

The W.L. Gilbert School Corporation  
Regular Meeting  
Wednesday, February 21, 2024  
The Gilbert School  
Meeting called to order by Holly Cassaday at 6:30 p.m.

Members Present: Scott Beecher, Holly Cassaday, Ellen Marino, Theresa Padin, Astrid Robitaille, Jared Fritch

Members Absent: Renata Waldron, Shane Centrella (appointed via WBOE, not yet sworn in)

Other Members: Jonathan Morhardt (appointed via WBOE, not yet sworn in)

Administration: Greg Shugrue, Head of Schools

**Public Forum:** none

**Student Report:** James Slauta

- Winter Sports Ending
- Spring Sports Beginning
- Drama Club Rehearsals in full swing
- Evan Schibi- State Champion-Wrestling

**Call for Agenda Items:** None

A motion was made by Ellen Marino, seconded by Jared Fritch, to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting held on February 2, 2024, as presented.

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**Committee Reports:**

Finance- Ellen Marino reported on the 2/21 meeting.

- Audit was reviewed by the Finance Committee- there were no findings and no recommendations.
- Monthly Financials reviewed

Policy- No Meeting to report

Building & Grounds- Scott Beecher reported on the 2/21 meeting

- Roof/Sola update- works begins on/around 4/1/24, should be completed by September 2024
- Review 5 Year plan- HVAC next priority issue (Solar project cover the cost of the roof changes finances, and thus changes the 5 year plan )

Personnel- No meeting to report

**Security Update:**

Next step is for Greg to connect with Bob Geiger. Bob has been out of the office.

## **Second Read of Policies**

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## **Approval of Policies:**

A motion was made by Ellen Marino, seconded by Theresa Padin to approve policy 5112.3 Dropouts, as presented.

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A motion was made by Ellen Marino, seconded by Theresa Padin to approve policy 5118.0 Non-Resident attendance, as presented.

## **Principals Report**

Greg Shugrue presented on behalf of Greg. Deb's notes were forwarded prior the meeting.

- Middle schoolers had a successful 2nd qtr rewards event last week where they played basketball and other games. Middle school valentines dance was a success with about 60 kids attending.
- Our long term sub Scott Macdonald is settling into Mrs Gilley's classes nicely and hasn't missed a beat.
- Our new hall monitor Mr Gordon is doing a great job, has already fostered relationships with students and staff and is a wonderful addition to our team.
- Evan Schibi is the Class L 150# State Wrestling Champion!!!! Our GT wrestlers had a nice showing as a crew at the state tournament, with a few making it to qtr finals and beyond.
- Gilbert wrestlers also won the Berk League wrestling tournament a few weeks ago and senior Maddie Arthur became first ever female Gilbert wrestler who is a BL champ. Kudos to Gilbert Torrington wrestling and Coaches Schibi and Rambo! A tremendous showing in their first year as a co-op!
- Emily Arel is currently #4 on the ALL TIME BL leading girls basketball scoring list only 60 or so points off the #3 spot. Emily was also named 1st team all Berk League this season. Congrats to her!
- Girls basketball was defeated in round one of BL tourney by Regional. States begin next week. Good luck to the girls!
- Spring sports signups are in full swing!
- Financial planning night catered by Mario's was a rousing success, possible by our fafsa challenge grant through the state of CT. We serviced many families with the help from financial aid experts from NCCC and our counselors.
- Counselors are continuing Junior planning meetings in person or via zoom with every student and family. Once finished, they move to 10th, 9th and beyond to pick courses and then we start to build the master schedule for next year after requests are solidified.
- Our new part time middle school counselor, Erica Gauthier, started last week. This position is grant funded through Ed Advance and she was hired in coordination with them. She will be spending three days a week with us and two at Hartland School. She's already begun working with students and is hitting the ground running!
- With 45% of families still not connected through PowerSchool we sent a personalized communication home to ALL of those parents and guardians with directions on how to link to PowerSchool. We will continue to try to outreach to ensure everyone who wants to be connected is linked.
- NEASC work is continuing week to week. Chairs Chris Affie and Kate Rohlfing are leading the charge. Reports are due soon to committees which will later be voted on and submitted to our dashboard prior to the visit.
- Our AP's and social workers went to Hinsdale to do training on crisis management last week. Follow up session is in a few weeks. This will provide a seamless K-12 approach to managing some aspects of crisis management.

## **Head of School Report**

Enrollment: 424 students

Attendance: January 92.41% avg. daily attendance

Mental Health Update: Handout Given

**Discussion and Adoption of the 2024/2025 W. L. Gilbert School Corporation proposed budget.**

A motion was made by Ellen Marino, seconded by Astrid Robitaille to approve the 2024/2025 W. L. Gilbert School Corporation proposed budget, as proposed.

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- Gratitude was expressed to Greg Shugrue, and all others who worked on the budget, for such a detailed, transparent budget.
- Diane Cook, as requested in a previous meeting, reported that there is currently \$360,000.00 in the Capital Reserve Fund. It should be noted that \$180,000.00 is used in the 24/25 budget, so the CR Fund will have \$180,000.00 in it at the end of the 24/25 budget year.

A motion was made by Ellen Marino, seconded by Jared Fritch, to adjourn the meeting at 7:11 p.m.

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**School Counseling Office**  
**Data Tracking Results**  
 SY 2023 - 2024

Action	Number of Students in Each Grade With Number of Unique Students Semester 1 2023-2024							Total Number
	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12	Unique Total	
<b>Drop in</b> <i>Unique # by grade</i>	137 44	141 31	83 31	103 32	107 40	31 16	182	602
<b>Weekly</b> <i>Unique # by grade</i>	99 20	50 10	80 16	45 15	70 13	25 6	76	369
<b>Called DCF</b> <i>Unique # by grade</i>	4 3	1 1	10 6	10 8	8 4		20	33
<b>DCF contact / requested documentation</b> <i>Unique # by grade</i>	11 10	2 2	6 4	4 4	8 5		22	31
<b>Home visit</b> <i>Unique # by grade</i>	2 1		7 3	4 2	5 4	8 5	13	26
<b>Parent interaction</b> <i>Unique # by grade</i>	28 15	6 5	10 5	12 10	20 13	1 1	46	77
<b>Student in crisis</b> <i>Unique # by grade</i>	36 20	33 16	9 4	27 15	24 12	6 5	70	135
<b>Classroom observation</b> <i>Unique # by grade</i>		3 3		2 2			5	5
<b>Teacher consultation</b> <i>Unique # by grade</i>	1 1	4 3	2 2	5 4	6 3	2 2	14	20
<b>Mediation between students</b> <i>Unique # by grade</i>	11 8	11 8		5 3	12 7		26	39
<b>Called 211</b> <i>Unique # by grade</i>				2 2	1 1		3	3
<b>Added 504 student</b>	3	1					4	4

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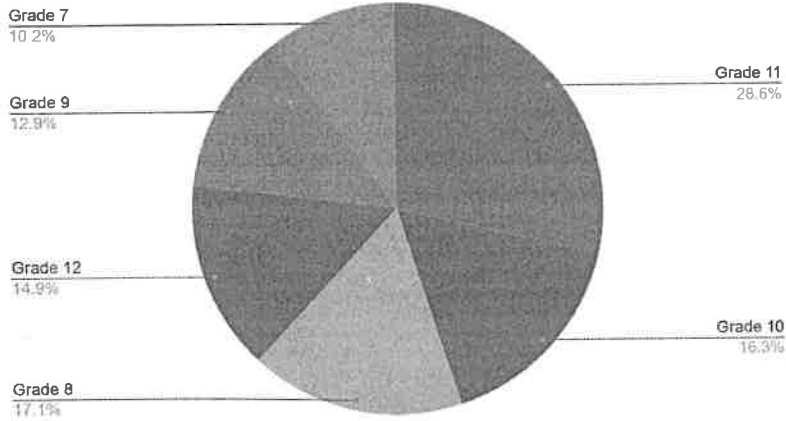
<b>Safety plan created</b> <i>Unique # by grade</i>	4 2	2 1	1 1		2 2	3 2	8	12
<b>Reported suicidal ideation</b> <i>Unique # by grade</i>	3 1	1 1		1 1	6 5	2 2	10	13
<b>Reported self harm</b> <i>Unique # by grade</i>	2 1	2 1	2 2		5 3	2 1	8	13
<b>Hospitalization</b> <i>Unique # by grade</i>	2 1	1 1			3 3	2 2	6	8

<b>Number of Times Action Was Taken Semester 1 2022-2023</b>			
<b>Action</b>	<b>Total Semester 1</b>	<b>Total Semester 2</b>	<b>Total 2022-2023 SY</b>
<b>Called DCF</b>	17	7	24
<b>DCF contact / requested documentation</b>	4	9	13
<b>Home visit</b>	7	11	18
<b>Student in crisis</b>	127	89	216
<b>Mediation between students and/or teacher</b>	48	37	85
<b>Called 211</b>	4	3	7
<b>Added 504 student</b>	4	4	8
<b>Safety plan created</b>	16	19	35
<b>Reported suicidal ideation and/or self harm</b>	42	29	71
<b>Hospitalization</b>	7	7	14

# School Counseling Office Data Tracking Results SY 2023 - 2024

Semester 1 2023-2024 SY  
Counseling Office Kiosk Sign-In

Count of Grade Level



Count of Reason you are here to see your counselor:

