

Ms. Sandi Hecht-Garcia discussed her role as the new Prevention Service Provider at the High School and Middle School

Mr. Pantaleone presented on the Proposed Athletes Helping Athletes Program

1. Public Comment - Agenda #1

The book for signing up to speak has been placed in the audience, and each participant will be allowed a maximum of three minutes. At 7:17 p.m. the floor was opened for public comment.

A community member addressed the Board regarding the salary of substitute nurses.

2. Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance - Agenda #2

At 7:20 p.m. the meeting was called to order by President Joseph LoCicero in the Plattekill Elementary All-Purpose Room.

Members Present

Mrs. Anderson
Mrs. Crowley
Mr. Frisbie (*arrived 7:46 p.m.*)
Mr. LoCicero
Mr. McCullough (*left at 8:15 p.m.*)
Mr. Steve Missale
Mr. O'Mara
Mr. Petrocelli
Mr. Spencer
Ms. Natalie Matikiewicz [Student Rep]

Members Absent

Also present were Superintendent Castle, Assistant Superintendents Devincenzi and Herrington, and Administrators Anderson, Becker, Brown, Dart, Earl, Hasbrouck, Pantaleone, Rydell and White.

3. Approve Minutes - [10/15/15 Regular Board Meeting]

Mr. O'Mara moved the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the minutes of the October 15, 2015, Regular Board of Education Meeting.

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

4. Board Committee Reports

Audit:

Mrs. Crowley reported that the next Audit Committee meeting will be held on December 2, 2015, at 6:00 p.m., in the District Office with the internal auditors to review their draft audit report.

Budget:

Mr. McCullough reported that the 2015-2016 Budget Calendar was shared with the Board of Education outlining the dates and timeline for the budget process. Mr. Devincenzi commented that the recommendation to approve the 2015-2016 School Tax Report was on the November 19, 2015 agenda. Mr. Devincenzi also reported that the Tax Levy Cap for 2016-2017 is anticipated to be 0%, which will restrict revenue. Thus, the District's challenge will be to create a budget that continues to support and maintain existing programs. There will be budget workshops in February and March. The proposed 2016-2017 budget will be presented at the April Board meeting and the annual budget vote will be on May 17, 2016. As a reminder, all eligible property owners are due to receive a rebate and the amount they receive will be the total of the rebate amount they received last year in addition to the increase in their 2015-2016 school tax bill due to the District being below the tax levy limit and receiving approval of the Tax Efficiency Plan.

Buildings & Grounds:

Mr. Frisbie reported that the Buildings and Grounds Committee met on November 18, 2015. The Capital Project was approved by the State and a new timeline for the Capital Project was reviewed. In addition, the committee discussed going out to bid in January and anticipates to award the bid at the March 17th Board meeting. The site work is scheduled to begin in May and the indoor work is scheduled to begin at the end of June (security cameras expected to begin in May).

CDEP:

Mr. O'Mara reported that the CDEP Committee has not met since the last Board meeting. The CDEP Committee will meet again on Wednesday, February 24, 2016, at 9:00 a.m. in the High School Auditorium. The CDEP meeting originally scheduled with the Board for May 9, 2016, has now been rescheduled to March 31, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Library/Media Center.

Curriculum/TAG:

Mrs. Anderson reported the Curriculum Committee met on November 9, 2015. Mrs. Herrington discussed the June 2016 Regents examination schedule. Melissa Servant, high school math teacher, and Mike Rydell, high school principal, discussed the need for textbooks in the Ulster County MAT 100 and MAT 105 math courses and recommended a new College Algebra book. The Curriculum Committee agreed to the purchase of this book and thus the recommendation to accept this book, along with the Asi Se Dice Spanish textbook are on the November 19, 2015 agenda. Mrs. Herrington reviewed the NYS Education Department Assessment Committee Invitation. Libbie Werlau provided a TAG update. Programs began on November 10, 2015, with the Owl Prowl activity for SNAP students in Grades 3 and 4. Debra Rosenfeld and Stephen Cabarcas presented on their library redesign projects and related activities. Mrs. Herrington reported that SNAP grade 3-8 students are currently involved in an Interest Based Intensive Project and will present short films of their work in January. The next meeting of the Curriculum Committee will take place on Monday, January 25, 2016. Please note that the Curriculum meeting for April 4, 2016 has now been changed to April 5, 2016 and the meeting scheduled for May 2, 2016 has now been changed to June 6, 2016, if needed.

Legislative:

Mr. Petrocelli introduced Dr. Charles Khoury, District Superintendent for Ulster BOCES who provided the Board with a brief presentation regarding the direction of Ulster BOCES and new programs. Mr. Petrocelli thanked the Ulster BOCES Board for their continued support of the Wallkill Central School District. Mr. Petrocelli also reported that he attended an Ulster County Legislative Committee meeting on November 9, 2015, in New Paltz where the Gap Elimination Adjustment and the Foundation Aid Formula were discussed and how they both have affected the amount of aid being provided to school districts.

Policy:

Mr. O'Mara reported that the Policy Committee, along with the Athletic Code Advisory Committee met at the High School on November 12, 2015, to review our Parent Code and Athletic Code of Conduct, along with codes from other school districts as a comparison. The committee was in agreement that our Athletic Code requires revisions beginning with a new template. The committee consisted of parents, students, coaches and will meet again on January 7, 2016. The next Policy Committee meeting will be held on December 2, 2015, at 6:30 p.m., in the District Office.

Technology:

Mr. McCullough reported that the first Technology Committee meeting of the year was held on Tuesday, October 20, 2015. Thomas Hein, District Technical Services Specialist, presented the features of Microsoft 365. Mrs. Herrington shared the results of the recent district faculty, parent and student technology surveys. The surveys were conducted to reach out to stakeholders and help inform the district in regard to the use of Smart Bond purchases. The Committee discussed the rollout plan for the New York State Education Department Technology Investment Plan, which will tentatively be presented to the Board of Education on January 21, 2016. The next meeting of the Technology Committee will take place on Tuesday, December 1, 2015, at 3:30 p.m. in the High School Library Media Center.

Wellness:

Mr. Spencer reported that the Wellness Committee met on November 16, 2015, at 3:15 p.m. in the High School Library/Media Center. Mr. Devincenzi indicated that the goal of the meeting was to review annual goals surrounding wellness for each building. The High School reported out on wellness events such as blood drives and wellness month events, while the elementary schools focused on creating events for staff and students that involved active and healthy nutritional eating habits. Mr. Devincenzi will be working with Amy Bishopp from ARAMARK to accomplish district-wide wellness goals and the committee is currently in the process of putting together a compilation of wellness events throughout the District in order to create a monthly wellness calendar.

Student Rep:

Natalie Matikiewicz reported the following:

- The guidance department, along with teachers and staff have been a great help to the seniors who are currently going through the college application process. This month, events were organized such as an after school program specifically designed to help seniors with the completion of their college applications and essays, Instant Admission Days, which gave seniors the opportunity to meet with representatives at participating colleges to see if they could receive immediate acceptance and a Financial Aid Night in the high school auditorium on November 17, 2015.
- National Honor Society recently met to discuss upcoming fundraisers and events like the Thanksgiving boxes which will provide a full Thanksgiving meal to underprivileged families. They are also working with the Panther-Cub mentoring program which allows Honor Society students to be paired up with elementary students from Ostrander, Plattekill, and Leptonale. This program allows kids who are in need of a support system to have a mentor that will help bring them comfort and stability.
- On November 12, 2015, the Spanish Honor Society inducted over 30 new members.
- The School Improvement Team (S.I.T.) met on November 18th to discuss the future plan for the academic models of humanities and S.T.E.M. that will be commencing in the high school next year with the incoming freshmen class.
- On November 16th, all high school students attended an assembly showing how dangerous drugs can be. This assembly was very important as it shared the message that drugs can negatively impact not only the health of our students but their futures as well.
- To end the Fall Sports season Abigail Williams represented the Wallkill Senior High School at the New York State Cross Country Championship. Winter sports have begun and on November 16th all winter athletes and their parents attended a mandatory meeting to discuss expectations, concussion protocol and the code of conduct.

5. Consent Agenda

Mr. O'Mara moved items 5A2 through 5M and 6A through 6G be taken as consent agenda.

Motion seconded by Mr. Petrocelli and carried 9 - 0.

Accept Resignation/Retirement – Non-Instructional – Agenda #5.A.2.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Loren Vangelatos** from the position of Part-Time [0.97 FTE] Supervisory Teacher Aide, assigned to the John G. Borden Middle School, effective November 19, 2015, pending her appointment to the position of Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Special Education Teacher Aide.

Approve Appointments – Non-Instructional – Agenda #5.B.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Renee Aberasturi** to a 26-Week Probationary Part-Time [.97 FTE] Special Education Teacher Aide position, assigned to the John G. Borden Middle School, effective November 20, 2015, at a salary of \$10.41 per hour (Step 3 of the CSEA Contract, 5.8 hours per day). Ms. Aberasturi replaces Patricia Mistretta, who was reassigned.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Janice Caparaso** to a 26-Week Probationary Part-Time [.75 FTE] Supervisory Teacher Aide position, assigned to the Plattekill Elementary School, effective November 20, 2015, at a salary of \$10.41 per hour (Step 3 of the CSEA Contract, 4.5 hours per day). Ms. Caparaso replaces Laura Gilberto, who resigned.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Robert Cunningham** to a 26-Week Probationary Full-Time (1.0 FTE) Director of Facilities II position, assigned District-Wide, effective December 1, 2015, according to the Terms and Conditions for Director of Facilities II (attached to the minutes and placed on file with the District Clerk) at a salary of \$75,000 pro-rated, replacing Than Harrington who resigned.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Loren Vangelatos** to a 26-Week Probationary Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Special Education Teacher Aide position, assigned to the Wallkill Senior High School, effective November 20, 2015, at a salary of \$12,991.68 pro-rated [\$10.41 per hour, (6.5 hours per day) Step 3 of the CSEA Contract]. Ms. Vangelatos replaces Eric McCartney, who resigned.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Amanda Winters** to a 26-Week Probationary Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Registered Nurse position, assigned to the Wallkill Senior High School, effective November 23, 2015, at a salary of \$35,000 pro-rated. Ms. Winters replaces Ursula Petricek, who has resigned.

Accept Resignation/Retirement - Instructional – Agenda #5.C.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation for retirement purposes of **Rebecca Punsoni** from the Wallkill Central School District [ESL Teacher], effective December 31, 2015.

Approve Appointment – Instructional – Agenda #5.D.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **David Kelso** to a Permanent Per Diem Substitute Teacher position assigned to the John G. Borden Middle School for the 2015-2016 school year at a rate of \$101.00 per day, effective November 20, 2015.

Approve Appointments – Coaching – Agenda #5.E.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the following appointments for the 2015-2016 school year Winter season:

High School

Vanessa Byrne	Assistant Varsity Gymnastics Coach	\$3,021
Francis Mancuso	Assistant Varsity Track Coach	Unpaid
Kelly Dutka	Assistant Varsity/JV Cheerleading Coach	Unpaid

Accept Resignations – Co-Curricular – Agenda #5.F.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Rory Boice** from the Co-Curricular positions of Winter Weight Lifting Advisor and Spring Weight Lifting Advisor, effective November 4, 2015.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Michael Latino** from the Co-Curricular position of Sophomore Class Advisor, effective November 30, 2015.

Approve New Textbooks – Agenda #5.G.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the purchase of the following new textbooks for the Wallkill Senior High School for the 2015-2016 school year:

Grades 9-11	McGraw-Hill, Asi Se Dice (Levels I, II and III)
Grades 11-12	Pearson Addison Wesley, College Algebra, 3 rd Edition

Approve Substitutes Lists – Agenda #5.H.

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 #5.I.

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

Approve Special Education Placements – Agenda #5.J.

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

Approve Proposed 2017 High School Senior Class Trip – Agenda #5.K.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the proposed Class of 2017 Senior Class Trip to Orlando, FL from April 28, 2017 through May 1, 2017.

Approve Creation of Athletes Helping Athletes (A.H.A.) Club – Agenda #5.L.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the creation of the Athletes Helping Athletes Club at the Wallkill Senior High School.

Approve Create Position – Co-Curricular – Agenda #5.M.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent that the position of Athletes Helping Athletes (A.H.A.) Advisor is hereby created effective November 19, 2015, and the stipend to be paid for said position shall be as provided for in the Memorandum of Agreement with the WTA dated November 10, 2015.

Approve Use of Facilities – Agenda #6.A.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the Leptondale Elementary School Gymnasium by **MPB CYO Girls Basketball** as indicated below:

Mondays and Wednesdays	November 9, 2015 – March 30, 2016	6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
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The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the Plattekill Elementary School Gymnasium by **Wallkill Youth Lacrosse** [for Practice] as indicated below:

Mondays and Thursdays	November 30, 2015 – March 31, 2016	7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
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The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the John G. Borden Middle School Gymnasiums by the **Town of Shawangunk Recreation Program** [for Basketball] as indicated below:

Tuesdays and Thursdays December 1, 2015 – March 1, 2016 6:00 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the John G. Borden Middle School Small & Large Gymnasiums by **MPB CYO Basketball** as indicated below:

Thursdays December 3, 2015 – March 31, 2016 7:45 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the Leptondale Elementary School Gymnasium by **Wallkill Area Little League** [for Practice] as indicated below:

Tuesdays and Thursdays January 5, 2016 – March 31, 2016* 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

*[*Excluding March 22 and 24, 2016]*

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the Senior High School Gymnasium by **MPB CYO Basketball** as indicated below:

Saturday January 16, 2016 12:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the District Athletic Fields [when available] by **Wallkill Area Little League** [for Baseball and Softball] as indicated below:

Weekdays: March 1, 2016 – November 15, 2016 4:00 p.m. to Dusk
Weekends: March 1, 2016 – November 15, 2016 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Accept Treasurer’s Report – Agenda #6.B.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent that the Board of Education has reviewed and accepts the Treasurer's Reports as of October 31, 2015 and Revenues as of October 31, 2015.

Approve Resolution – Employees’ Retirement System – Agenda #6.C.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the following resolution establishing standard workday hours:

BE IT RESOLVED that The Wallkill Central School District, Location code 75102, hereby establishes the following as standard work days for its employees and will report days worked to the New York State and Local Employees’ Retirement System based on the time keeping system or the record of activities maintained and submitted by these members to the clerk of this body:

TITLE	STANDARD WORK DAY (Hrs./day)
Teacher Aide	6.0
Non-Teaching Permanent Per Diem titles	6.0
Registered Nurse	7.5
Licensed Practical Nurse	6.5

The workday of the employees in the above referenced titles may vary from the standard work day depending on the operational needs of the District.

Approve Resolution – Cooperative Bidding – Agenda #6.D.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the Cooperative Bidding Resolution with NY/Island Cooperative Bid (Purchasing Group) for the 2016-2017 school year. This Resolution shall be attached to the minutes and on file with the District Clerk.

Approve School Tax Report – 2015-2016 – Agenda #6.E.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the School Tax Report for the 2015-2016 school year.

Approve Resolution – Inter-Municipal Agreement – Agenda #6.F.

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

BE IT RESOLVED that the Inter-Municipal Agreement between the Town of Shawangunk and the Wallkill Central School District to provide a School Resource Officer in accordance with the terms and agreement of the Inter-Municipal Agreement on file with the District Clerk, is hereby approved.

Approve Resolution – Tax Roll Correction – Agenda #6.G.

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

WHEREAS, Kimberly Chait-Lund (“Owner”) owns taxable real property in the Town of Plattekill identified on the Town of Plattekill tax map as: SBL # 101.2-2-4; and

WHEREAS, the Owner submitted an Application for Corrected Tax Roll for 2015 (“Tax Roll Correction Application”) pursuant to RPTL §554 on or about July 29, 2015; and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Director of Real Property Tax Service approved the Tax Roll Correction Application on or about October 15, 2015 and has recommended the correction of the tax roll and the issuance of a new tax bill for the reasons set forth in a letter bearing that date and the attached documentation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Wallkill Central School District (“District”), pursuant to its authority set forth in RPTL §554[5], hereby authorizes and confirms the following actions:

1. Determines that a clerical error exists for the reasons set forth in the letter dated October 15, 2015 from the Ulster County Director of Real Property Tax Service;
2. Approves the Tax Roll Correction Application;
3. Orders a correction of the 2015-16 Tax Roll of the Wallkill Central School District so that the tax levied on real property identified on the Town of Plattekill tax map as SBL # 101.2-2-4 be reduced from \$8,707.09 to \$2,705.47; and
4. Directs the District’s School Tax Collector to issue a refund in the sum of \$6,001.62 to Corelogic (Bank of America), together with a notice indicating that the Tax Roll Correction Application has been approved.

6. Accept Donation – Agenda #6.H.

Mr. O’Mara moved the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the donation of a washer and dryer (at a value of \$300) from Mr. James Delviscio and Mrs. Lori Martin, 78 Decker Road, Wallkill, NY 12589.

Motion seconded by Mr. Missale and carried 9 - 0. [With Thanks]

7. Accept Retirement – Non-Instructional – Agenda #5.A.1.

Mr. O'Mara moved the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation for retirement purposes of **Charlene Riach** from the position of Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Supervising Nurse Practitioner, assigned District-Wide, effective January 29, 2016.

Motion seconded by Mr. Petrocelli and carried 9 - 0. [With Congratulations]

8. Public Comment – Agenda #7

The book for signing up to speak has been placed in the audience, and each participant will be allowed a maximum of three minutes. At 8:11 p.m. the floor was opened for public comment. No comment.

9. Executive Session – Agenda #8

At 8:12 p.m. Mr. Spencer moved the Board enter Executive Session to review litigation and negotiations.

Motion seconded by Mr. Frisbie and carried 9 - 0.

The Board reconvened at 9:07 p.m.

10. Close Meeting – Agenda #9

At 9:12 p.m. Mr. O'Mara moved to adjourn the meeting.

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

Respectfully submitted,

Kelli Corcoran
District Clerk