

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 **September 3, 2014** at **6:30 p.m.** at the Office of the Superintendent of Schools, 1460 Post Road, Wells.

School Committee members attending included Diana Allen, Jason Vennard, David Johnson, David Fazzina, Sarah Tavares and Helena Ackerson. Administrators in attendance included Superintendent Ellen Schneider, Rick Kusturin, Pat Hayden, Ryan Fairchild, Chris Chessie, Jim Daly, Marianne Horne, Ken Spinney, Jack Molloy, Eileen Sheehy and Cheryl Mills.

Visitors attending included Michael Richards, Maryanne Foley, Chris Hayden, Carrie Clawson, Russell Fox, Laura Bell, Marc Saulnier, Jennifer Saulnier and Joe Hardy.

1. Call to Order/Reading of Mission Statement

Interim Chair Allen called the meeting to order at 6:29 p.m. and read the District Mission Statement.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Adjustments to Agenda

Add Item 6. Executive Session to discuss a personnel matter

4. Recognition, education and/or school presentations

None

5. Public Comment

Marc Saulnier asked why we don't have a summer reading program. He would like to see one instituted to increase student's interest in reading.

Joe Hardy asked about the possibility of geothermal for the high school project. Superintendent Schneider said she would provide a brief update under the Building Committee Update.

6. Executive Session

Motion to enter Executive Session at 6:39 p.m. to discuss a personnel matter pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (A)

Moved: Diana Allen

Seconded: Sarah Tavares

Vote: 6-0

The Committee was declared out of Executive Session at 7:12 p.m. by Interim Chair Allen.

There was no action as a result of Executive Session.

7. Consideration and approval of minutes of the School Committee meetings held on:

- a. June 19, 2014
- b. August 5, 2014
- c. August 18, 2014

Motion to approve minutes of June 19, 2014 as presented

Moved: Sarah Tavares

Seconded: Helena Ackerson

Vote: 3-0-3

(Johnson, Vennard & Fazzina abstained)

Motion to approve minutes of August 5, 2014 as presented

Moved: Sarah Tavares

Seconded: David Johnson

Vote: 6-0

Motion to approve minutes of August 18, 2014 as presented

Moved: Sarah Tavares

Seconded: David Johnson

Vote: 6-0

8. Committee Reports

WHS Building Committee: Superintendent Schneider shared the committee met on August 11 to introduce the Clerk of the Works and to discuss the general contractor bid process in which AC Dudley was low bidder and received a notice to proceed; scope of work timeline; and was informed the building project has received all of the necessary permits.

Finance Committee: No Report

Policy Committee: No Report

9. Superintendent's Report

In her Superintendent's Report, Superintendent Schneider

- Noted another successful opening of schools and publicly thanked everyone (the entire district) who had a part in the great opening. She also shared opening day enrollment numbers.

- Outlined summer projects at each of the schools which includes the following:
 - Wells Elementary School had some painting done, exterior doors were repaired and painted, heating system piping union gaskets were replaced, ventilation system air ducts were cleaned and the gym floors were sanded and resurfaced.
 - Wells Junior High School had some painting done including the façade of the original building, single pane windows were replaced with energy efficient windows, boilers were repaired and the ventilation system air ducts were cleaned.
 - Wells High School modified traffic pattern, the boiler and heating system received some repairs and the cottage was brought on line to house the Clerk of the Works.
 - Much field work was completed including irrigation system at Forbes Field, team benches, picnic tables, replacement of grandstand at Warrior Field.
- Reminded committee members about the Delegate Assembly at the MSMA Fall Conference scheduled for October.
- Shared she was recently selected to serve on the Board of Directors for the New England School Development Council (NESDEC).
- Stated MSMA will attend the School Committee workshop scheduled for Monday, September 15 to assist with School Committee goals.
- Notified the committee that she has approved the hiring/transfer of the following individuals:
 - Jacqui Myers – Ed Tech I 5-8 Resource Room (transfer)
 - Judy Gimenez – Ed Tech I K-4 Self-Contained (transfer)
 - Shannon Petrie – Ed Tech II – Special Education
 - Zachary Beisswanger – Ed Tech II – Special Education
 - Catherine Fox – Ed Tech II – Special Education
 - Rachel Stockwell – Grade 7 ELA/Social Studies Teacher (transfer)
 - Cindy Roche – 9-12 Special Education Resource Room Teacher (transfer)
 - Marcus Desveaux – 9-12 Special Education Resource Room Teacher
 - Marilyn Zotos – Grade 6 ELA/Social Studies Teacher (transfer)
 - Sarah Quint – Long Term Sub Grade 5 Teacher
 - Tasha Potter – Long Term Sub Grade 6 ELA/Social Studies Teacher
- Shared she accepted the resignations of Anna Lothrop and Trisha Winslow.
- Noted Cheryl Mills has submitted her intent to retire effective October 17, 2014. The School Committee asked the Superintendent to write a letter of appreciation to Cheryl for her years of service.
- Noted she has approved the following individuals to stipend positions: Karen Mathews – WHS Music Accompanist; Kelsey Lewia – WHS JV Field Hockey Coach; Maureen McEnaney – WJHS Certification Committee Representative; and Linda Gaidimas – WJHS Math Team Leader.

- Highlighted topics in the July edition of *Board and Administrator*.
- Reviewed the September calendars submitted by each school.

10. New Business

A. Consideration and approval of School Committee Chair

Interim Chair Allen called for nominations for Chair.

Jason Vennard nominated Helena Ackerson, Sarah Tavares seconded.

David Fazzina nominated David Johnson, Sarah Tavares seconded.

According to state statute, the vote for Chair requires a ballot vote. Members voted and the results were as follows:

Helena Ackerson – 2 Wells = 552 votes

David Johnson – 1 Wells/3 Ogunquit = 447 votes

The WOCSD By-Laws states that in the event a vote is passed or defeated by a weighted vote, a re-vote must take place within 14 days. Members wished to conduct the re-vote this evening. Members were given the opportunity to discuss the two nominees. Discussion was led around having co-chairs, which the by-laws prevent.

The results of the second vote were as follows:

Helena Ackerson – 3 Wells/1 Ogunquit = 885 votes

David Johnson – 2 Ogunquit = 114 votes

By majority (and weighted) vote, Helena Ackerson was elected Chair.

B. Consideration and approval of Proficiency Based Diploma extension request

Pat Hayden shared information regarding the extension request.

Motion to approve the Proficiency Based Diploma extension request as presented

Moved: David Johnson

Seconded: Jason Vennard

Vote: 6-0

C. Consideration and approval of addition of WHS Junior Varsity Volleyball

Motion to add Junior Varsity Volleyball to the B & C schedule of the WOTA collective bargaining agreement

Moved: Sarah Tavares

Seconded: Helena Ackerson

Vote: 6-0

11. Old Business

None

12. Executive Session

Motion to enter Executive Session at 7:49 p.m. to discuss a legal matter pursuant to 1 M.R.S.A. § 405 (6) (E)

Moved: Sarah Tavares Seconded: David Johnson Vote: 6-0

The Committee was declared out of Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. by Interim Chair Allen.

There was no action as a result of Executive Session.

13. Adjournment

To adjourn meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Moved: Sarah Tavares Seconded: Diana Allen Vote: 6-0

Respectfully submitted,

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