

Agenda

WATERTOWN BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

Watertown High School

324 French Street, Watertown

Lecture Hall

Monday, June 23, 2014 – 7:30 PM

- A. Convene Regular Meeting - 7:30 PM**
- B. Salute to the Flag**
- C. Roll Call**
- D. Award Recognition**

1. Celebration and Recognition of Dr. Thomas Y. McDowell, Interim Superintendent

The Board of Education wishes to mark the occasion of Dr. Thomas Y. McDowell's last regular board meeting as Interim Superintendent with a time of recognition and deep appreciation for his leadership of our district over the past year. Dr. McDowell has excelled in all areas of his superintendency during his all-too-brief time in our district, and leaves a district that is better in every way. His many achievements include bringing the district into state compliance with a new, comprehensive policy manual; leading his administrative team in assuring the district's Common Core, SEED and SBAC initiatives were launched successfully; addressing numerous operational and administrative matters to increase the district's efficiency and effectiveness; leading the effort to assure non-residents are removed from the school district and being a powerful advocate for our children and the hundreds of dedicated employees who work to deliver excellence in our classrooms and throughout every department in our district every day. Dr. McDowell – Tym to all of us – you will be missed and your work will be long remembered and appreciated by this Board of Education. We wish you every happiness as you leave us, and know that we will always be grateful for your service to the children of Watertown.

- 2. March of Dimes - Mindi Davidson would like to share school results and thank the schools who participated in the fundraising activities for the March of Dimes fundraiser.
- 3. The Watertown Board of Education wishes to recognize the 2014 Class Valedictorian and Salutatorian at Watertown High School:
 - Kyle Brown - Class Valedictorian
 - Sarah Carew - Class Salutatorian
- 4. The Watertown Board of Education wishes to recognize Megan Perrin, a senior at Watertown High School, for her athletic accomplishments. Megan won her fourth consecutive Naugatuck Valley League Title in the Women's Javelin throw this May and also won her third consecutive CIAC Class MM Women's Javelin Throw State Championship earlier this month. In addition, Megan won the CIAC State Open Championship in the Women's Javelin Throw this month and won the Council of New England Secondary Schools Principals' Associations (CNESSPA) Championship in the Women's Javelin Throw on Saturday, June 14, 2014.

5. The Watertown Board of Education wishes to recognize Ms. Mary Jane Miller who joined Watertown Public Schools in 1999 and moved to the high school in September 2001. In addition to performing as the World Language Coordinator and teaching all levels of French, Ms. Miller planned and chaperoned at least seven international trips for students. On April 17, 2013, Mary Jane passed away while doing what she loved: showing the local culture and sights of Europe to a group of high school students. Tonight, we officially dedicate the World Language Wing to the memory of Mary Jane Miller.

E. Budget Summary –Information Only – (No Action required)

F. Public Participation (Please state name, address and topic of discussion)

G. Committee Reports:

Curriculum and Instruction Committee, Mr. Ray Nardella, Chair
Policy and Labor Committee, Mr. Eric Berthel, Chair
Budget and Finance Committee, Mr. Eric Berthel, Chair
Facilities/PBC/Operations Committee, Mr. Tom Lambert, Chair
Governance and Community Engagement Committee, Mr. Ray Nardella, Chair

H. Communications - Secretary

I. Minutes

1. Board of Education Regular Meeting – June 09, 2014
2. Special Board Meeting – June 09, 2014

J. Superintendent's Recommendations and Report

1. Appointments – (Information Only)

- a) The following people have been appointed to the Summer School Enrichment Program **Title 1**, for the Watertown School District. The program will run 2.5 hours daily, Monday through Thursday effective, June 30, 2014 through July 23, 2014. Each position will pay a rate of \$35.00 per hour, payable at the end of the program.
 - Erica Armstrong
 - Donna Cincogrono
 - Hannah Collier
 - Sarah Galpin
 - Gale Lawson
 - Robyn Troisi
- b) The following people have been appointed to paraprofessional positions **Session 1**, at John Trumbull Primary School. The program will run three hours daily per contract step effective, June 30, 2014 through July 24, 2014.
 - Lori Bristwistle
 - Yvonne Walsh
- c) The following person has been appointed to the paraprofessional position **Session 2**, at John Trumbull Primary School. The program will run three hours daily per contract step effective, August 4, 2014 through August 15, 2014.

- Lori Bristwistle

2. Resignations - (Information Only)

- a. Ms. Jennifer Mengold from the position of Special Education Teacher at Watertown High School, effective June 24, 2014, to accept another position closer to home.
- b. Ms. Elizabeth Mark from the position of Seventh Grade Science Teacher at Swift Middle School, effective June 30, 2014, for the purpose of retirement.
- c. Mr. Keith Baer from the position of Seventh Grade Science Teacher at Swift Middle School, effective June 24, 2014, for the purpose of retirement.
- d. Ms. Caralyne Reinhardt from the position of Speech & Language Pathologist at Watertown High School, effective July 24, 2014, to accept a position in another school district.
- e. Ms. Lorraine Wilson from the position of Paraprofessional at Watertown High School effective, August 25, 2014, for the purpose of retirement.
- f. Mr. Kyle Culbertson from the position of Band Teacher at Watertown High School effective, June 30, 2014, to accept a position in another school district.
- g. Ms. Gloria Calo from the position of Special Education Teacher at John Trumbull Primary School effective, June 23, 2014, for the purpose of retirement.

K. Report from the Chairman

L. Action Items – Adoption of items to be Approved by Consent

1. Consideration of the Approval of the Safe School Climate Plans for five (5) Schools as Submitted by Building Principles

- a. Consideration of the Approval of John Trumbull Primary School, Safe School Climate Plan.
- b. Consideration of the Approval of Judson Elementary School, Safe School Climate Plan.
- c. Consideration of the Approval of Polk Elementary School, Safe School Climate Plan.
- d. Consideration of the Approval of Swift Middle School, Safe School Climate Plan.
- e. Consideration of the Approval of Watertown High School, Safe School Climate Plan.

2. Consideration to Approve the Proposed Student Activity Fees for Swift Middle School and Watertown High School as Proposed by the Administration

It is recommended that the Board approve of the proposed student activity fees for Swift Middle School and Watertown High School as Proposed by the Administration

M. Future Agenda Items and Board Members' Comments

N. Public Participation (Please state name, address and topic of discussion)

O. Executive Session

1. Discussion regarding the performance and evaluation of the Executive Secretary to the Superintendent of Schools
2. Interview candidate for the position of Assistant Principal at Watertown High School

P. Regular Session

1. Possible Action regarding the appointment of Assistant Principal at Watertown High School

Q. Adjournment