

**WALLINGFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION
 DRAMA/LECTURE ROOM
 MARK T. SHEEHAN HIGH SCHOOL
 142 HOPE HILL ROAD, WALLINGFORD
 November 19, 2012**

Mission: *To inspire, educate and support all students as they discover and pursue their personal best.*

Vision: *Wallingford Public Schools, with families and community, will distinguish itself with innovative teaching and learning experiences in a safe and supportive environment. Our goal is to ignite passion for learning and excellence in every student so that each becomes a life-long contributor to the local and global communities.*

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Roxane McKay at 7:06 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

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

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

**BROODER, CASTELLI, MANSFIELD, MARRONE, MCKAY, MILLER, REYNOLDS,
 VOTTO**

Cei was absent due to business meeting

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

MENZO, COHN, GUARINO, DEPTULA, MANCUSI, WINTERS, NAPOLITANO

STUDENT-BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

Mackenzie Mendygral, Student Board representative from Sheehan High School, came to the podium to give her report.

- The month of November has been a busy month at Sheehan
- Oakdale High proved how here at Sheehan the amount of pride and sense of community they have – we came together to experience a “remember when” moment. Sheehan students and staff came together and brought the sense of community as we all found our way in the theatre.
- Seniors are more than ever for Powder Puff and prepared for Wednesday.
- Everyone has participated in Spirit Week.
- On November 12th we had a leaf raking for senior citizens that was a huge success and appreciated by everyone.
- Our canned food drive is going well even with the delay because of Sandy and I know my teachers are eager to get the cans in.
- Homecoming was this past Saturday that staff and students enjoyed.
- The Pep Rally will be this Wednesday and it will be a school spirit event.
- This December the National Honor Society will hold a toy drive.
- On December 14th a winter concert will be held.
- Everyone is looking forward to the variety show in December and the blood drive.

Jeff Zakrzewski, Student Board representative from Lyman Hall High School, came Before the Board to give a report.

- Lyman Hall has had a successful first marking period.
- Outreach to the community has been fantastic
- Crews have been working on the Trail of Terror both in setting up and breaking down
- On their day off, we had over 250 students rake leaves for elderly.
- We ran a Haunted Hallways to give elementary students a safe Trick or Treating environment
- We also are currently in the process of collecting cans of food for Holiday for Giving
- We are also collecting supplies to send to a school in Rockaway, New York. We have named the program "Save the Wave" standing for the Wave School in New York.
- We have had three sports teams make States this year – Volleyball, Field Hockey and Boys Soccer team.
- We had 8th graders visit from Dag for a presentation by administrators and a guided tour by our student leaders
- There is an open house scheduled for December 2nd in the Vo-Ag Department
- The Chorus and Band Holiday Concert coming up
- The girls have been practicing for the Powder Puff game on Wednesday and the boys are ready to lead the crowd at the pep rally.
- We have been showing our spirit all week by dressing in pajamas, as superheroes and blue and orange on Wednesday.
- We are ready to defeat Sheehan on Wednesday!

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

RECOGNITION OF LYMAN HALL 2011-2012 GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TEAM AND COACH

Dr. Menzo, Roxane McKay, David Bryant and Amy Labas came to the podium to recognize the students for their achievement. Dr. Menzo presented Dave Bryant, Principal at Lyman Hall, with a plaque and read "American Volleyball Coaches Association honors academic excellence 2011-2012. Team Academic Award to Lyman Hall High School."

Mrs. McKay said the students have successfully found balance between sports and academics. She said they represent Wallingford in a stellar manner when they are away from Wallingford at games.

Dave Bryant called the names of the students and presented them with a certificate and a district pin. The members presented with the award were: Alena Buonocore, Nikki Guilmette, Deanna McWeeney, Cassandra Negron, Sarah LaVoie, Lauren Gaffney, Emily Williams, Breanna Tolla, Melanie Schanke, Amanda Pelletier, Stephanie Napierkowski, Brooke McMahan, Carly Mantie, Kayla Jones, Lauren Manginelli, Allyson Hackett, Jamilee Sawicki, Rebecca Rascati, Deanna Rackie, Kimberly Petit, Hayley Hergott, and Quinn Shields.

RECOGNITION OF TOYOTA PRESENTS OAKDALE THEATRE

Mrs. McKay explained that Sheehan was hit pretty hard during the Hurricane Sandy. Dr. Menzo reached out to Toyota Presents Oakdale Theatre and they stepped up to help. She said Mrs. Duthie should be commended for her organization of the students and it was a collaborative effort with food service, IT, etc. Toyota Presents Oakdale Theatre changed the marquee to welcome Sheehan High School. Mrs. McKay introduced Natalie from the Toyota Presents Oakdale Theatre and presented her with a framed certificate, mugs and a pin. The certificate

read "Certificate of Appreciation presented to Toyota Presents Oakdale Theatre, Wallingford, CT for Collaboration and Cooperation during Hurricane Sandy. Wallingford Public Schools thank you for fostering a climate of mutual respect and understanding among the members of our educational community, November 19, 2012".

Dr. Menzo displayed the huge ticket that Toyota Presents Oakdale Theatre made on the day that the choral group had a performance. A video was shown of the students during the student's time at the Toyota Presents Oakdale Theatre. He also thanked Rosemary Duthie for stepping up. Dr. Menzo explained that documentation will be received from the Toyota Presents Oakdale Theatre for their donation and will be on another agenda to be accepted by the Board. He said the building usually charges over \$15,000 per day but the Toyota Presents Oakdale Theatre submitted to the insurance company at \$4,500 instead.

Natalie stated that it was an honor to have the opportunity to work with the school district. She is new to the Toyota Presents Oakdale Theatre and was happy to market them to the community and form a partnership. She said the staff was amazing to work with and she was amazed to see how they all pulled together.

Dr. Menzo reported that Nick Ives made the video.

QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION

There were no questions brought before the Board.

MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR DISCUSSION OF CANDIDATE TO HEAD COACH POSITION AT 7:55 P.M.

MOTION: VOTTO, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR DISCUSSION OF CANDIDATE TO HEAD COACH POSITION AT 7:55 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

BROODER, CASTELLI, MANSFIELD, MARRONE, MCKAY, MILLER, REYNOLDS, VOTTO

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

MENZO, COHN, GUARINO, WINTERS, MANCUSI, DEPTULA, NAPOLITANO

MOTION TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:00 P.M.

MOTION: VOTTO, SECOND BY CASTELLI

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:00 P.M.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: MARRONE, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval to accept items 7.1-7.15 as listed below.

- Approval to Accept BOE **Minutes** dated October 15, 2012
- Approval to Accept Board of Education **Financial Report** for October 2012
- Approval to Accept Board of Education **Cafeteria Financial Report** for September 2012
- Approval of Proposed Adoption of New Policy – Responsible Use for Students – 6141.321
- Approval of Proposed Adoption of New Regulation – Responsible Use for Students – 6141.321a
- Approval to Accept **GIFT** of 6 Upholstered Office Chairs, 1 Oak Clock, 2 Framed Prints, 2 Plants, and 1 Side Table from Anthem Blue Cross, James Augur, Vice President, Leigus Road, Wallingford to Stevens Elementary School over \$500.
- Approval to Accept **GIFT** of over 100 books to Sheehan High School Library from Elizabeth Napolitano \$750
- Approval to Accept **GIFT** of \$2,698.12 to be used toward technology from Toyota of Wallingford, 869-861 N. Colony Rd., Wallingford \$2,698.12
- Approval to Accept **GIFT** of \$1,000 from Wallingford Wishing Well, 382 N. Cherry St., Ext., Wallingford to Lyman Hall Life Skills Program \$1,000.
- Approval to Accept **GIFT** of \$3,000 from Highland –Yalesville Elementary School PTO to Highland Elementary School \$3,000
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- Approval to Accept Graduation Candidate from Mark T. Sheehan High School Pursuant Completion of all Graduation Requirements.
- Approval to Accept Transfer from Account #100B – Contingency to Account #330B – Prof/Tech Services – Computers \$2,698
- Approval to Accept Titan Football Club 2012 Facility Use Agreement
- Approval to Purchase a Clock System for Mark T. Sheehan High School

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

No items were removed from the Consent Agenda

CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Votto thanked everyone for the donations listed on the consent agenda.
 Mr. Miller recognized the Highland/Yalesville PTO for their donation of \$3,000 to each School.
 Mr. Votto reported that a thank you note was received from Linda Winters for the flowers sent when her mother passed on.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A.C.E.S. Representative

Mrs. Castelli reported that the meeting was cancelled and she has nothing to report.

Wintergreen Magnet School Steering Committee

Mr. Votto said there has been no meeting recently.

Building Committee Representative for Vo-Ag Building Project

Dr. Menzo stated he attended a meeting with Representative Fritz, Representative Muchinsky, Representative Adinolfi, Representative Candelora and Senator Fasano about two weeks ago. He said they discussed ineligible items that amount to \$370,000. CREC is getting information together to develop a motion that will be signed by the representatives to ask the State for approval to get a reimbursement on the ineligible items. This needs to be completed by January 9, 2013.

School to Career Representative

Dr. Menzo reported there is going to be a joint meeting scheduled with the School to Career and the Think Tank.

Diversity in Action Committee Representative

Mrs. McKay reported there hasn't been any meeting recently.

Report from Roof Project Committee Representative

Mr. Deptula reported that the final payment was approved. The architect is going to be coming to finalize Sheehan and Lyman Hall for their roofs.

Dr. Menzo reported that we just updated numbers to the State on the Solar Panels.

Mr. Miller asked if any of the new roofs were damaged during the storm. Mr. Deptula reported that they weren't damaged since they are made for winds up to 90 miles an hour. He announced that the next roof meeting is on next Thursday.

PTAC Update

Dr. Menzo reported the next meeting will take place at 6:00 p.m. on December 3rd right before the Instructional Committee meeting. He explained that there are sub-committees that were formed by the parents. They are Middle School Student Recognition, Uniforms, and Healthy Food Celebrations. He stated that the next meeting on December 3rd will be a meeting where they will discuss the sub-groups, the budget and the Education Connection. He reported that the next issue of the Education Connection will be about parent connections, business connections and international connections.

Lyman Hall Athletic Complex Improvement Committee

Mrs. Castelli reported that she will be reporting on this at the next meeting. At the last Operations Committee meeting there was a presentation but a lot of the Board members were not there. She said if Board members have any questions they can contact her or Amy Labas.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business was brought before the Board.

INSTRUCTIONAL COMMITTEE

APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT OF CANDIDATE TO HEAD COACH POSITION

MOTION: MANSFIELD, SECOND BY MARRONE

VOTE: Unanimous approval that the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following candidate to a head coach position for the 2012-2013 school year, as recommended by the Superintendent of Schools:

Mark T. Sheehan High School

Keith Cargan - (Boys') Swimming

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE

Report on Operations Committee Meeting

Mr. Miller reported that at the last meeting on Tuesday, November 13th there was a review of the Board of Education financial report, review of the cafeteria financial report and a presentation of the Lyman Hall High School Athletic Complex.

Motion to resolve that the Wallingford Board of Education approves as complete and accepts the Dag Hammarskjold Middle School Project #148-0148CV for school purposes

MOTION: BROODER, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval to resolve that the Wallingford Board of Education approves as complete and accepts the Dag Hammarskjold Middle School Project #148-0148CV for school purposes

Motion to resolve that the Wallingford Board of Education approves as complete and accepts the Moran Middle School Project #148-0151CV for school purposes

MOTION: BROODER, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval to resolve that the Wallingford Board of Education approves as complete and accepts the Moran Middle School Project #148-0151CV for school purposes

Motion to resolve that the Wallingford Board of Education approves as complete and accepts the Sheehan High School Project #148-0152CV for school purposes

MOTION: BROODER, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval to resolve that the Wallingford Board of Education approves as complete and accepts the Sheehan High School Project #148-0152CV for school purposes

Motion to resolve that the Wallingford Board of Education approves as complete and accepts the Lyman Hall High School Project #148-0154CV for school purposes

MOTION: BROODER, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval to resolve that the Wallingford Board of Education approves as complete and accepts the Lyman Hall High School Project #148-0154CV for school purposes

Motion to resolve that the Wallingford Board of Education approves as complete and accepts the Stevens Elementary School Project #148-0155CV for school purposes

MOTION: BROODER, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval to resolve that the Wallingford Board of Education approves as complete and accepts the Stevens Elementary School Project #148-0155CV for school purposes

MOTION TO REMOVE ITEMS 13.3, 13.4, 13.7 AND 13.10 FROM THE AGENDA

MOTION: VOTTO, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL TO REMOVE ITEMS 13.3, 13.4, 13.7 AND 13.10 FROM THE AGENDA

13.3 Motion to resolve that the Wallingford Board of Education approves as complete and accepts the Pond Hill Elementary School Project #148-0149CV for school purposes

13.4 Motion to resolve that the Wallingford Board of Education approves as complete and accepts the Rock Hill Elementary School Project #148-0150CV for school purposes

13.7 Motion to resolve that the Wallingford Board of Education approves as complete and accepts the Cook Hill Elementary School Project #148-0153CV for school purposes

13.10 Motion to resolve that the Wallingford Board of Education approves as complete and accepts the Highland Elementary School Project #148-0156CV for school purposes

Approval to Bid for a Design Firm for the Lyman Hall High School Athletic Complex

MOTION: BROODER, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval to Bid for a Design Firm for the Lyman Hall High School Athletic Complex

Approval to Transfer from Account #100B-Contingency to Account # 730B-Replace Instructional Equipment **\$32,023**

MOTION: BROODER, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval to Transfer from Account #100B-Contingency to Account # 730B-Replace Instructional Equipment \$32,023

ADMINISTRATION
ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

Dr. Menzo gave his administrative report as listed below.

- December 4th from 6:00-8:00 at Moses Y. Beach Elementary School – K-5 parents are invited and open to the whole community regarding Common Core State standards, Smart Balance Assessments, and School Performance Index.
- December 4-7th We will be hosting seven middle school and high school students from our sister school in China who will be staying in homes in Hebron and visiting our schools during the day. On Tuesday, December 4th there will be a breakfast meeting and on Friday, December 7th a luncheon at the Cooks Table at 11:00.
- At the Faculty Advisory Council meeting Jim Genova shared protocol to organize the meetings.
- Student Advisory Council has met twice with one of the meetings being a taste testing. The Senior Center director has been invited to the next meeting to help organize a senior prom.
- The first lottery was held to give someone in the district an hour of free time. Dr. Menzo stated that he will be at Highland Elementary School tomorrow in a first grade class. Next week we will hold the lottery for December.
- On November 28th from 6:00-8:00 in the Vo-Ag Community room there will be a Budget Forum for all parents to attend.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday, 11/28/12	Budget Forum – Vo-Ag Community Room	6:00 p.m.
Monday, 12/03/12	System Wide PTAC	6:00 p.m.
Monday, 12/03/12	Instructional Committee	7:00 p.m.
Monday, 12/10/12	Operations Committee	7:00 p.m.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday, 12/17/12 **Board of Education**

Drama/Lecture Room

7:00 p.m.

MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR DISCUSSION CONCERNING STRATEGY AND NEGOTIATIONS WITH RESPECT TO PENDING CLAIMS AND LITIGATION CONCERNING A FORMER EMPLOYEE AT 8:25 P.M.

MOTION: VOTTO, SECOND BY CASTELLI

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION FOR DISCUSSION CONCERNING STRATEGY AND NEGOTIATIONS WITH RESPECT TO PENDING CLAIMS AND LITIGATION CONCERNING A FORMER EMPLOYEE AT 8:25 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

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STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

MENZO, GUARINO

MOTION TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:30 P.M.

MOTION: VOTTO, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:30 P.M.

MOTION TO ACCEPT THE SETTLEMENT FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO A FORMER EMPLOYEE

MOTION: MARRONE, SECOND BY VOTTO

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL TO ACCEPT THE SETTLEMENT FROM THE BOARD OF EDUCATION TO A FORMER EMPLOYEE

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. McKay adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Michael Votto Secretary