

Regular Meeting Board of Education  
Plattekill Elementary School  
Monday, November 19, 2018  
7:00 p.m.

*Chief Ryan, Plattekill Police Department,  
presented on the SPO Program  
at the Plattekill Elementary School*

*Superintendent Kevin Castle honored the Board of  
Education for School Board Recognition Week  
October 22-26, 2018*

1. Public Comment – Agenda #1

At 7:09 p.m. the floor was opened for public comment. No comment.

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

At 7:10 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  
Mr. LoCicero  
Mr. Missale  
Mr. Palen  
Mr. Petrocelli  
Mr. Spencer  
Ms. Kaitlyn Bordone [Student Board Member]

Members Absent

Mr. McCullough

Also present were Superintendent Castle, Assistant Superintendents Devincenzi and Herrington, and Administrators Albanese, Anderson, Harjes, Hasbrouck, Masopust and Salamone.

3. Approve Minutes – [10/18/18 Regular Board Meeting] – Agenda #3

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

Motion seconded by Mr. Frisbie and carried 8 – 0.

4. Board Committee Reports

**Audit:**

*Mrs. Crowley reported that the committee has not met since the last meeting. The next committee meeting will be scheduled once the District receives notification of the draft report from the internal auditors for our risk assessment.*

**Budget:**

*Mrs. Crowley reported that this evening the Board was provided a draft budget calendar for the upcoming budget process. The recommendation to approve the tax warrant is on the November 19<sup>th</sup> Board agenda. Additionally, a summary sheet of the taxes collected has been provided to the Board. Mr. Castle reported that the TRS rate is going down, which will provide savings on*

next year's budget for that budget line. He also indicated the CPI that will be used in the tax cap calculation will most likely be 2% for 2019-2020.

**Buildings & Grounds:**

Mr. Frisbie reported that the Buildings and Grounds Committee has not met since the last meeting. The next committee meeting is scheduled for December 3, 2018, at 7:00 pm, at District Office.

**CDEP:**

Mrs. Anderson reported that the CDEP Committee has not met since the last meeting. The next committee meeting is scheduled for February 6, 2019, from 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. in the High School Auditorium.

**Curriculum/TAG:**

Mrs. Anderson reported that the Curriculum/TAG Committee met on November 13, 2018. Mr. Masopust presented the results from the grades 7-12 summer school program. Many students earned credits and are back on track as a result of attending the program. He also suggested that the summer program consider adding PE and Regents Review sessions in the future. Mrs. Herrington updated the committee on the Active Learning Spaces located in the elementary schools and explained that the district is training both the Kindergarten and PE teachers on how to incorporate active based learning exercises in the lab to assist students in attaining and sustaining pre-reading and math skills. The District will report back on this pilot program in the spring. Also, the District will be working with the physical education department to update the District's Physical Education plan in June 2019. New York State adopted updated mental health regulations this Fall and the district has been working with the principals, teachers, and social workers to ensure that we are meeting the students' needs. A committee will review the elementary regulations and determine what topics we currently address through various programs; where there are gaps, we will utilize additional resources to teach the topics. Mrs. Herrington presented the requirements needed for students to earn the seal of bi-literacy on their diploma. The District will form a committee to further explore this option and will report out to the curriculum committee at a later date. Mrs. Herrington also updated the committee on the District's progress on the implementation of the Next Generation Standards in ELA, Math, and Science. The next committee meeting is scheduled for January 8, 2019, at 6:30 p.m. in the High School Library. Mr. Castle invited the Board to attend Superintendent's Conference Day on November 21<sup>st</sup>, at the high school where an individual from the State will be speaking to faculty and staff on the new mental health regulations followed by a guest speaker who will talk about his inspiring story and embracing life's challenges.

**Health & Safety:**

Mr. Missale reported that the Health & Safety Committee has not met since the last Board meeting. On November 1, 2018, the District performed various emergency drills as part of the County-Wide Emergency Evacuation Drill. In addition, the Building Safety Teams continue to meet on a monthly basis to review the emergency drills performed and discuss emergency procedures. The next committee meeting is scheduled for January 10, 2019 at 3:45 p.m. at District Office. Mr. Castle indicated that Mr. Devincenzi will be speaking to faculty and staff on Superintendent's Conference Day on November 21<sup>st</sup> regarding security measures as well as emphasize the importance of practicing safety drills.

**Legislative:**

Mr. Petrocelli reported on an article from the November issue of On Board regarding the moratorium on APPR, which disconnects student State test results (grades 3-8) from teacher evaluations. NYSED surveyed teachers and administrators to gain feedback how teachers want to be evaluated. Mr. Castle stated the law needs to change before SED can make any changes relating to the State test scores. Mr. Petrocelli also indicated that the next Ulster County School Boards Association Meeting is scheduled for December 5, 2018, at 6:00 p.m., at Ulster BOCES with guest speaker Julie Marlett, NYSBBA Director of Governmental Relations.

**Policy:**

Mr. Palen reported that the Policy Committee has not met since the last Board meeting. There are five (5) policies on the November 19<sup>th</sup> Board agenda for second reading. The next committee meeting is scheduled for December 3, 2018, at 6:30 pm, at District Office.

**Technology:**

Mr. Spencer reported that the Technology Committee has not met since the last Board of Education meeting. The meeting that was scheduled for Monday, November 19, 2018 has been cancelled. The next meeting will be held on Monday, January 7, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. in the High School Library.

**Wellness:**

Mr. Spencer reported that the Wellness Committee has not met since the last Board meeting. The next committee meeting is scheduled for January 8, 2019, at 3:30 p.m., in the High School Library.

**Student Rep:**

Ms. Kaitlyn Bordone reported the following:

- In sports – Boys Varsity Soccer Team made the sectional semi-finals; Girls Varsity Soccer Team are MHAL Champions (Mr. Castle acknowledged Kaitlyn for scoring the game winning goal) and made the sectional semi-finals and Girls Volleyball Team are MHAL Champions and won their sectional semi-final contest;
- The Powder Puff game was held on October 25, 2018, and the Seniors won;
- The S.O.M.E. Variety Show was held on November 1, 2018, and had 15 amazing acts;
- 23 Wallkill students (the most students from the participating districts) performed in the Area All-State Music Festival, which was held at the Wallkill Senior High School on November 17, 2018, with approximately 22 other school districts;
  - Mr. Castle thanked all faculty and staff who made the event a success and commented on the positive feedback received from those who attended.
- The Dennis O'Mara Memorial Library Dedication Ceremony took place on November 8, 2018, at the Ostrander Elementary School;
- The Spanish Honor Society Induction Ceremony also took place on November 8, 2018;
- The Dennis O'Mara memorial corner dedication will reveal a decal on the gym floor where he would always sit and watch games; a video will be shared of student interviews;
  - Mr. Castle confirmed with Athletic Director Brian Masopust that the dedication ceremony will take place on December 7, 2018, at the high school at approximately 6:00 p.m., prior to the Boys Varsity Basketball game.
- Parent/Teacher Conferences will take place on November 20, 2018, prior to our holiday break; a new online system was used by high school and middle school parents to schedule appointments.
  - Mr. Castle recognized Mr. Salamone for introducing the "pickATime" system, which was first discussed during a technology committee meeting. He also acknowledged Mr. Salamone and Ms. Anderson for the implementation of the new system. There was additional conversation on the possibility of implementing the system at the elementary schools.

**5. Consent Agenda**

Mr. Petrocelli moved items 5A through 5K and 6A through 6F be taken as consent agenda.

Motion seconded by Mr Spencer and carried 8 – 0.

**Accept Resignation – Non-Instructional – Agenda #5.A.**

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Roselle Williams** from the position of Part-Time [0.69 FTE] Supervisory Teacher Aide, effective November 19, 2018, pending her appointment to the position of Part -Time [.97 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 **Katie Cowart** to a 26-Week Probationary Full-Time [1.0 FTE] Registered Nurse position, effective November 27, 2018, at a salary of \$34,742 pro-rated (Grade 16, Step 3 of the CSEA Contract). Ms. Cowart replaces Marielle Bautista, who resigned.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Rhiannon Huber Green** to a 26-Week Probationary Part-Time [.97 FTE] Supervisory Teacher Aide position, effective November 20, 2018, at a salary of \$11.10 per hour (Step 3 of the CSEA Contract, 5.8 hours per day). Ms. Huber Green replaces Trisha Richner, who was reassigned.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Carmella O'Donnell** to a 26-Week Probationary Part-Time [.97 FTE] Special Education Teacher Aide position, effective November 20, 2018, at a salary of \$11.60 per hour (Step 3 of the CSEA Contract, 5.8 hours per day). Ms. O'Donnell replaces Marci Parker, who was reassigned.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Roselle Williams** to a 26-Week Probationary Part-Time [.97 FTE] Special Education Teacher Aide position, effective November 20, 2018, at a salary of \$11.60 per hour (Step 3 of the CSEA Contract, 5.8 hours per day). Ms. Williams replaces Lucy Yanchowsky, who resigned.

Accept Retirement/Resignations – Instructional – Agenda #5.C.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Katie Gross** from the position of Permanent Per Diem Substitute Teacher position assigned to the Leptondale Elementary School, effective December 10, 2018, pending her appointment to a Substitute Leave Literacy Teacher.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation for retirement purposes of **Lori Hughes** from the Wallkill Central School District [Home & Careers Teacher], effective January 31, 2019.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Robert Page** from the position of Permanent Per Diem Substitute Teacher position assigned to the Senior High School, effective November 9, 2018.

Approve Substitute Leave Replacements – Agenda #5.D.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Katie Gross** to a Substitute Leave Literacy K-6 Teacher position, assigned to the Leptondale Elementary School for the 2018-2019 school year at a salary of \$54,250 pro-rated (1NMA + 6 credits), effective December 11, 2018 through January 25, 2019. Ms. Gross replaces Jenna Medvedev, who is on a leave of absence from the position of Reading Teacher, effective December 11, 2018 through January 25, 2019.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the appointment of **Paula Klonfas** to a Substitute Leave Spanish 7-12 Teacher position, assigned to the Senior High School for the 2018-2019 school year at a salary of \$54,682 pro-rated (1NMA + 9 credits), effective November 28, 2018 through June 26, 2019. Ms. Klonfas replaces Angie Fiorentino, who is on a leave of absence from the position of Spanish Teacher, effective November 28, 2018 through June 26, 2019.

Approve Appointments – Coaching – Agenda #5.E.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the following appointments for the 2018-2019 school year Winter season:

High School:

<b>LeeAnn Pazoga</b>	Assistant Varsity Gymnastics Coach	\$3,636
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Middle School:

<b>Chris Canosa</b>	Modified Girls Basketball Coach	\$3,008
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Accept Resignation – Co-Curricular – Agenda #5.F.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the resignation of **Christopher Canosa** from the Co-Curricular position of Winter Intramurals Advisor, effective October 22, 2018.

Approve Second Readings – Policy – Agenda #5.G.

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

1. Policy #6190 – Sexual Harassment – Employees – Workplace
2. Policy #7221 – Non-Resident Students
3. Policy #7380 – Academic Intervention Services
4. Policy #7580 – Publications
5. Policy #7604 – Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome and/or Positive Blood Tests to the Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)

Approve New Textbooks – Agenda #5.H.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the purchase of the following new textbooks for the John G. Borden Middle School for the 2018-2019 school year:

Grades 7	Home & Careers	McGraw-Hill, <i>Discovering Life Skills, 2016 Edition</i>
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Approve Substitutes Lists – Agenda #5.I.

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.J.

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.K.

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

Approve Use of Facilities – Agenda #6.A.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the use of the Wallkill Senior High School Gymnasium by the **Hudson Valley Alliance Volleyball Club\*** [for Volleyball practice] as indicated below:

Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Thursdays	December 4, 2018 – May 2, 2019	6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
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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, 2018 and Revenues as of October 31, 2018.

Approve Resolution - Revised DEHIC Trust Agreement – Agenda #6.C.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the following resolution consenting to the adoption of a revised Trust Agreement by the Board of Trustees of the Dutchess Educational Health Insurance Consortium:

**WHEREAS**, Wallkill Central School District is a Participant in the Dutchess Educational Health Insurance Consortium ("DEHIC"); and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Trustees of DEHIC has approved a revised Trust Agreement, to clarify certain provisions in the original Trust Agreement and ensure the continued effective operation of DEHIC.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, due deliberation having been had, **BE IT RESOLVED**:

1. That the Wallkill Central School District hereby agrees to the amendment of the DEHIC Trust Agreement, as proposed by DEHIC's Board of Trustees.
2. That Kevin Castle, Superintendent, be and is hereby authorized to execute the attached Amended Trust Agreement, effective as of January 1, 2019.
3. That a certified copy of this Resolution be prepared and sent, along with the executed Trust Agreement to DEHIC at the following address:

Gleason, Dunn, Walsh & O'Shea  
40 Beaver Street  
Albany, New York 12207  
ATTN: Thomas F. Gleason, Esq.

Approve Resolution – James Filiault – Agenda #6.D.

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

WHEREAS, James Filiault ("Owner") owns taxable real property in the Town of Gardiner identified on the Town of Gardiner tax map as: SBL # 93.3-1-28.310; and

WHEREAS, the Owner submitted an Application for Corrected Tax Roll for 2018 ("Tax Roll Correction Application") pursuant to RPTL §554 on or about October 30, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the Ulster County Director of Real Property Tax Service approved the Tax Roll Correction Application on or about October 30, 2018 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 by the Town Assessor exists for the reasons set forth in the letter dated October 30, 2018 from the Ulster County Director of Real Property Tax Service;
2. Approves the Tax Roll Correction Application;
3. Orders a correction of the 2018-19 Tax Roll of the Wallkill Central School District so that the tax levied on real property identified on the Town of Gardiner tax map as SBL # 93.3-1-28.310 be reduced from \$16,237.44 to \$13,176.29; and
4. Directs the District's School Tax Collector to issue a corrected tax bill in the sum of \$13,176.29 to the Owner, together with a notice indicating that the Tax Roll Correction Application has been approved.

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

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the Cooperative Bidding Resolution with NY/Island Cooperative Bid (Purchasing Group) for the 2019-2020 school year. This Resolution shall be attached to the minutes and on file with the District Clerk.

Approve School Tax Report – 2018-2019 – Agenda #6.F.

The Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and approve the School Tax Report for the 2018-2019 school year.

6. Accept Donation – Agenda #6.G.

Mr. Palen moved the Board accept the recommendation of the Superintendent and accept the donation of \$1,000 from **The Wallkill Lions Club** to be used to pay for the Leo Club Advisor stipend for the 2018-2019 school year.

Motion seconded by Mr. Frisbie and carried 8 – 0. [With Thanks]

7. Public Comment – Agenda #7

At 7:40 p.m. the floor was opened for public comment. No comment.

8. Executive Session – Agenda #8

At 7:41 p.m. Mr. Petrocelli moved the Board enter Executive Session to discuss a current impartial hearing.

Motion seconded by Mrs Anderson and carried 8 – 0.

The Board reconvened at 8:25 p.m.

9. Close Meeting – Agenda #9

At 8:26 p.m. Mr. Palen moved to adjourn the meeting.

Motion seconded by Mr. Frisbie and carried 8 – 0.

Respectfully submitted,

Kelli Corcoran  
District Clerk