



Agenda

**BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
Monday, November 8, 2021 - 7:30 PM**

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AT
Watertown High School Lecture Hall
324 French Street, Watertown**

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A. Convene

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Roll Call

D. Minutes

Board of Education Meeting – October 25, 2021

E. Report from Student Council Representative – Evan Davidson

F. Superintendent's Recommendations and Report.

1. Appointments (Information Only)

Ms. Dana Barbieri was appointed to the position of Custodian for Watertown Public Schools, with an effective date of Tuesday, October 12, 2021, being paid the hourly rate of \$22.45 (3rd shift), Step 1 of the Custodial contract.

Mr. Michael Barry was appointed to the position of In-School Suspension Monitor for Swift Middle School, with an effective date of Monday, November 1, 2021, being paid at a daily rate of \$138.10.

Mr. Nicolas Buzzelli was appointed to the position of Cross-Country Assistant Coach for Swift Middle School, effective for the 2021-2022 Fall season, being paid the contractual stipend amount of \$1,750.00, Step 3 of the WEA contract.

Ms. Kaycee Correia was appointed to the position of Volleyball Coach for Swift Middle School, effective for the 2021-2022 Fall season, being paid the contractual stipend amount of \$2,517.00, Step 4 of the WEA contract.

Mr. Eric Dietsch was appointed to the position of Boys Soccer Coach for Swift Middle School, effective for the 2021-2022 Fall season, being paid the contractual stipend amount of \$2,895.00, Step 4 of the WEA contract.

Mr. Angelo Gizzi was appointed to the position of Girls Soccer Coach for Swift Middle School, effective for the 2021-2022 Fall season, being paid the contractual stipend amount of \$2,895.00, Step 4 of the WEA contract.

Ms. Andrew Godbout was appointed to the position of Custodian for Watertown Public Schools, with an effective date of Wednesday, October 13, 2021, being paid the hourly rate of \$22.45 (3rd shift), Step 1 of the Custodial contract.

Ms. Belinda Goodman was appointed to the position of Paraprofessional, Category 2/Special Education for Polk Elementary School, with an effective date of Monday, November 15, 2021, being paid the hourly rate of \$15.17, Step 1 of the Paraprofessional Contract.

Ms. Xiomara Guzman was appointed to the position of General Cafeteria Worker for Watertown High School, with an effective date of Monday, November 1, 2021, being paid the hourly rate of \$13.84, Step 1 of the Cafeteria Contract.

Mr. Kristian Kuegler was appointed to the position of Cross-Country Head Coach for Swift Middle School, effective for the 2021-2022 Fall season, being paid the contractual stipend amount of \$2,895.00, Step 4 of the WEA contract.

Ms. Rebecca Longi was appointed to the position of General Cafeteria Worker for Swift Middle School, with an effective date of Monday, November 1, 2021, being paid the hourly rate of \$13.84, Step 1 of the Cafeteria Contract.

Ms. Donna Lorusso was appointed to the position of Long-Term Substitute English Teacher at Watertown High School, with an effective date of Monday, October 18, 2021, and continue until approximately Tuesday, December 14, 2021, being paid the retired teacher rate of \$100.00 per day for the first 10 days. On the eleventh day, the rate will change to \$252.24, Step 3 of the Watertown Education Association's contract of \$46,917.00 prorated.

Ms. Andrea Perrelli was appointed to the position of Kindergarten teacher at John Trumbull Primary School, with an effective date of November 8, 2021, at an annual salary of \$82,947.00. Step 14, MA degree per the Watertown Educational Agreement.

Ms. Fatima Selimovski was appointed to the position of Field Hockey Coach for Swift Middle School, effective for the 2021-2022 Fall season, being paid the contractual stipend amount of \$2,220.00, Step 0 of the WEA contract.

Mr. Mark Southard was appointed to the position of Strength & Conditioning Coach for Watertown High School, effective for the 2021-2022 Fall season, being paid the contractual stipend amount of \$2,873.00, Step 2 of the WEA contract.

2) Resignations-Information Only.

Mr. Gino Faiella from the position of Facilities Manger for Watertown Public Schools, effective November 12, 2021, to accept a position in another school district.

Ms. Anne Marie Walker from the position of School Nurse at Watertown High School, effective October 29,2021 for personal reasons.

Mr. Jeff Turner from the position of Technology Director for Watertown Public Schools, effective January 2022, to accept a position in another school district.

3) Grants – (Information Only)

- 1) The 2021-2022 Federal Consolidated Grant has been completed and submitted to the State Department of Education for approval. The total amount of the Consolidated Grant is \$324,231. This total includes \$6,530.77 for the town's parochial schools. The grant is composed of:

a. Title I, Part A - *Improving Basic Programs Operated by Local Educational Agencies* - \$268,681

b. Title II, Part A - *Teacher and Principal Training and Recruiting Fund* - \$55,550

The grant monies will be applied toward district initiatives in the improvement of instruction and student learning, with a specific emphasis on academic interventions for students.

The grant was written by Lisa M. Fekete, Director of Operations.

- 2) The 2021-2022 Title III, Part A, Subpart 1 - English Language Acquisition and Language Enhancement Grant application has been completed and submitted to the State Department of Education for approval. The total amount of the Title III Grant is \$15,533.

The grant monies will be utilized to offset a portion of the cost for a district English Language Learner Tutor. This tutor provides push-in and pull-out support to English Language Learners across schools, in order to expedite language acquisition and to ensure access to the core curriculum.

The grant was written by Lisa M. Fekete, Director of Operations.

- 3) The 2021-2022 Title IV, Part A, Subpart 1 – Student Support and Academic Enrichment (SSAE) Grant application has been completed and submitted to the State Department of Education for approval. The total amount of the Title IV, Part A Grant is \$17,442. This total includes \$2,050.58 for the town's parochial schools.

The grant monies will be used to 1) provide all students with access to a well-rounded education; 2) improve school conditions for student learning; and 3) improve the use of technology in order to improve the academic achievement and digital literacy of all students.

The grant was written by Lisa M. Fekete, Director of Operations.

G. Virtual Presentation: Special Education Law in the Public Schools.

Ms. Linda Yoder from Shipman & Goodwin, LLP will present the Nuts and Bolts of Special Education and how it impacts Boards of Education.

H. Communications-Secretary.

I. Public Participation - (All speakers must speak into the microphone at the designated podium and identify themselves by name and address as per policy # 9050 Meeting Conduct).

J. Committee Reports:

Curriculum and Instruction Committee, Ms. Cathie Rinaldi, Chair

Policy and Labor Committee, Mr. Jason Malagutti

Budget and Finance Committee, Mr. Robert Makowski

Facilities/PBC/Operations Committee

Governance and Community Engagement Committee, Mr. Robert Makowski, Chair

K. Report from the Board Chair.

L. Action Item – Adoption of item to be Approved by Consent.

- 1) Consideration of the Approval of the Change in Names on the Watertown Public Schools Child Nutrition Program Account

It is recommended that the Board approve of the change in name on the Watertown Public Schools Child Nutrition Program Account, to add Marie Kashuba, Business Manager, effective November 9, 2021.

M. Future Agenda Items and Board Members' Comments.

N. Public Participation - (All speakers must speak into the microphone at the designated podium and identify themselves by name and address as per policy # 9050 Meeting Conduct).

O. Adjourn.