

Agenda

WATERTOWN BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING

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

Monday, October 24, 2011 – 7:30 PM

A. Convene Regular Meeting - 7:30 PM

B. Salute to the Flag

C. Recognition

The Board would like to recognize two Board Members who will be finishing up their term as Board Members and are not seeking re-election.

Ms. Mary Colangelo, 8 years of service
Mr. Kevin Killeen, 6 years of service

The Board thanks them for their service and dedication to the students in the Watertown Public Schools.

D. Report from Student Council Representative – Sage Davino

E. Public Participation

F. Budget Summary – (Information Only – No Action Required)

G. Committee Reports:

1. Student Programs and Services – Mary Colangelo
2. Curriculum and Instruction Committee – Kevin Killeen
3. Policy and Labor Committee – Mary Colangelo
4. Budget, Finance and Operations Committee – Thomas Lambert
5. Facilities/PBC/Operations Committee – Thomas Lambert
6. Governance and Community Engagement Committee – Kevin Killeen

H. Communications - Secretary

I. Minutes

1. Regular Board of Education Meeting – October 11, 2011

J. Superintendent's Recommendations and Report

1. Appointments – (Information Only)

- a.) Mr. Jon Faass to the position of In-School Suspension Facilitator at Watertown High School effective October 11, 2011, being hired on a prorated annual salary of \$24,000, \$132.60 per day, 7 hours per day, benefits under the HSA Plan.
- b.) Ms. Meghan McDermott to the position of In-School Suspension Facilitator at Swift Middle School effective October 24, 2011, being hired on a prorated annual salary of \$24,000, \$132.60 per day, 7 hours per day, benefits under the HSA Plan.
- c.) Ms. Lisa Zembruski to the position of Reading Specialist at Polk School effective November 1, 2011, being hired on an annual contractual salary prorated of \$84,561.00, Step 14, Sixth Year Degree.

2. Three School Project Update – (Information Only)

Administration will present an update on the final phases of the Three School Project.

3. 2011-2012 Federal Consolidated Grant – (Information Only)

The 2011-2012 Federal Consolidated Grant has been completed and submitted to the State Department of Education for approval. The total amount of the Consolidated Grant is \$237,456. This represents an approximate 3% reduction in funds from last year.

The grant monies will be applied toward district initiatives in the improvement of instruction and student learning, with a specific emphasis on improving the performance of our special needs and economically disadvantaged children. The grant was written by Dr. James Collin.

- a. Title 1 (Part A) – *Improving Basic Programs Operated by Local Educational Agencies* - \$125,285
- b. Title II (Part A) – *Teacher and Principal Training and Recruiting* - \$102,915
- c. Title III (Part A) – *English Language Acquisition and Language Enhancement* - \$9,256 (We are applying through a consortium with Education Connection.)

K. **Report from the Chairman**

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

1. Consideration of the Approval of Acceptance of Gifts

- a.) The Rotary Club of Watertown, CT Foundation, would like to donate \$120.00 to the Watertown High School Interact Club.
- b.) The Polk School PTO would like to donate to Polk School a 24 remote SMART response system valued at \$1,999.00.

- c.) The Polk School PTO would like to donate \$4,000.00 to Polk School to be used towards the expense of field trips, \$10.00 per student.

It is recommended that the Board approve of accepting these generous gifts and letters of appreciation to be sent to the donors.

- M. Future Agenda Items and Board Members' Comments**
- N. Public Participation**
- O. Adjournment**