

**WALLINGFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS – TOWN HALL
45 SOUTH MAIN STREET, WALLINGFORD
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2015
7:00 p.m.**

Mission

To inspire through innovative and engaging experiences that lead all learners to pursue and discover their personal best.

Vision

Wallingford Public Schools, in partnership with our families and community, will provide a safe, healthy, and supportive environment that ignites an enduring passion for excellence in every learner, so that each becomes a life-long contributor to the local, national and global communities.

AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER

Mrs. McKay called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Elizabeth Napolitano, Clerk of the Board, called the roll.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

BOLAT, CASTELLI, MARRONE, MCKAY, SHORTELL, VOTTO

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

MENZO, LAVALETTE, VEILLEUX, MANCUSI, WONG, DEPTULA, NAPOLITANO

STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

Isabelle Fazzino, Student Board representative from Sheehan High School, came before the Board to give her report as listed below.

- A freshman orientation was held for Moran middle school students
- Fall sports have begun
- An Open House for parents was held last Thursday
- A College and Career fair will be held on October 6 at Oakdale
- On October 9 Sheehan is holding a blood drive
- PSAT exams will be held on October 14
- German Octoberfest is to take place on October 16

Logan Metzger, Student Board representative from Lyman Hall High School, gave his report.

- There will be College representatives visiting Lyman Hall on October 6-8.
- The marching band played at half time for the UCONN game
- They also went to a Metlife Marching Band competition in New Jersey last weekend
- The Food Truck went to a meeting at CAFE to serve food to the members there.
- The new school sports complex is on schedule
- On October 7 there will be a blood drive

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

Recognition of Staff Members of the Month – Allayne Sundt, Susan Duda

Dr. Menzo explained that the Staff Members of the Month are receiving a gift card from Subway because they are sponsoring this award.

Chris Madancy came forward to say a few nice words about Allayne Sundt. She reported that Allayne helped transition a new teacher last year and this year took over and subbed for a teacher who was out.

Dr. Menzo stated that Susan Duda was one of the first interventionists at the high school level.

Recognition of Students who participated in Invention Convention

Dr. Menzo said we are very fortunate to have such innovative students. He thanked the parents for being so helpful in getting the students to the convention and for being so supportive. He announced that anyone can attend the convention.

He called Karen Ripa before the Board to present certificates to the students who participated in the Invention Convention. Each student explained what their invention was. Students who received the recognition are: Paige Twohill, Jennifer Yoder, Manav Parikh, Travis Karosi, Jessica Morrill, Nicole Dementeyev, Taylor Patton, Grace Furtado, Kayleigh McGovern, Pranav Parikh, Jonathan Porier, Aiden Pelletier, Srivani Agnihotram, Audrey Larson, and Todd Grammatico.

QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION

Chet Miller, came before the Board to explain that a unit from Connecticut was deployed to Kosovo on a humanitarian project to help children change their lives by learning English. The airmen take classes to learn how to instruct the students in English literacy and they take the proficiency test, TOFAL, so that they can go to college or get jobs. The 169th Air Battalion instructs the classes and they raise money to help the students who can't afford the tests. They raise money by making waffles for all the international troops. Post 187 of the American Legion has formed a committee with other organizations in town to be able to collect the supplies needed and ship them to Kosovo. The needs are for waffle mix, syrup, waffle irons, pencils, paper, calculators and composition books.

Dr. Menzo explained that a flyer will be going home with students asking that supplies be donated and brought to the schools so that they can be collected and sent to Kosovo.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: MARRONE, SECOND BY VOTTO

VOTE: Unanimous approval to accept items 7.1 and 7.3-7.21 as listed below.

Approval to Accept Special Board of Education Minutes dated August 24, 2015

Approval to Accept Special Board of Education Minutes dated September 8, 2015

Approval to Accept Special Board of Education Minutes dated September 14, 2015

Approval to Accept Financial Report for June, July and August 2015

Approval to Accept Cafeteria Financial June, July and August 2015

Approval to Accept Proposed Adoption of New Textbook for Grade 12 AP Calculus: *Calculus*

Approval to Accept Proposed Adoption of New H.S. Geometry Unit 1 – Transformations & The Coordinate Plane

Approval to Accept Proposed Adoption of New H.S. Geometry Unit 2 – Congruence, Proof & Constructions

Approval to Accept Proposed Adoption of New H.S. PreCalculus Unit 1 – Angles and Basic Trigonometric Functions

Approval to Accept Proposed Adoption of New H.S. PreCalculus Unit 2 – Graphing

Approval to Accept Proposed Adoption of New H.S. Algebra 2 Unit 1 – Functions & Inverse

Functions

- Approval to Accept Proposed Adoption of New H.S. Algebra 2 Unit 2 – Quadratic Functions
- Approval to Accept GIFT of \$5,000 to Highland Elementary School from the Yalesville-Highland School PTO
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- Approval to Accept GIFT of Gaylord Hospital's assistance with the clinical preparation of the Wallingford Adult Education CNA program in the amount of approximately \$37,000
- Approval to Accept GIFT of Masonicare Health Center's assistance and support of the Wallingford Adult Education CNA program in the amount of approximately \$25,000
- Approval to Accept Proposed Adoption of Revised Policy: Instructional Materials IIA- (now Policy 6161)
- Approval to Accept Proposed Adoption of Revised Policy: Textbook Selection – IIAA (now Policy 6161.1)
- Approval to Accept Proposed Adoption of Revised Policy: Curriculum Development and Adoption – IF – (now Policy 6141)
- Approval to Accept Proposed Adoption of Revised Policy: Curriculum Documents – IFE – (now Policy 6140)

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: MARRONE, SECOND BY SHORTELL

VOTE: Unanimous approval to Accept Board of Education Minutes dated August 24, 2015 with a change on page 3 made by Mr. Bolat

CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Votto reported that Highland School received \$5,000 from the PTO and Yalesville also received \$5,000 from the PTO. He also acknowledged the Gaylord Hospital for assisting with the clinical preparation of the Wallingford Adult Education's Certified Nursing Assistant program at the approximate cost of \$37,000. He went on to thank the Masonicare Health Center for their assistance with the program which cost approximately \$25,000.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A.C.E.S. Representative

Mrs. Castelli reported she attended the meeting on September 10th. There was the annual recognition of students and staff. There was a presentation by an architectural firm to give an estimate about how much it would cost to consolidate the Whitney East, West and North schools into one building on Leeder Hill Road in Hamden. The estimate came in at \$82 million dollars for the purchase of the land and the building. The state reimbursement is 80% therefore, ACES would be responsible for 16.5 million with a move in date of 2018-2019 school year. The new building will have room for expansion also. ACES will either sell, lease or re-envision the old buildings. She said the budget is in deficit and they kept the tuition costs with no increase.

Sal explained that at the next meeting on October 8th there will be discussion about the State Board of Education Strategic Planning. ACES Governing Board will take topics and suggestions from Board of Education members in the state. He suggested that Board members give Mrs. Castelli the information so that she can take it back to the Governing Board. He stated at the next SCASA meeting the Superintendents will also participate in a focus group.

Wintergreen Magnet School Steering Committee

Mr. Votto stated that the first meeting of this year will be on Wednesday.

School to Career Representative/BusinessThinkTank

Dr. Menzo reported that the meeting was held a couple of weeks ago and was well attended. He stated that there was a Capstone update. He announced that the next meeting is in November.

Mr. Bolat added that there was discussion about the intern program.

PTAC Update

Dr. Menzo reported the PTAC meeting was about three and a half hours long since there was discussion about a number of topics. He said he is happy to report that many more parents are participating. He reported that they are welcoming Walkthroughs to assess the school community.

Lyman Hall Athletic Complex Improvement Committee

Mr. Deptula reported they are still on schedule. He stated that the paving should be done this week but only if it doesn't rain.

Plan of Conservation Development

Mr. Bolat reported there was an Open House where the public could see the work on all four projects and they were able to vote where the focus should be. One suggestion was to improve the Community Lake area.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business brought before the Board.

INSTRUCTIONAL COMMITTEE

Presentation of Annual Report for 2014-2015

Dr. Menzo stated that the Annual Report will be added to the website for the community to see. He thanked all the department heads for their hard work helping to put this together. Mr. Shortell suggested adding the grants, an enrollment piece and a staff graph.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Report on Operations Committee meeting

Mr. Bolat said at the Operations Committee meeting there was a review of the minutes and there was consent on the financial reports.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no new business brought before the Board.

ADMINISTRATION

Dr. Menzo gave his Administrative Report as listed below.

- He announced that the Staff Member of the Month recipients also received a Subway Gift card.
- E.C. Stevens received a Walmart gift card for \$100
- A new flag was received from Jim Seichter for the flagpole in front of Central Office
- Two backpacks that were filled with school supplies were presented to Yalesville School from

Samantha Hewston

- Last Thursday, 16 seventh grade Capstone students (now 24) met at 7:00 a.m. at HUBCAP to begin a two year commitment
- There is an opportunity to get Maker spacers from a company for Dag and Moran.
- Saturday night he watched the Marching Band Competition
- Next Saturday, October 10th he will watch the Lyman Hall Marching Band competition
- Celebrate Wallingford is next weekend and there will be a Wallingford Public School tent and the Food Truck will be there also.
- On October 6th there will be a post high school fair at Oakdale
- On October 27th there will be a PPS Fair at Oakdale

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tuesday, October 13	Instructional Committee	Board Conference Room	6:00 p.m.
Monday, October 19	Operations Committee	Board Conference Room	6:00 p.m.
	Instructional Committee	immediately following	

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday, October 26	Board of Education	Town Council Chambers	7:00 p.m.
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ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. McKay adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

Secretary

Mike Votto