

**WALLINGFORD BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
MARK T. SHEEHAN HIGH SCHOOL
142 HOPE HILL ROAD, WALLINGFORD
MONDAY, MARCH 11, 2013**

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

Mrs. McKay, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

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

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

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

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

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

STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

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

- She reported that all Sheehan sports teams have had a successful season and they are all excited to kick off the spring season with multiple practices beginning to start such as lacrosse, softball, baseball and track.
- Many students are trying to prepare themselves for the SATs and AP tests coming up as well as the marking period.
- Sheehan thrives to seek humanity through many different ways such as having blood drives and giving back to donations such as one of Student Councils projects that is in the works. One of them is senior boy's volleyball game where the proceeds will go to MS. We have been putting up posters and selling tickets. Another project is Breast Cancer Awareness Day and Earth Day.
- Also coming up are the Winter Carnival and Talent Show at Sheehan.

Jeff Zakrzewski was not available to give a report from Lyman Hall

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

PRESENTATION BY PATRICE MCCARTHY OF CABE COMMUNICATION AWARD

Patrice McCarthy came to the podium and said we must hold some kind of a record for a Board that has consistently won one or more awards through CABEs Communication contests. She explained the judging process is done objectively by an outside firm. She said Wallingford has won Honorable Mention for the District Calendar and the Education Connection. She commended the Board and said we should be very proud of these accomplishments.

Dr. Menzo thanked Patrice and CABE for the opportunity to attend the Day on the Hill last week.

PRESENTATION BY LOU GOLDEN FROM JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT

Sal explained that Lou was invited to give a presentation update on the China partnership and the next steps for planning. He said Wallingford was selected because it has a very broad-minded thought process about International education. He said this program is both broad and innovative. He stated that together we can move this project forward. He was happy that there was a tremendous turnout of parents and interested students. He explained that there will be 20 Wallingford students and 20 Chinese students. They will be going to the stock exchange in New York, Lake Compounce, and ESPN. He reported that they are planning on going to Shanghai in 2014.

Dr. Menzo reported there will be a collaboration of two teachers in Wallingford and the teachers in Shanghai using social networks to communicate with the students in both countries.

Mrs. Mansfield requested that there be a discussion about safeguards sometime.

RECOGNITION OF BOARD MEMBER APPRECIATION MONTH

Dr. Menzo reported that it is Board Member Appreciation month and there are books being donated to elementary school libraries in each Board members name. He thanked the Board for all that they do.

QUESTION AND ANSWER SESSION

There were no questions brought before the Board.

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: MARRONE, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval to accept items 7.1-7.10 as listed below.

Approval to Accept BOE **Minutes** dated February 25, 2013
Approval to Accept Special BOE **Minutes** dated March 7, 2013
Approval to Accept Board of Education **Financial Report** for February 2013
Approval to Accept Board of Education **Cafeteria Financial Report** for February 2013
Approval to Accept **GIFT** of 100 embroidered hats to the 21st Century Innovation Team from White Way Cleaners, Frank Marseca, Jr., 27 Hall Avenue, Wallingford \$500
Approval to Accept **GIFT** of Wallingford 100 Street banner for the 21st Century Innovation Team from G & G Beverage, 207 Church St., Wallingford \$500
Approval to Accept **GIFT** of Mindset Posters and Wallingford 100 Flags to 21st Century Innovation Team from Wallingford Youth & Social Services, 6 Fairfield Ave., Wallingford \$500
Approval to Appropriate an Additional \$26,677 for Intercom Upgrades
Approval to Accept Public Educational and Governmental Programming and Education Technology Investment Account (PEGPETIA) Grant - \$154,635.40
Approval to Accept Proposed Adoption of Revised Policy – Responsible Use for Students – 6141.321

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA

There were no items removed from the Consent Agenda.

CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Votto reported that a donation was received in the form of a gift of 100 embroidered hats to the 21st Century Innovation Team from White Way Cleaners; a gift of Wallingford 100 Street banner for the 21st Century Innovation Team from G & G Beverage and a gift of Mindset Posters and Wallingford 100 Flags to 21st Century Innovation Team from Wallingford Youth & Social Services.

Dr. Menzo reported that Wallingford 100 flags are being donated.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A.C.E.S Representative

Mrs. Castelli reported that there will be a meeting this Thursday.

Wintergreen Magnet School Steering Committee

Mr. Votto reported that the last meeting was cancelled but a report was distributed to the Board With updates.

Building Committee Representative for Vo-Ag Building Project

Dr. Menzo reported that they are still waiting for the legislators to make the recommended change.

School to Career Representative

Mr. Miller reported that there was a meeting this morning at 8:00 in the Board conference room. He said there was discussion about the school budget and the China project.

Report from Roof Project Committee Representative

Mr. Marrone reported that the last meeting was cancelled.

PTAC Update

Dr. Menzo reported that there was a meeting last Wednesday where discussion took place about the calendar and the budget. He announced that the next meeting will be on April 8th just before the Operations Committee meeting since we don't get the budget information until April 1st.

Lyman Hall Athletic Complex Improvement Committee

Mr. Deptula said a meeting is being scheduled to meet with two architect firms who put bids in. He said they would know what the dollar amount bids are after that within the next two weeks .

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business brought before the Board.

INSTRUCTIONAL COMMITTEE

APPROVAL OF LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR BRENDA PAGE, WITHOUT PAY AND BENEFITS, FOR THE 2013-2014 SCHOOL YEAR

MOTION: CEI, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval that a *leave of absence for **Brenda Page** for the 2013-2014 school year be approved, without pay and benefits, and in accordance with the provisions of the current teachers' contract.

*The leave is personal and confidential. (**Brenda Page** is on a leave of absence for the current school year and has requested a leave of absence for the 2013-2014 school year.)

APPROVAL OF REVISED 2013-2014 SCHOOL CALENDAR

MOTION: CEI, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval that the Board of Education approve the revised school calendar for the 2013-2014 school year.

APPROVAL OF ACCEPTANCE OF RETIREMENT, WITH REGRET, OF JAMES LYNCH, EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2013

MOTION: CEI, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval that the Board of Education accept, with regret, the retirement of **James Lynch**, effective June 30, 2013.

James Lynch was a social studies teacher at Lyman Hall High School from September, 1969 to June, 1983, taught in the CWEDO Program from September, 1983 to June, 1984, and has been a physical education and social studies teacher in the Alternative Program since August, 1992, to the present, for a total of **thirty-six years** of service in the Wallingford Public Schools.

APPROVAL OF ACCEPTANCE OF RETIREMENT, WITH REGRET, OF ANN LYNCH, EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2013

MOTION: CEI, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval that the Board of Education accept, with regret, the retirement of **Ann Lynch**, effective June 30, 2013.

Ann Lynch has been a special education teacher at the elementary level from December, 1981, to the present, for a total of **thirty-one and one-half years** of service in the Wallingford Public Schools.

APPROVAL OF ACCEPTANCE OF RETIREMENT, WITH REGRET, OF ROSANNE BILODEAU, EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2013

MOTION: CEI, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval that the Board of Education accept, with regret, the retirement of **Rosanne Bilodeau**, effective June 30, 2013.

Rosanne Bilodeau has been a kindergarten and second grade teacher at Highland School from September, 1987, to the present, for a total of **twenty-six years** of service in the Wallingford Public Schools.

APPROVAL OF ACCEPTANCE OF RETIREMENT, WITH REGRET, OF SUSAN CALALUCE, EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2013

MOTION: CEI, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval that the Board of Education accept, with regret, the retirement of **Susan Calaluce**, effective June 30, 2013.

Susan Calaluce has been a special education teacher at the elementary level from August, 1999, to the present, for a total of **fourteen years** of service in the Wallingford Public Schools

APPROVAL OF ACCEPTANCE OF RETIREMENT, WITH REGRET, OF SUSAN DOWNEY, EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2013

MOTION: CEI, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval that the Board of Education accept, with regret, the retirement of **Susan Downey**, effective June 30, 2013.

Susan Downey has been an elementary level interventionist from August, 1996 to November, 2000 and from August, 2003, to the present, for a total of **fourteen years** of service in the Wallingford Public Schools.

APPROVAL OF ACCEPTANCE OF RETIREMENT, WITH REGRET, OF MARGARET FUSCO, EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2013

MOTION: CEI, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval that the Board of Education accept, with regret, the retirement of **Margaret Fusco**, effective June 30, 2013.

Margaret Fusco has been an elementary classroom teacher from August, 1990, to the present, for a total of **twenty-three years** of service in the Wallingford Public Schools.

APPROVAL OF ACCEPTANCE OF RETIREMENT, WITH REGRET, OF NANCY MAYNARD, EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2013

MOTION: CEI, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval that the Board of Education accept, with regret, the retirement of **Nancy Maynard**, effective June 30, 2013.

Nancy Maynard has been an elementary classroom teacher at E.C. Stevens Schools from August, 1988, to the present, for a total of **twenty-five years** of service in the Wallingford Public Schools.

APPROVAL OF ACCEPTANCE OF RETIREMENT, WITH REGRET, OF MAUREEN O'CONNOR, EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2013

MOTION: CEI, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval that the Board of Education accept, with regret, the retirement of **Maureen O'Connor**, effective June 30, 2013.

Maureen O'Connor has been an elementary classroom teacher and an elementary interventionist from November, 1979, to the present, for a total of **thirty-four years** of service in the Wallingford Public Schools.

APPROVAL OF ACCEPTANCE OF RETIREMENT, WITH REGRET, OF CAMILLE GOLOD, EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2013

MOTION: CEI, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval that the Board of Education accept, with regret, the retirement of **Camille Golod**, effective June 30, 2013.

Camille Golod has been a speech-language pathologist at the elementary level from September, 1979, to the present, for a total of **thirty-four years** of service in the Wallingford Public Schools.

APPROVAL OF ACCEPTANCE OF RETIREMENT, WITH REGRET, OF LYNN MULLALLY, EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2013

MOTION: CEI, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval that the Board of Education accept, with regret, the retirement of **Lynn Mullally**, effective June 30, 2013.

Lynn Mullally has been an elementary teacher of the hearing impaired and an elementary classroom teacher from August, 1991, to the present, for a total of **twenty-two years** of service in the Wallingford Public Schools.

APPROVAL OF ACCEPTANCE OF RETIREMENT, WITH REGRET, OF JAMES SYGROVE, EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2013

MOTION: CEI, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval that the Board of Education accept, with regret, the retirement of **James Sygrove**, effective June 30, 2013.

James Sygrove has been a technology education teacher at Moran Middle School from September, 1980, to the present, for a total of **thirty-three years** of service in the Wallingford Public Schools.

APPROVAL OF ACCEPTANCE OF RETIREMENT, WITH REGRET, OF MITZI-ALLEN HARRIS, EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2013

MOTION: CEI, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval that the Board of Education accept, with regret, the retirement of **Mitzi-Allen Harris**, effective June 30, 2013.

Mitzi-Allen Harris has been a special education teacher at Lyman Hall High School from August, 2001, to the present, for a total of **twelve years** of service in the Wallingford Public Schools.

APPROVAL OF ACCEPTANCE OF RETIREMENT, WITH REGRET, OF KAREN CIOSEK, EFFECTIVE JUNE 30, 2013

MOTION: CEI, SECOND BY MILLER

VOTE: Unanimous approval that the Board of Education accept, with regret, the retirement of **Karen Ciosek**, effective June 30, 2013.

Karen Ciosek has been a health/physical education teacher at the elementary and high school levels from August, 1988, to the present, for a total of **twenty-five years** of service in the Wallingford Public Schools.

OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
Report on Operations Committee Meeting

Mr. Brooder reported that the Operations Committee took place previous to this meeting where there was discussion about the Cafeteria financial, the Board financial which shows a \$287,000 surplus, additional funds for the intercom system upgrades, acceptance of a PEGPETIA grant in the amount of \$154,635.40, and approval of the 2013-2014 school calendar.

APPROVAL TO ACCEPT ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT AT HIGHLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROJECT #TMP-148-XDCT

MOTION: BROODER, SECOND BY MARRONE

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL TO ACCEPT ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT AT HIGHLAND ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROJECT #TMP-148-XDCT

APPROVAL TO ACCEPT ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT AT ROCK HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROJECT #TMP-148-TCDM

MOTION: BROODER, SECOND BY MARRONE

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL TO ACCEPT ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT AT ROCK HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROJECT #TMP-148-TCDM

APPROVAL TO ACCEPT ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT AT COOK HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROJECT #TMP-148-BNZJ

MOTION: BROODER, SECOND BY MARRONE

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL TO ACCEPT ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT AT COOK HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROJECT #TMP-148-BNZJ

APPROVAL TO ACCEPT ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT AT MOSES Y. BEACH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROJECT #TMP-148-RPJJ

MOTION: BROODER, SECOND BY MARRONE

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL TO ACCEPT ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT AT MOSES Y. BEACH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROJECT #TMP-148-RPJJ

APPROVAL TO ACCEPT ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT AT POND HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROJECT #TMP-148-RVHV

MOTION: BROODER, SECOND BY MARRONE

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL TO ACCEPT ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT AT POND HILL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROJECT #TMP-148-RVHV

APPROVAL TO ACCEPT ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT AT PARKER FARMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROJECT #TMP-148-KQPG

MOTION: BROODER, SECOND BY MARRONE

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL TO ACCEPT ROOF REPLACEMENT PROJECT AT PARKER FARMS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PROJECT #TMP-148-KQPG

ADMINISTRATION

Administrative Report

Dr. Menzo gave his Administrative report as listed below.

- He thanked everyone who participated in the discussion last week with Carol Dweck
- There will be a Common Core Value discussion and participation to develop the Common Core Values at the Vo-Ag Community Room on March 20th. Tony and Al Terzi will facilitate the meeting where small groups will break out and then cross reference their suggestions. A light supper will be provided from 5:30-6:00 p.m. and the evening will end at 7:30 p.m.
- He announced that the Senior Prom for senior citizens has been rescheduled for April 2nd. This has been a collaborative adventure with the senior citizens and the two high schools. It will be held at the Senior Center from 5:00 to 8:00 p.m. with tables set with half senior citizens and half students from the high schools.
- He shared the 21st Century Innovation Program with the seniors at the Senior Center last week.
- The senior citizens will come next week to Sheehan to see "Annie Get Your Gun" performed by Sheehan students.
- He was at Lyman Hall on Saturday where the Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD) were filming a video doing the *Harlem Shake* for the Connecticut Children's Hospital. He thanked Doreen Dressel.
- He announced that he will be attending the SCASA Awards for Leadership with students from each middle and high school. He said that one of our students received the scholarship that will be awarded also. He said that a student from our district has won the scholarship award 3 out of the 4 years.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monday, 4/1/13

Instructional Committee

Board Conference Room

7:00 p.m.

Monday, 4/8/13

Operations Committee

7:00 p.m.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday, 4/22/13

Board of Education Meeting

Drama/Lecture Room

7:00 p.m.

MOTION TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:50 P.M.

MOTION: MCKAY, SECOND BY MARRONE

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 8:50 P.M.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

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

STAFF MEMBERS IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

MENZO, GUARINO, COHN

MOTION TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:36 P.M.

MOTION: REYNOLDS, SECOND BY VOTTO

VOTE: UNANIMOUS APPROVAL TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 9:36 P.M.

ADJOURNMENT

Mrs. McKay adjourned the meeting at 9:36 p.m.

Mike Votto

Secretary

