

**WILTON-LYNDEBOROUGH COOPERATIVE
SCHOOL BOARD MEETING
Tuesday, April 21, 2015
Wilton-Lyndeborough Cooperative M/H School-Media Room
6:30 p.m.**

Present: *Geoff Brock, Harry Dailey, Jim Button, Mary Guild, Fran Bujak, Carol LeBlanc, and Alex LoVerme.*

Superintendent Christine Tyrie, Business Administrator Lise Tucker, Director of Student Support Services Betty Moore, and Clerk Kristina Fowler

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Brock called the meeting to order at 6:29pm.

II. ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA

Superintendent Tyrie requested to make the following adjustments to the agenda; under Committee Reports-remove Elementary History Committee, add Elementary Building Committee and Facilities Committee, under Resignations/Appointments/Leaves-remove the HS Social Studies appointment and add FYI new hire custodian Joshua Morrow.

III. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments to report.

IV. RECOGNITION OF BOYS BASKETBALL DIVISION IV STATE CHAMPIONS

Several members of the team were introduced by Coach Ken Garnham and praised for their behavior on and off the court. He noted that he and the other coaches were proud to take them anywhere. They are ranked 13 in the state. With this group, academics come first. Donations will be accepted for letterman jackets for the team and can be given to Mr. Garnham or the administrative office at WLC. They were congratulated on their win.

V. DESTINATION IMAGINATION-JEN WIGHT

Ms. Jen Wight was present requesting a donation for the Destination Imagination team who won first place in the "improv challenge" and will be traveling to Knoxville, TN in May to compete in the "Global Finals" at the University of TN. This is a world-class event that typically draws thousands from over 30 countries. The trip will cost approximately \$9,000 and various fundraisers are taking place.

A MOTION was made by Mr. Dailey and SECONDED by Ms. LeBlanc to donate \$1,000 of district funds to the Destination Imagination team to attend the Global Finals in Knoxville TN.

Voting: all aye; motion carried unanimously.

VI. CURRICULUM

• 3rd Science Lab

Superintendent Tyrie reported currently teachers in the science department have been collaborating and using lab space together. The freshman and juniors were working together but this is not the ideal situation. We have been looking at a different plan and Mr. Erb has reviewed the dimensions of the room and based on the information we have such as the requirements of the Dept. of Ed for square footage and limited space for counters and outlets, adding this science lab doesn't seem to be the best solution for the budget we have. Another plan will be brought back in the future where other space will be looked at.

52 **VII. BOARD CORRESPONDENCE**

53 There was no correspondence to report.

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55 **VIII. CONSENT AGENDA**

56 **a. Reports**

57 **i. Superintendent's Report**

58 **ii. Transfer/s**

59 **iii. Donation**

60 The reports have been reviewed by the Board.

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

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65 Referring to the information packet the Board had received; Mr. Dailey questioned the differences in the
66 amount of interest for the cap reserve accounts.

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68 Ms. Tucker responded by that it looked like the building and roadways cap reserve didn't have any
69 taxable income vs. special education cap reserve which does. She wondered if it was because of how it
70 was categorized. She will follow up on this and report back.

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72 Mr. Dailey questioned why there would be such large differences in percentages of free and reduced
73 food service claims between schools.

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75 Superintendent Tyrie responded that this is a common pattern that although they may be eligible, not
76 everyone applies especially at the high school level. Efforts are made to make applications available
77 and identities are kept confidential.

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79 **IX. ACTION ITEMS**

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

81 *A MOTION was made by Mr. Dailey and SECONDED by Mr. LoVerme to approve the minutes as*
82 *amended.*

83 *Voting: all aye; motion carried unanimously.*

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85 **b. Granite State Challenge**

86 Superintendent Tyrie reported finding a staff member may be the issue even if we were able to get a
87 team of students together.

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89 Mr. Button suggested during our hiring process that we inform our new hires (such as the two current
90 open social studies positions), that we have opportunities such as these and we may be able to recruit
91 this way.

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93 Superintendent Tyrie will look into any deadline of entry for the program and report back.

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95 **c. Policies**

96 **i. JFAB-Admission of Tuition and Non-Resident Students-1st Read**

97 Superintendent Tyrie this policy was brought forward for review and in some districts if a request is
98 made during the last quarter, tuition is waived. A teacher has also recently asked if they could bring
99 their child tuition free. Some districts also allow this.

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101 Mr. Dailey commented that for teachers this should be a negotiated benefit as it does burden the tax
102 payers.

Mr. Bujak questioned how tuition would be calculated which Superintendent Tyrie responded, generally, the DOE publishes this based on cost per pupil for the previous year which is what most districts use although you can set the rate at wherever you like.

Discussions were had whether this was viable for the district, what should or should not be included in the tuition rate and several possible scenarios were reviewed.

It was decided that this is complex and Superintendent Tyrie will research it further.

X. COMMITTEE REPORTS

i. Elementary Building Committee

Mr. Dailey reported that demolition work is finally completed; they are pouring the foundation for phase 2. For LCS they will be going with “design build” as it has been a struggle with timeliness to get design plans for electrical and plumbing and they are starting to see a backup with LCS. The committee agreed that this was the best path to take as there are a lot of things that have an 8-12 week lead time and orders need to be placed in a timely fashion. Bids will need to go out in the next couple of weeks. By the next meeting, a schematic plan to show the layout and site overview of the parking and traffic flow should be ready. Once that is done a meeting will be set up for selectman and Dept. of Transportation. Of note, the selectmen do have the authority to put signs on route 31.

In response to a question from Mr. Brock on how “design build” differs from “construction management”, Mr. Dailey responded that FRES had a tremendous amount of structural work that needed to be done and LCS “as they put it, as remodeling a big house”. To have an engineer do it is a luxury. The decision was based on time more than money and it will save us several thousands of dollars.

Mr. Brock suggested that the selectmen be contacted with an update if we are not going to meet with them in April.

ii. Facilities Committee

Mr. Bujak reported the committee spent most of the time reviewing the information on the science lab and how it impacts the Capital Improvement Plan. During the meeting Mr. O’Connell had brought up the police chief was concerned how far out security work for WLC was. Mr. Erb will be looking into this.

Mr. Button briefed the group on a proposed maintenance plan based on Milford School Districts plan. He stated this is the perfect time with the new buildings and updates. He wants to get a commitment of higher standards. It requires a whole lot of discussion and involvement of which he has the time and is excited about doing. He will involve all the stakeholders and have discussions on how we will ensure we will maintain our new building/s in good standards.

XI. RESIGNATIONS / APPOINTMENTS / LEAVES

- Mark Ekberg-WLC Tech ed- Resignation
- FYI-New Hire-Elementary School Secretary-Kristi Legere

A MOTION was made by Mr. LoVerme and SECONDED by Ms. LeBlanc to accept the resignation of Mr. Mark Ekberg, Tech Ed teacher at WLC.

Voting: all aye; motion carried unanimously.

Superintendent Tyrie reported two new hires, Joshua Morrow, custodian at FRES and Kristi Legere, school secretary at FRES. She also reported that both social studies candidates dropped out and she believes it is due to our geography why they chose to be employed with other districts.

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155 **XII. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

156 Ms. Jessie Salisbury questioned if the “inconvenient” utility pole at FRES had been resolved.

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158 In response Mr. Dailey reported it was decided it has to go inside the fence as there is no other way to do
159 it. There are no “guide wires” and it will go on the fence pole and be placed on an angle. It will still
160 give enough fall space for the playground equipment. It will not happen until the summer. It was the best
161 solution for all and will cost a little money but mostly be paid by PSNH.

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163 Mr. David Weir, chemistry teacher reminded the group to attend STEAM night on April 23 at WLC.

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165 **XIII. NON-PUBLIC SESSION RSA 91-A: 3 II (A) (C)**

166 A non-public session was not held.

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168 **XIV. ADJOURNMENT**

169 *A MOTION was made by Ms. Guild and SECONDED by Mr. LoVerme to adjourn the Board meeting at*
170 *7:42pm.*

171 *Voting: all aye; motion carried unanimously.*

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173 *Respectfully submitted,*

174 *Kristina Fowler*
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