

**MISSION STATEMENT
ENSURING CONTINUOUS IMPROVEMENT FOR EACH LEARNER**

The Wells-Ogunquit C.S.D. commits to ensuring that each scholar develops the social, academic, critical and creative thinking skills necessary to meet with success in college, career, citizenship and life. The responsibility for education is shared by student, family, school and community.

MINUTES

The Wells-Ogunquit C.S.D. School Committee held their regular meeting on **October 2, 2013** at **6:00 p.m.** at the Wells High School Auditorium, 200 Sanford Road, Wells.

School Committee members attending included Marc Saulnier, Diana Allen, Cory Thyng, Sarah Tavares and Helena Ackerson. Administrators in attendance included Superintendent Ellen Schneider, Rick Kusturin, Pat Hayden, Ryan Fairchild, Chris Chessie, Jim Daly, Marianne Horne, Jack Molloy, Eileen Sheehy and Cheryl Mills.

Visitors attending included Michael Richards, Reg Bennett, Maryanne Foley, Josh Gould, Zak Harding, David Fazzina, Ann Charlton, Victoria Aldridge, Tim Roche, Dave Barton, Michelle Pease, Laura Bell, Mike Cannon, Chris Jarochoym, Ashley Breton, Cindy Roche, Debra Routhier, and Richard Routhier.

1. Call to Order/Reading of Mission Statement

Chair Saulnier called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. and read the District Mission Statement.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Adjustments to Agenda

None

4. Recognition, education and/or school presentations

None

5. Public Comment

None

- 6. Consideration and approval of minutes of the School Committee meetings held on:**
- a. September 4, 2013
 - b. September 23, 2013

Motion to approve the minutes of September 4 and September 23 as presented

Moved: Diana Allen

Seconded: Sarah Tavares

Vote: 5-0

7. Committee Reports

WHS Building Committee: Helena Ackerson requested that a second School Committee member be added to the Building Committee. The other members agree and this will be brought up at the next Building Committee meeting. Banners, signs and bumper stickers have been distributed and the brochure has been mailed.

Finance Committee: Diana Allen shared that Mike Smith from Unitel came to the meeting to discuss bringing gas to the schools. She stated that there would a cost savings to the district if we decide to go with gas.

Policy Committee: Cory Thyng shared the Policy Committee has not met, but will be meeting later this month to discuss the restraint, bullying and concussion policies.

8. Superintendent's Report

In her Superintendent's Report, Superintendent Schneider

- Outlined the preliminary enrollment numbers for October 1. Sarah would like a breakdown of Ogunquit students.
- Reviewed the professional development agendas from each school for October 3-4, 2013.
- Reminded the Committee about the Annual MSMA Fall Conference scheduled for October 24-25, 2013. In addition to Sarah and Helena attending, Marc also expressed interest.
- Listed the 1st Trimester Intramurals she approved for Wells Junior High School. These include: Linda Gaidimas (Sewing Club), Rachel Kilbride (Sewing Club), Alison Graichen (Jazz Band), Saul Lindauer (Green Team), Matt Coleman (Strategy Gaming Club), Dawn Valente (Math Team), Erin Bartlett (Equestrian Club), Lynn Mercier (Board Games), Bonnie Dill (Little House), Anne Gallo (Math Games), Trisha Winslow (iPad Explore), Gal Bernard (Cooking & Baking Club), Jane Garnsey (Art Club & Nature Drawing).
- Noted she has approved the following individuals to stipend positions: Rachel Graceffa – Student Council (shared position).

- Noted she has approved the following volunteer positions: Chad Daly – WHS Assistant Football Coach and high school students Brandon Cox, Dominic Cline and Grade Hansen – WJHS Drama Production.
- Jim Daly – Wells High School
Jim shared that the high school has had a tremendous start to the year. He said approximately 300 of the 454 students attended the 5 a.m. pep rally on September 13. Jim noted that Kyle O’Brien has been named a national merit semi-finalist.
- Ryan Fairchild – Special Services
Ryan mentioned there are six kids identified in kindergarten. The reason is that kids can be identified as early as three years of age. He said there are currently 160 students identified. He has made several staffing changes at the elementary and junior high schools this year. The high school model did not require any changes.
- Rick Kusturin – Finance
Rick commented on how his colleagues have helped with the recent changes. He said the Groundskeeper position recently added. David Norton was transferred to this position. The Forbes field project will start on October 7 and the irrigation project is under way. The softball and baseball fields are being prepped for next year’s use.
- Reviewed the October calendars submitted by each school.

9. Old Business

- A. 2nd Reading of Policies
 - i. BEA – School Committee Use of Electronic Mail
 - ii. EHB – School Records Retention Policy
 - iii. IJNDB – Student Technology and Internet Use and Cyber Safety
 - iv. IJNDB-E-1 – Technology Home Use Procedures
 - v. IJNDB-R – Student Technology and Internet Use Rules

Helena Ackerson noted there are a couple times “laptop” is still referenced in Policy IJNDB and that it should be changed to “technology”. Said changes will be made.

Motion to approve the listed policies as amended

Moved: Diana Allen

Seconded: Helena Ackerson

Vote: 5-0

10. New Business

- A. Consideration and approval of delegate for the MSBA Annual Delegate Assembly

Move to appoint Marc Saulnier as the 2013-2014 delegate for the MSBA Annual Delegate Assembly

Moved: Diana Allen Seconded: Sarah Tavares Vote: 5-0

- B. Consideration and approval of employment
i. WHS Guidance Counselor – Noel Curcio

Move to accept the Superintendent's recommendation and appoint Noel Curcio to the position of Guidance Counselor

Moved: Diana Allen Seconded: Sarah Tavares Vote: 5-0

11. Adjournment

To adjourn meeting at 6:34 p.m.

Moved: Diana Allen Seconded: Sarah Tavares Vote: 5-0

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen H. Schneider, Secretary
Wells-Ogunquit C.S.D.

Wells High School Building Project Referendum PUBLIC HEARING:

Superintendent Ellen Schneider
Wells High School Principal Jim Daly
Director of Finance Rick Kusturin
WHS Building Committee Co-Chair Zak Harding
WHS Building Committee Co-Chair Josh Gould
Ron Lamarre – Lavallee Brensinger Architects

The above named individuals provided the public with an overview of the proposed Wells High School Building Project. The proposed rehabilitation/construction will go to a public vote on November 5, 2013.

Individuals who chose to speak from the community included:

Mike Cannon expressed his feeling that many people may not know what is going on with this project and wondered what would happen if the vote is no.

Chris Jarochym expressed his feeling that the average citizens do not know the financial impact of this project. He said he is not sure there is a need to redo the school instead of using the money to buy new books.

Dave Barton stated he can see that there is definitely a need to the school to have adaptability; things like boiler and Wi-Fi need to be addressed sooner rather than later.