

**WILTON-LYNDEBOROUGH COOPERATIVE  
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING  
Tuesday, December 22, 2015  
Lyndeborough Central School-Multi-Purpose Room  
6:30 p.m.**

Present: *Geoff Brock, Harry Dailey, Matt Ballou, Jim Button, Mary Guild, Fran Bujak, Joyce Fisk, Carol LeBlanc, and Alex LoVerme arrived at 6:32pm.*  
*Superintendent Christine Tyrie, Business Administrator Lise Tucker, and Clerk Kristina Fowler*

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairman Brock called the meeting to order at 6:30pm.

**II. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA**

The following adjustments were made to the agenda, a brief showing of the Videograph of “Great Things Happening in Our Schools”, budget update, the Elementary Building Committee Report was moved up to accommodate Mr. Dailey’s attendance at the Budget Committee meeting at 7:00pm this evening.

**III. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Ms. Jessie Salisbury, reporter noted that she is not being informed by the Principals of activities that are happening at the schools and would like to be.

**• ELEMENTARY BUILDING RENOVATION COMMITTEE**

Mr. Dailey reported that the project is truly nearing the end of completion. There are just a handful of items remaining which will be done over the vacation break such as tiling. Financially we are in good shape and are encumbering \$29,000 to do painting in the 1895 part of FRES. We still may have enough money to potentially replace the bleachers at FRES. Per Ms. Tucker there are no final numbers on cost. Mr. Dailey noted it may have a positive result for the capital improvement plan and we would bring it back to the Board for approval. He believes it is a good investment and that they are in worse shape than the WLC bleachers. We have until the end of June to formally close the books. At LCS, we have not had any “real” cold days to test if the heat has been fixed but they are committed to fixing it. The feedback on the buildings has been extremely positive.

**IV. PRESENTATION**

Superintendent Tyrie showed a Videograph which was done by Ms. Dolores Fox, located on the district websites front page. It is titled “Great Things Happening in Our Schools”. It is embedded with videos and comments from former WLC students. Everyone is encouraged to check it out.

Superintendent Tyrie gave a brief presentation on the Reauthorization of No Child Left Behind Act. No changes will take place until 2017-18. The NH accountability system will be mostly modeled on the PACE schools. Competencies will be assessed through performance assessments and progress will be self-reported to the DOE. Unless there is a change in the NH accountability system, there will be one test given in one elementary grade, one in the middle and one in high in order for the Department to identify focus and priority schools.

**V. BOARD CORRESPONDENCE**

Mr. Brock noted he received a thank you of support to the district from Assistant Principal Sue Ballou.

Board members received a letter from Coach Ken Garnham requesting the coaches at WLC receive increases in stipends on a regular basis.

Mr. Bujak noted he had hoped the language used would have been somewhat different knowing that Mr. Bagley and Superintendent Tyrie did come to the board on behalf of these individuals. He further noted for himself, he doesn't believe anyone has a lack of appreciation for anyone in this system and for how hard they work and parents and community members also support these activities and events. He does not disagree, as for pay we are not on the high end and we should take a look at it.

Mr. Dailey added it was made it very clear last year when Mr. Bagley was looking for increased stipends, they were challenged to come up with a system so we could look at it and have a discussion, we did not dismiss it. We consistently support sporting events.

Mr. LoVerme requested more than salaries be looked at, participation in girls' sports is falling off and we are not drawing new people in.

## **VI. CONSENT AGENDA**

### **a. Reports**

#### **i. Superintendent's Report**

#### **ii. Donation**

The reports have been reviewed by the Board.

Mr. LoVerme questioned if Superintendent Tyrie had any statistics on drug usage in Wilton in which she replied no but there is a Youth Risk Behavior Report.

Mr. Dailey will check with the Chief of Police and Ambulance to see if they can share any statistical data and will forward on.

Mr. Dailey left to join the Budget Committee meeting at 6:58pm.

*A MOTION was made by Mr. LoVerme and SECONDED by Ms. Guild to approve the consent agenda. Voting: all aye; motion carried unanimously.*

## **VII. ACTION ITEMS**

### **a. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting**

*A MOTION was made by Ms. Guild and SECONDED by Ms. Fisk to approve the minutes from December 8, 2015 as amended.*

*Voting: seven ayes; one abstention from Mr. Ballou, motion carried.*

### **b. Quebec Trip-Audra Nolin-Olympia Clark**

Ms. Audra Nolin, French Teacher presented a trip on Quebec, 4 days, three nights for the WLC students to leave the weekend before April vacation. There are 15-20 students interested. She reviewed the itinerary and cost.

Mr. Ballou noted this is a great opportunity for the students. He questioned if they will need passports in which Ms. Nolin replied they highly recommend this but they will accept birth certificates and another form if ID. They recommend a letter on schools letterhead indicating we are sending them. They are still looking into passport cards which are a little cheaper than passports at \$40.00. There is no cost to the district for the trip. There is a "Go Fund Me" account which one of her students has offered to set up for those students who cannot afford it.

*A MOTION was made by Mr. Ballou and SECONDED by Mr. LoVerme to endorse the trip to Quebec. Voting: all aye; motion carried unanimously.*

### **c. Draft Warrants**

The warrants were reviewed; it was decided to remove #8 (to hold school district meeting on Saturday) and put it on the election ballot.

Technology was discussed and Superintendent Tyrie explained that currently all the technology requests are in the budget. There are bandwidth issues at LCS and currently TDS is working on increasing it but there is an associated cost. At WLC there is a need to increase wireless to be more effective and the Tech Committee will be presenting to the Board on January 5.

## **VIII. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **i. Elementary Building Renovation Committee**

See above.

## **IX. RESIGNATIONS/APPOINTMENTS/LEAVES**

### **a. FYI-WLC-David Ruppel**

Superintendent Tyrie reported Mr. David Ruppel was hired as the WLC custodian.

#### **• BUDGET UPDATE**

Superintendent Tyrie reported that Mr. Bagley will present the MS/HS budgets on January 5<sup>th</sup>. The SAU increased \$19,788 due to moving the School Board portions from the schools to the SAU. SPED has increased as well.

Mr. Ballou pointed out that a large increase is due to benefits which are contractually obligated.

#### **• WILTON TAX RATE**

Mr. Brock noted Wilton had two evaluations which drove up the tax rate in Wilton; the first one was in 2010.

Ms. Guild added that on two occasions funds were also used from reserves.

## **X. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no comments to report.

## **XI. NON-PUBLIC SESSION RSA 91-A: 3 II (A)**

*A MOTION was made by Mr. Bujak and SECONDED by Ms. Guild to enter Non-Public Session to discuss a personnel matters RSA 91-A: 3 II (A) at 7:29pm.*

*Voting: all aye; motion carried unanimously.*

## **RETURN TO PUBLIC SESSION**

The Board entered public session at 8:55pm.

*A MOTION was made to seal the non-public session minutes for 50 years by Mr. Dailey and SECONDED by Ms. LeBlanc.*

*Voting: all aye; motion carried unanimously.*

## **XII. ADJOURNMENT**

*A MOTION was made by Mr. Dailey and SECONDED by Mr. Bujak to adjourn the Board meeting at 8:55pm.*

*Voting: all aye; motion carried unanimously.*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Kristina Fowler*