edgenuity Afterschool Credit Recovery appointments, salary according to individuals contract, effective immediately:

| | | |
|--------------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Administrator | T,W,R | Raymond Irrera |
| Substitute Admin. | T,W,R (As needed) | Laura Borges |

Edgenuity After-School CR Coordinators

| School | Days | Time | Coordinator |
|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------------|
| WAMS | W R | 3:15-5:15 | Brenda Washington |
| Career Academy | W R | 2:00-4:00 | (vacant as of 11-17-14) |

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| Crosby | T R | 2:00-4:00 | Cassandra Brown |
| Enlightenment | T R | 2:00-4:00 | Gail Moriarty |
| Kennedy | W R | 2:00-4:00 | Mike Conway |
| State Street | T R | 2:00-4:00 | Nancee Luciano |
| Wilby | T R | 2:00-4:00 | Anthony D'Agostino |

11.4 Extended School Hours (ESH) Program Appointments, salary according to individual's contract:

| School | Name | | Assignment |
|-------------------|----------|-------------|-------------------------------|
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| | Lawson | Denise | Teacher |
| | Montes | Michelle | Substitute |
| | Rebenske | Jessica | Substitute |
| | Traver | Melissa | Clerical |
| | Nolan | Joan | Clerical |
| | Lawson | Doreen | Teacher |
| Walsh | Foote | Andre | Teacher |
| Wilson | Vensel | Katie | 1 st grade Teacher |
| | Nelson | Marisa | 2 nd grade Teacher |
| | Reyes | Maximillian | Paraprofessional |
| | Orsatti | Donna | Secretary |
| | Geci | Rayae | Substitute |

11.5 Adult Education appointments:

Corcoran, John – Substitute as needed @ \$32.00 p/hr.

Lawlor, Brian – Substitute as needed @ \$24.00 per hour.

11.6 Resignations:

Frank, Elizabeth – Sprague Kindergarten, effective 11/12/14.

Galpin-Barker, Letitia – Duggan grade 3, effective 11/19/14.

11.7 Leave of absence requests:

Tolly, Biana – WMS grade 8 Science, requesting an unpaid childrearing leave of absence from approximately 5/22/15 through the end of the 2014/15 school year.

11.8 Walsh School's Afterschool Program teacher appointments, 15-20 hours per week, salary per MOU, funded by Turnaround Funds, effective immediately:

Administrator: Jennifer Calabrese

Sub Administrators: Ellen Paolino, Dawn Biolo

Teachers:

Courtney Smith

Jamie Razz

Matthew Wallace

Talisha DeGroate

Samantha Swartz

Allyson Bilbrough

Jane Natoli

Sub Teachers:

Angela Shea

Anthony Ciuffo

Jenna Davino

12. *Unfinished Business of Preceding Meeting Only*

13. *Other Unfinished, New, and Miscellaneous Business*

14. *Executive Session* for discussion concerning the appointment, employment, performance, evaluation, health, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.

15. *Adjournment*

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Waterbury, Connecticut

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Item #8.1

December 4, 2014

To the Board of Education
Waterbury, CT

Ladies and Gentlemen:

With the approval of the Committee of the Whole, the Superintendent of Schools recommends approval for the Waterbury Public Schools to partner with the CT Lion's Club to perform pediatric eye screening.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Kathleen M. Ouellette
Superintendent of Schools

Approved:

Karen E. Harvey

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Waterbury, Connecticut

COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

Item #8.2

December 4, 2014

To the Board of Education
Waterbury, CT

Ladies and Gentlemen:

With the approval of the Committee on Finance, the Superintendent of Schools recommends approval of an agreement with Avon Valley Show Stables, LLC to provide equine and barn related prevocational services.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Kathleen M. Ouellette
Superintendent of Schools

Approved:

Jason Van Stone

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Waterbury, Connecticut

COMMITTEE ON BUILDING

Item 8.3

December 4, 2014

To the Board of Education
Waterbury, CT

Ladies and Gentlemen:

With the approval of the Committee on Building, the Superintendent of Schools recommends approval of the acceptance of the Enlightenment School Project, State Project #151-0263 RNV/E, as complete.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Kathleen M. Ouellette
Superintendent of Schools

Approved:

Jason Van Stone

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Waterbury, Connecticut

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL PERSONNEL

Item #8.4

December 4, 2014

To the Board of Education
Waterbury, CT

Ladies and Gentlemen:

With the approval of the Committee on School Personnel, the Superintendent of Schools recommends approval of the job specifications for, and new position of, Registered Behavior Technician, as attached.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Kathleen M. Ouellette
Superintendent of Schools

Approved:

Jason Van Stone

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Waterbury, Connecticut

COMMITTEE ON CURRICULUM

Item #8.5

December 4, 2014

To the Board of Education
Waterbury, CT

Ladies and Gentlemen:

With the approval of the Committee on Curriculum, the Superintendent of Schools recommends permission be granted to A. Watkins, WHS, and two chaperones to take 23 students to Miami, Florida from April 6 through 9, 2015 to visit Miami Fashion Mart.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Kathleen M. Ouellette
Superintendent of Schools

Approved:

Elizabeth C. Brown

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Waterbury, Connecticut

COMMITTEE ON CURRICULUM

Item #8.6

December 4, 2014

To the Board of Education
Waterbury, CT

Ladies and Gentlemen:

With the approval of the Committee on Curriculum, the Superintendent of Schools recommends permission be granted to Robert Haxhi, WHS, and four chaperones to take 40 students to New York, NY on December 17, 2014 to visit the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Kathleen M. Ouellette
Superintendent of Schools

Approved:

Elizabeth C. Brown

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Waterbury, Connecticut

COMMITTEE ON CURRICULUM

Item #8.7

December 4, 2014

To the Board of Education
Waterbury, CT

Ladies and Gentlemen:

With the approval of the Committee on Curriculum, the Superintendent of Schools recommends permission be granted to Luanne Capolupo and four chaperones to take 50 students to New York, NY on December 12, 2014 to visit the Museum of Natural History.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Kathleen M. Ouellette
Superintendent of Schools

Approved:

Elizabeth C. Brown

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Waterbury, Connecticut

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FACILITIES & GROUNDS

Item #8.8

December 4, 2014

To the Board of Education
Waterbury, CT

Ladies and Gentlemen:

With the approval of the Committee on School Facilities and Grounds, the Superintendent of Schools recommends approval of the use of school facilities, at no charge, by the following school organizations and/or City departments:

| GROUP | FACILITIES AND DATES/TIMES |
|----------------|--|
| R. Augelli | Washington café: Tues., Dec. 16 th , 5:30-7:00 pm (Family Night) |
| J. Burrus | WAMS atrium: Tues., Dec. 2 nd & 16 th 5:45-8:15 pm (12/2 – prior to Bd. Mtg.) (Grandville Academy meetings) |
| R. O'Neill | Carrington café: Tues., Dec. 9 th , 5:45-8:15 pm (Book Club mtg.) Carrington café: Wed., Jan. 14 th , 5:45-8:15 pm (Book Club mtg. (snow date: 1/21/15)) Carrington gym: Tues., Jan. 27 th , 3:30-9:00 pm (Family Night) Carrington café: Thurs., Mar. 19 th , 5:45-8:30 pm (Family Night) (snow date: 3/26/15) |
| T. St. Pierre | Duggan café/gym: Tues., Dec. 16 th , 3:30-6:30 pm (Parent Involvement Night) Duggan café/gym: Thurs., Dec. 4 th , 4:30-6:30 pm (ESL Parent Night) (prior to Bd. Mtg.) |
| M. Vagnini | WAMS atrium: Mon., Dec. 22 nd 4:00-8:00 pm (H.S. Chorus Concert) |
| J. Matthews | Chase café: Sat., Dec. 13 th , 7:00 am-12:30 pm (snow date: 12/20/15) (Breakfast with Santa) |
| A. Solla | Career Academy: Tuesdays, Dec. 16, 2014 thru June 2, 2015, 5:30-6:30 pm (Monthly PTSO meetings) |
| MaryAnn Marold | WAMS café: Tues., Jan. 20 th 3:30-6:00 pm (snow date: 1/21/15) (School Governance Council training) |

Approved:

Respectfully submitted,

Felix M. Rodriguez

Dr. Kathleen M. Ouellette
Superintendent of Schools

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Waterbury, Connecticut

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FACILITIES & GROUNDS

Item #8.9

December 4, 2014

To the Board of Education
Waterbury, CT

Ladies and Gentlemen:

With the approval of the Committee on School Facilities and Grounds, the Superintendent of Schools recommends approval of the use of school facilities by outside organizations and/or waiver requests, subject to fees and insurance as required:

| <u>GROUP</u> | <u>FACILITIES AND DATES/TIMES</u> |
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REQUESTING WAIVERS:

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| P.A.L. Ofc. F. Santopietro | Reed gym: Sundays, Dec. 14th thru April 5 th , 9:00 am -1:00 pm (PAL travel team basketball practice/games) | (\$3360.) |
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MONIES COLLECTED TO DATE: \$ 24,113.00

These activities are completed and have been billed: Nationals, Inc. and CT Dance Theatre

Approved:

Felix M. Rodriguez

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Kathleen M. Ouellette
Superintendent of Schools

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Waterbury, Connecticut

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Item #10.1

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Waterbury, Connecticut

SUPERINTENDENT'S NOTIFICATION TO THE BOARD

Item #11.1

December 4, 2014

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Waterbury, CT

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The Superintendent of Schools notifies the Board of Education of the following athletic appointments effective immediately:

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SUPERINTENDENT'S NOTIFICATION TO THE BOARD

Item #11.2

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Respectfully submitted,

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Superintendent of Schools

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SUPERINTENDENT'S NOTIFICATION TO THE BOARD

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SUPERINTENDENT'S NOTIFICATION TO THE BOARD

Item #11.6

December 4, 2014

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Waterbury, CT

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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Galpin-Barker, Letitia – Duggan grade 3, effective 11/19/14.

Respectfully submitted,

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Superintendent of Schools

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Waterbury, Connecticut

SUPERINTENDENT'S NOTIFICATION TO THE BOARD

Item #11.7

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Superintendent of Schools

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Waterbury, Connecticut

SUPERINTENDENT'S NOTIFICATION TO THE BOARD

Item #11.8

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Waterbury, CT

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Teachers:

Courtney Smith

Jamie Razz

Matthew Wallace

Talisha DeGroate

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Allyson Bilbrough

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