

**Regular Board of Education Meeting**  
**Plattekill Elementary School**  
**Wednesday, May 16, 2018**  
**7:00 p.m.**

*Walk-Through Tour*  
*Plattekill Elementary School @ 5:45 p.m.*

*Public Hearing*  
*Plattekill Elementary School @ 6:30 p.m.*

*Members of Girl Scout Troop #60019*  
*performed a fashion show*

1. Public Comment

At 7:11 p.m. the floor was opened for public comment. No comment.

2. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

At 7:12 p.m. the meeting was called to order by President Joseph LoCicero in the Plattekill Elementary All-Purpose Room. A moment of silence was given in memory of retired Board member, Dennis O'Mara.

Members Present

Mrs. Anderson  
Mrs. Crowley  
Mr. LoCicero  
Mr. McCullough [sworn in at 7:16 p.m.]  
Mr. Missale  
Mr. Palen  
Mr. Petrocelli  
Mr. Spencer

Members Absent

Mr. Frisbie  
Mr. Andrew Strobach [Student Board Member]

Also present were Superintendent Castle, Assistant Superintendent Devincenzi and Administrators Adams, Albanese, Anderson, Brown, Hasbrouck, Pantaleone and Salamone.

3. Dedicate Minutes – [5/16/18 Regular Board Meeting]

Mr. Petrocelli moved the Board accept the recommendation of the Board President and dedicate the May 16, 2018 Board of Education Meeting to Mr. Dennis O'Mara.

*Discussion: Mr. Petrocelli thanked Mr. Castle for the letter he wrote regarding Dennis. Mr. Castle mentioned that Dennis served on the Board of Education for 28 years. He was dedicated to the school district. Dennis ensured that all students were provided a variety of learning opportunities in order to prepare them to be college and career ready. Dennis was an outstanding and excellent role model for both adults and students. The Wallkill learning community was fortunate to have him as an acquaintance and friend. His guidance and direction as a Board Member strengthened the bond between the community and the district. Although Dennis will no longer be with us on the sidelines and in the classroom, his legacy will live on! He was the nicest person you could ever meet without a selfish bone in his body. The Buildings and Grounds committee will meet to discuss ideas for a lasting memorial. Mr. LoCicero remembered Dennis as being the first Board member to approach him to wish him luck and to provide advice when needed as a new Board member. Dennis was always at all the sporting events, was a true Wallkill Panther and will be missed. "Dennis, we thank you!"*

Motion seconded by Mr. Spencer and carried 7 - 0.

4. Approve Minutes – [4/18/18 Regular Board Meeting]

Mr. Missale moved the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the minutes of the April 18, 2018, Regular Board of Education Meeting.

Motion seconded by Mr. Spencer and carried 7 - 0.

5. Canvass Vote [5/15/18]

Mr. Spencer moved the Board accept the vote of May 15, 2018, including absentee and contested votes on two propositions and four candidate positions on the Board of Education as follows:

**PROPOSITION I – BUDGET**

441 YES

133 NO

**PROPOSITION II – FACILITIES CAPITAL RESERVE FUND**

423 YES

142 NO

**CANDIDATES:**

<b>Thomas Frisbie</b>	<u>406</u>
<b>Thomas McCullough</b>	<u>361</u>
<b>Steve Missale</b>	<u>394</u>
<b>Donna Crowley</b>	<u>434</u>
<b>David Bartolone</b>	<u>312</u>

Motion seconded by Mr. Palen and carried 7 – 0 [With Thanks].

6. Oath of Allegiance

Kelli Corcoran, District Clerk administered the Oath of Office to new Board Member, **Thomas McCullough** effective May 16, 2018, filling the vacancy of a two-year term seat.

7. Board Committee Reports

**Audit:**

*Mrs. Crowley reported that the Audit Committee has not met since the last Board meeting. The next committee meeting will be on June 4, 2018, at 6:30 p.m., in District Office with external auditors, Nugent and Haeussler to review the required yearly external audit scheduled for July.*

**Budget:**

*Mr. Castle thanked the community for their support of the budget and for the establishment of the Capital Reserve Fund. Mr. Castle also thanked the Board of Education for their support of a fiscally responsible spending plan, which allowed the District to stay within the tax cap, while maintaining and enhancing programs, Mr. Devincenzi for creating a balanced budget and the administration for the work they do to best support our students. Lastly, Mr. Castle thanked the faculty and staff for their dedication to student learning. On behalf of the Board of Education, Mr. LoCicero thanked administration for their hard work and dedication.*

**Buildings & Grounds:**

*Mr. Devincenzi reported that the buildings and grounds committee has not met since the last Board meeting. There was a building walk-through on May 16<sup>th</sup> at Plattekill Elementary School. Mr. Petrocelli commented that he was proud and thankful to Mrs. Hasbrouck, the staff and students for their support in maintaining the greenhouse and the outside gardens at Plattekill. A recommendation to approve two change orders is on the May 16, 2018 Board Agenda. The District received approval from SED for the building of a bathroom facility by the multi-purpose field. A timeline for installation will be reviewed at the next buildings and grounds meeting. A bid opening for the construction of the bathroom facility is scheduled for May 31, 2018. Mr. Castle commented on the approval of a prior capital project that provided for the installation of generators in the buildings, which were put in use due to power outages from the severe weather on May 15, 2018.*

**CDEP:**

Mrs. Anderson reported that the CDEP Committee has not met since the last Board of Education meeting. There are no additional CDEP meetings scheduled for the 2017-2018 school year. Meetings will resume in the 2018-2019 school year.

**Curriculum/TAG:**

Mrs. Anderson reported that the Curriculum/TAG Committee has not met since the last Board of Education meeting. There are no additional CDEP meetings scheduled for the 2017-2018 school year. Meetings will resume in the 2018-2019 school year.

**Health & Safety:**

Mr. Missale reported that the Health & Safety Committee has not met since the last Board of Education meeting. Building safety teams continue to meet on a monthly basis. Safety practices and procedures are being reviewed by the building safety teams at their monthly meetings. The next committee meeting is scheduled for June 4, 2018, at 3:30 p.m., at the high school.

**Legislative:**

Mr. Castle reported that we received \$40,000 of "Bullet Aid" from Senator Bonacic and \$35,000 from Senator Larkin. The monies from Senator Larkin will be used to pay for transportation to our Elementary Summer Learning Academy Program and the \$40,000 from Senator Bonacic will be used to offset expenses for our active learning spaces. Both Senator Larkin and Senator Bonacic are retiring.

**Policy:**

Mr. Palen reported that the Policy Committee met on May 3, 2018. A public hearing was held on May 16, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the code of conducts. There are two (2) policies and one (1) regulation for first reading and six (6) policies for second reading on the May 16, 2018 Board agenda.

**Technology:**

Mr. Spencer reported that the Technology Committee met on April 23, 2018, for the final meeting of 2017-2018. Mr. Salamone provided the committee with an update on the deployment of Chromebooks at the high school for the 2018-2019 school year. Mrs. Herrington shared the results of the software survey and reviewed the timeline and updates to the new technology plan. She also reported on the zSpace lab at the High School. This was the final meeting of the Technology Committee for the 2017-2018 school year. Meetings will resume in the 2018-2019 school year.

**Wellness:**

Mr. Spencer reported that the State approved the specs for the food service bid, which will be opened on May 31, 2018. The recommendation to award the bid will be presented at the June 14<sup>th</sup> Board meeting. Mr. Petrocelli expressed a concern about the variety of school lunch offerings that are served. Mr. Devincenzi commented on current menu choices being offered. The next committee meeting is scheduled for June 12, 2018, at 3:30 pm., at the high school.

**Student Rep:**

Mr. Palen, on behalf of Andrew Strobach reported the following:

- On April 20-22, 2018, high school students participated in a music competition in Philadelphia and placed first or second in every event.
- On April 26, 2018, Mr. Brian Vegliando, Social Studies teacher was given an Excellence in Teaching Award by the Mid-Hudson Study Council.
- On April 27, 2018, less than 200 tickets were sold for prom at Eisenhower Hall; the theme was "A Night in the City."
- On April 30, 2018, sophomores and juniors attended a presentation by Holocaust speakers.
- On May 9, 2018, middle school music teacher, Mr. Kuliszewski filled in for Mrs. Contzius and conducted the instrumental ensemble at the high school concert.
- On May 15, 2018, the high school hosted NYSSMA where Wallkill students competed with other area schools.
- On May 15, 2018, the Budget vote was held at the Wallkill Senior High School, Leptondale Elementary School and Plattekill Elementary School.
- In Sports - Baseball Senior Night on May 16<sup>th</sup>; lacrosse is going to sectionals; track is competing in MHALS on May 19<sup>th</sup>.

8. Consent Agenda

Mr. Spencer moved items 6A through 6L, and 7A through 7C be taken as consent agenda.

Motion seconded by Mrs. Anderson and carried 8 - 0.

Create Position – Non-Instructional – Agenda #6.A.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and create the following non-instructional position for the 2018-2019 school year:

1	0.97 FTE	Part-Time Security Guard
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Approve Resolution – Eliminate Instructional Positions – Agenda #6.B.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the following resolution:

RESOLVED: that one (1) instructional [1.0 FTE] position in the following tenure area shall be eliminated as per the 2018-2019 Wallkill Central School District budget and that the Superintendent shall be directed to advise the least senior person in that tenure area, if applicable.

1	1.0 FTE	Elementary Education
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Approve Appointments – Non-Instructional – Agenda #6.C.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Deborah Elliott** to a 26-Week Probationary Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Registered Nurse position, effective July 1, 2018, at a salary of \$38,500. Ms. Elliott replaces Amanda Winters, who resigned.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **David Tate** to a 26-Week Probationary Part-Time [0.50 FTE] Custodial Worker position, effective May 17, 2018, at a salary of \$14,023 pro-rated [4.0 hours daily, (Grade 11, Step 3, of the CSEA Contract)]. Mr. Tate replaces Roy Vingoe, who resigned.

Approve Child Rearing Leave – Agenda #6.D.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the Child Rearing Leave as requested by **Jenna Medvedev** effective December 2, 2018 through January 25, 2019.

Approve Appointment – 2018 Elementary Summer School Principal – Agenda #6.E.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Anthony White** to the position of 2018 Elementary Summer School Principal at a salary of \$4,000 (includes set-up fee) effective May 17, 2018.

Approve Appointment – 2018 Secondary Summer School Principal – Agenda #6.F.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Brian Masopust** to the position of 2018 Secondary Summer School Principal at a salary of \$7,994 (includes set-up fee) effective May 17, 2018. In the event that a third period is necessary, Mr. Masopust's salary will be \$10,659.

Approve First Readings – Policy & Regulation – Agenda #6.G.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the first reading of the following policies and regulation:

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| 1. Policy #7342        | Graduation Ceremonies                       |
| 2. Regulation # 7342-R | Graduation Ceremonies Regulation            |
| 3. Policy #7400.1      | Wallkill Senior High School Code of Conduct |

Approve Second Readings – Policy – Agenda #6.H.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the second reading of the following policies:

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| 1. Policy #4220 | Administrative Authority During Absence of the Superintendent of Schools |
| 2. Policy #5650 | School Food Service Program (Lunch and Breakfast)                        |
| 3. Policy #5651 | District Wellness Policy   |
| 4. Policy #7500 | Extracurricular Activities   |
| 5. Policy #7502 | Management of Funds  |
| 6. Policy #7520 | Interscholastic Athletics  |

Set Board of Education Meeting Dates – July, August, September 2018 – Agenda #6.I.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and set the following dates for the Reorganization July, Regular August, and Regular September Board of Education Meetings, to be held at 7:00 p.m., in the Wallkill Senior High School.

**Wednesday, July 11, 2018**

**Thursday, August 23, 2018**

**Thursday, September 20, 2018**

Approve Substitutes Lists – Agenda #6.J.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the lists for individuals for teaching and non-teaching substitute positions.

Approve Pre-School Special Education Placements – Agenda #6.K.

The Board approve the placement of Pre-School Special Education students as recommended by the Committee on Special Education in its April minutes.

Approve Special Education Placements – Agenda #6.L.

The Board approve the placement of Special Education students as recommended by the Committee on Special Education in its April minutes.

Approve Use of Facilities – Agenda #7.A.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the Senior High School Multi-Purpose Field and Gymnasium (rain nights only) by **Wallkill Varsity Football** [for a Football Clinic with Wallkill Youth Football] as indicated below:

Monday	June 18, 2018	5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.
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The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the Senior High School Gymnasium (rain nights only) by **Wallkill High School Cheerleading** [for a Cheer Clinic] as indicated below:

Monday & Tuesday	June 25 & 26, 2018	6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
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Accept Treasurer's Report – Agenda #7.B.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education has reviewed and accepts the Treasurer's Reports as of April 30, 2018 and Revenues as of April 30, 2018.

Approve Change Orders – Capital Improvement Project – Agenda #7.C.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the following Change Orders:

**Dean C. Ale Excavation, Inc.:**

GC-01                \$4,828.00

**Boyce Excavating Co., Inc.:**

GC-02                (\$378.82)

9. Public Comment – Agenda #8

At 7:43 p.m. the floor was opened for public comment.

A high school student addressed the board regarding the lunch program at the high school.

10. Executive Session – Agenda #9

At 7:48 p.m. Mr. Spencer moved the Board enter Executive Session to discuss potential litigation.

Motion seconded by Mr. Petrocelli and carried 8 - 0.

The Board reconvened at 8:33 p.m.

11. Close Meeting – Agenda #10

At 8:34 p.m. Mr. Petrocelli moved to adjourn the meeting.

Motion seconded by Mr. Palen and carried 8 - 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelli Corcoran  
District Clerk