

# Board of Education Meeting

Monday, February 11, 2019 7:00 PM

Board of Education Room, [Address], [City], CT [Zip]

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

3. **AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

1. Board of Education minutes of January 28, 2019

5. **AUDIENCE TO CITIZENS/STAFF/STUDENTS**

6. **CORRESPONDENCE**

7. **OPPORTUNITY TO ADD/DELETE AGENDA ITEMS**

8. **CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Warrant of February 11, 2019

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

10. **OLD BUSINESS**

1. Superintendent's 2019-2020 Proposed Budget  
Approval

11. **ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

1. Curriculum Report on Art and Foods

2. Superintendent's Update

12. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

1. CURRICULUM

2. POLICY

3. SALARY & NEGOTIATION

4. PLANNING

13. **CREC UPDATE**

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

**Somers Board of Education Meeting  
Board of Education Room  
January 28, 2019  
7:00 PM**

**Attendance Taken at 7:00 PM:**

Present Board Members: David Palmer, Rick Lees, Barbara Capuano, Sarah Bollinger, Jeremy Anderson, Bruce Devlin, Anne Kirkpatrick, Kate McLellan (arrived at 7:12 p.m.)

Absent Board Members: Jan Martin

Others: Brian Czapla, Bill Boutwell, Dina Senecal, Melissa Mucci, Edwin Genece, Faith Sarisley

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order by Chairman Devlin at 7:03 p.m. in the Mabelle B. Avery School Board of Education meeting room.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. STUDENT REPRESENTATIVES' REPORT**

Faith Sarisley and Edwin Genece, SHS representatives, updated the Board of Education on SHS events. A new semester started this week with class and lunch changes. Midterms occurred last week. There will be an 8th grade evening on 2/12/19 where the band leaders will introduce band class. The class of 2021 will host a Mario Kart Tournament on 3/31/19. The Drama Club has begun rehearsing their production of "The Drowsy Chaperone." Lacrosse sign-ups have begun. The Beta Club held a bottle drive. Five students are auditioning for the Music Festival. A winter concert was held on 1/17/19 with solos and multiple pieces by the band and chorus. The SHS Variety Show will hold their first meeting this Wednesday, 1/30/19. The Beta Club held a Blood Drive on 12/13/18 through the American Red Cross.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**4.1. Board of Education Minutes of January 14, 2019**

**Rationale:** The Board will review and approve the minutes of the January 14, 2019 meeting.

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve minutes from the 1-14-2019 Board of Education meeting passed with a motion by Sarah Bollinger and a second by Anne Kirkpatrick. **7 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

**5. AUDIENCE TO CITIZENS/STAFF/STUDENTS**

## 6. CORRESPONDENCE

## 7. OPPORTUNITY TO ADD/DELETE AGENDA ITEMS

## 8. CONSENT AGENDA

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve the entire consent agenda as presented passed with a motion by David Palmer and a second by Jeremy Anderson. **7 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

### 8.1. Warrant of January 28, 2019

**Rationale:** The Board of Education is to review the warrant in the amount of \$256,431.53 and give consent.

## 9. NEW BUSINESS

### 9.1. Field Trip - Approval Somers High School Students Supporting Students (SSS) Retreat

**Rationale:** Mrs. Suzy Williams, SHS Social Worker will be taking the SSS (Student Supporting Students) to their annual weekend overnight Retreat to Silver Lake Conference Center from March 8-10, 2019.

**Discussion:** Superintendent Czapla recommended approving the field trip and stated that Mrs. Williams has been involved with this field trip for a number of years. It is good leadership training and has been well received by students in the past.

**Motion Passed:** Motion to approve Somers High School Students Supporting Students (SSS) Retreat passed with a motion by Barbara Capuano and a second by Anne Kirkpatrick. **7 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

### 9.2. Approval of the Educational Specifications for the Oil Tank Removal Project at Somers Elementary School.

**Rationale:** Approval of the Educational Specifications for the Oil Tank Removal Project at Somers Elementary School.

**Motion Passed:** Approval of the Educational Specifications for the Oil Tank Removal Project at Somers Elementary School passed with a motion by David Palmer and a second by Sarah Bollinger. **7 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

### 9.3. Approval of Company for Removal of Somers Elementary's Oil Tank

**Rationale:** Approval of awarding RZ Design Associate, Inc. the engineering, architectural and design contract for the Oil Tank Removal Project at Somers Elementary School.

**Discussion:** The project is to be completed during the summer.

**Motion Passed:** Approval of awarding RZ Design Associate, Inc. the engineering, architectural and design contract for the Oil Tank Removal Project at Somers Elementary School passed with a motion by David Palmer and a second by Sarah Bollinger. **8 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

**9.4. Approval of awarding SMRT the engineering, architectural and design contract for the SHS track replacement project and to direct the Superintendent to enter into final contract negotiations with SMRT.**

**Rationale:** Approval of awarding SMRT Architects and Engineers, the engineering, architectural and design contract for the SHS track replacement project and to direct the Superintendent to enter into final contract negotiations with SMRT Architects and Engineers.

**Discussion:** David Palmer reported that the BOE will serve as the Building Committee.

**Motion Passed:** Approval of awarding SMRT Architects and Engineers, the engineering, architectural and design contract for the SHS track replacement project and to direct the Superintendent to enter into final contract negotiations with SMRT Architects and Engineers passed with a motion by David Palmer and a second by Sarah Bollinger. **8 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

**10. OLD BUSINESS**

**10.1. Discussion: 2019-20 Superintendent's Proposed Budget**

**Rationale:** Discussion: 2019-20 Superintendent's Proposed Budget

**Discussion:** Superintendent Czapla reported that he did not receive any questions from the BOE. He will present the proposed 2019-20 budget to the BOF on 2/25/19. Important dates include:

- 3/11/19 - Public Hearing in the SHS auditorium at 6 p.m.
- 3/25/19 - BOF will vote on the budget
- 4/23/19 - BOF will hold the Public Hearing
- 5/7/19 - Annual Town Meeting
- 5/14/19 - Budget Referendum.

The important dates are also listed on the school website under District Information.

**11. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS**

**11.1. Mindfulness Presentation**

**Rationale:** SES Principal, Mrs. Dina Senecal will do a Mindfulness Presentation.

**Discussion:** Mrs. Dina Senecal, SES Principal, and Mrs. Melissa Mucci, SES Assistant Principal, updated the BOE on Growth Mindset and how they are implementing the program at SES. They started the presentation off with a video describing the differences between the psychology behind Growth Mindset and Fixed Mindset. A Fixed Mindset is described as having fixed traits and is set on the "now." A Growth Mindset focuses on developing abilities through effort, process, and use of strategies. The Growth Mindset helps develop resilience, perseverance, and confidence. Mrs. Senecal described how it has been scientifically proven that learning causes neurons in the brain to make new and stronger connections. She mentioned Carol Dweck, who is the leading psychologist in Growth Mindset. She has claimed that people are born with a

Fixed Mindset but may be taught to have a Growth Mindset. Effort and the process to problem solve are keys to perseverance. With a Growth Mindset, students understand that they need more help and that they may not be able to solve the problem *yet*. Their abilities are developed through hard work and dedication. With a Fixed Mindset, students believe that they are who they are and that they can only achieve so much. The Growth Mindset was implemented at SES at the beginning of school last year and was previously introduced to staff during Professional Development. Teachers are to look at the whole student and determine how they learn best. Students are rewarded for taking risks and making mistakes which is part of the learning process. Feedback from the teacher and peers is important. Teachers are rephrasing language with students when mistakes are made. There are Growth Mindset resources for the teachers at SES as well as two models of the brain to teach children the neuroscience behind it. Teachers are embedding Growth Mindset in their class meetings and school assemblies. Monthly newsletters are sent to parents to teach them how to frame questions at home.

### **11.2. Superintendent's Update**

**Rationale:** Mr. Czapla will give the latest update on Somers Public Schools.

**Discussion:** Superintendent Czapla reported that he will be presenting the proposed 2019-20 budget to the PTO on Monday, 2/4/19 at 5:30 p.m.

## **12. COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **12.1. CURRICULUM**

**Discussion:** No report.

### **12.2. POLICY**

**Discussion:** Anne Kirkpatrick reported that the next meeting will be held on 2/11/19 at 6 p.m.; however, the Planning Committee will take precedence over the Policy Committee if a meeting is scheduled at that time.

### **12.3. SALARY & NEGOTIATION**

**Discussion:** No report.

### **12.4. PLANNING**

**Discussion:** No report.

## **13. OTHER**

Anne Kirkpatrick reported that Jan Martin, Brian Czapla, and herself attended the CABA Legislative Breakfast on 1/15/19. The Ellington BOE presented a proposal to the Legislature to change the graduation date to be set at the 180-day mark instead of having to change the graduation day due to snow days, etc. Setting the graduation day at the 180-day mark would be beneficial for college orientations, military, summer jobs, paid venues, family travel, and speakers who are scheduled for graduation. Anne also attended a CREC Legislative Breakfast.

A resolution was adopted unanimously from the CREC Board of Directors to ask the State to meet its obligation to fund a minimum of 75% of the cost of the student population (the State's per student contribution was reduced in 2017 and 2018). She reported on the statistics from the CREC report of 16 schools and two programs which included the ethnic population percentage as well as the percentages of students utilizing free/reduced lunches, SPED, 504 programs, ELL, and the percentage of those living in alliance districts. Legislation has also mandated that CREC schools have unifying bell times to include the same delay schedules. There is also a new program to recruit ten minorities from Hartford with Bachelor degrees as teachers. The prospective educators will attend summer classes, mentor one year, and then become certified.

#### 14. ADJOURNMENT

**Motion Passed:** Motion to adjourn at 7:56 p.m. passed with a motion by Anne Kirkpatrick and a second by Sarah Bollinger. **8 Yeas - 0 Nays.**

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Rick Lees, Board of Education Secretary      Date


Shannin Burns, BOE Recording Secretary

# Somers Board of Education General Budget Treasury Warrant

Report # 56394

Check Batch: 22286  
 Check Header: (N / A)  
 Check Numbers: (First) - (Last)  
 Check Dates: (Earliest) - (Latest)  
 Cash Account Numbers: (First) - (Last)  
 Bank Account Code: (N/A)  
 Check Authorization Code: AP GB  
 Minimum Check Amount: \$0.00  
 Sorted By:  
 Include Payable Information: No  
 Include Payable Dist Information: No  
 Include Authorization Information: Yes

Batch #	Check #	Check Date	Vendor Code	Vendor Name	Electronic Amount	Check Amount
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Approved by:  Date: 2/7/19  
 William B. Boutwell, Director of Business Services

22286	16449	02/11/2019	V60849	Acres Power Equipment Co	0.00	98.84
	16450	02/11/2019	V61123	Aero All-Gas Co, The	0.00	37.35
	16451	02/11/2019	V02129	Alarn New England LLC	0.00	195.00
	16452	02/11/2019	V52670	SYNCB/AMAZON	0.00	767.23
	16453	02/11/2019	V60040	Anthem Life Insurance Company	0.00	2,256.47
	16454	02/11/2019	V02141	Apple Inc.	0.00	35,952.00
	16455	02/11/2019	V61182	Automated Building Systems, Inc	0.00	1,816.75
	16456	02/11/2019	V52478	Bart Truck Equipment LLC.	0.00	56.54
	16457	02/11/2019	V61498	Befour	0.00	619.00
	16458	02/11/2019	E00022	Bodine-Donahue, Gail	0.00	90.00
	16459	02/11/2019	M54301	C&A Distributors, Inc.	0.00	1,383.00
	16460	02/11/2019	V00121	CABE	0.00	1,300.00
	16461	02/11/2019	V00129	Carolina Biological Supply Co.	0.00	26.20
	16462	02/11/2019	V51942	CBS	0.00	208.00
	16463	02/11/2019	E00063	Clarity, Michael	0.00	129.35
	16464	02/11/2019	V61455	ConnectCare, Inc	0.00	163,518.61
	16465	02/11/2019	E00076	Cotzin, Gary	0.00	96.28
	16466	02/11/2019	V61473	COX Business	0.00	112.32
	16467	02/11/2019	V00204	CREC	0.00	100.00
	16468	02/11/2019	V60709	DBS Financial Services LLC	0.00	479.55

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16469		02/11/2019	V60089	Dime Oil Company LLC	0.00	29,256.43
16470		02/11/2019	V00053	E. B. Atmus Co., Inc.	0.00	22.95
16471		02/11/2019	V53276	EdAdvance	0.00	800.00
16472		02/11/2019	V00295	Education Week Magazine	0.00	89.94
16473		02/11/2019	V60185	Ellington Agway Power Equipment	0.00	953.00
16474		02/11/2019	V54168	First Student, Inc	0.00	76,600.98
16475		02/11/2019	E00257	Ford, Linda	0.00	80.57
16476		02/11/2019	E00257	Ford, Linda	0.00	200.00
16477		02/11/2019	V61236	Gateway Enterprise Corporation	0.00	186.00
16478		02/11/2019	V00511	Granger	0.00	1,197.05
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16480		02/11/2019	V21219	Hartford Sprinkler Co., Inc	0.00	400.00
16481		02/11/2019	V01790	Heinemann	0.00	11.83
16482		02/11/2019	V53228	Hertf Jones Inc.	0.00	279.04
16483		02/11/2019	V60090	High Grade Gas Service, Inc	0.00	633.31
16484		02/11/2019	V21177	Home Depot CRC	0.00	163.86
16485		02/11/2019	V61403	Hooker & Holcombe, Inc	0.00	1,300.00
16486		02/11/2019	V51979	Integrated Systems Services, LLC	0.00	1,130.95
16487		02/11/2019	V60043	IVEY Industries	0.00	186.32
16488		02/11/2019	E00166	Kelleher, Michelle	0.00	20.37
16489		02/11/2019	V51340	Life Safety Service & Supply LLC	0.00	429.58
16490		02/11/2019	E00221	McDonnell, Michael	0.00	115.08
16491		02/11/2019	V61501	Olivarez, Enrique	0.00	1,425.00
16492		02/11/2019	V60983	OMNI Group, The	0.00	22.00
16493		02/11/2019	V60925	ReadyNurse Staffing Services	0.00	378.00
16494		02/11/2019	V52074	Really Good Stuff, Inc.	0.00	302.39
16495		02/11/2019	V61500	Reynolds Advanced Materials	0.00	49.62
16496		02/11/2019	V51134	Richco Products, Inc.	0.00	151.48
16497		02/11/2019	V53811	RJ Mase, LLC	0.00	112.00
16498		02/11/2019	V60948	Scitico Equipment Repair	0.00	75.80
16499		02/11/2019	V60026	Signarama	0.00	137.54
16500		02/11/2019	V01591	Town of Somers	0.00	11,037.68
16501		02/11/2019	V00024	Stanton Equipment, Inc	0.00	219.89
16502		02/11/2019	V61256	Take 2 Inc	0.00	509.80
16503		02/11/2019	M53099	Tull Brothers, Inc.	0.00	320.00
16504		02/11/2019	V60819	Turf Products	0.00	2,143.36
16505		02/11/2019	V53987	U.S. Bank Equipment Finance, Inc	0.00	2,438.10

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	16506	02/11/2019	V54059	Verizon Wireless	0.00	635.95
	16507	02/11/2019	V53413	W. B. Mason Co., Inc.	0.00	278.94
	16508	02/11/2019	V61410	Cardmember Service	0.00	149.05
	16509	02/11/2019	E00897	Willemain, Monica	0.00	110.00
	16510	02/11/2019	E00849	Zajackowski, Amanda	0.00	148.88
	16511	02/11/2019	E00233	Zytka, Dr. Irene	0.00	18.97
<b>Totals:</b>					<u>0.00</u>	<u>\$343,971.16</u>

63 Checks Listed.

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Report # 56393  
Batch: 22210  
Transaction: N/A  
Show Summary Only: Yes

Batch # 22210	Control Total \$343,971.16	Status Posted	Created By Lbergamini	Created On 02/04/2019	Last Updated By Lbergamini	Last Updated On 02/07/2019
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<b>Generated Distributions</b>					
10-000-0-0-00-000-710-00-0-00000	ENCUMBRANCE CONTROL			338,242.81	0.00
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	Total Generated Distributions			<b>\$338,242.81</b>	<b>\$338,242.81</b>
<b>User-Entered Distributions</b>					
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10-100-2-2-27-242-611-01-5-00904	K-5 - REMEDIAL READING SUPPLY			11.83	0.00
10-100-2-3-14-241-611-01-5-00157	MA - GENERAL SUPPLIES			173.17	0.00
10-100-2-4-14-241-611-01-5-00159	HS - GENERAL SUPPLIES			23.28	0.00
10-100-2-4-14-241-611-01-5-00159	HS - GENERAL SUPPLIES			0.00	11.64
10-100-2-4-22-242-611-01-5-00195	HS - PHYSICAL ED SUPPLIES			243.59	0.00
10-100-2-4-26-242-611-01-5-01070	HS - ENGLISH SUPPLIES			100.59	0.00
10-100-2-4-28-242-611-01-5-00206	HS - SCIENCE SUPPLIES			46.57	0.00
10-100-8-4-66-910-730-01-5-00607	HS CAPITAL OUTLAY			148.88	0.00
10-100-8-5-66-910-730-04-5-00843	SW - CAPITAL OUTLAY TECHNOLOGY			35.952.00	0.00
10-120-9-9-98-215-112-01-5-00101	SP ED - HIGH SCHOOL AIDE			0.00	0.00
10-213-3-5-48-412-112-02-5-00319	SW - NURSE SUBSTITUTE			378.00	0.00
10-213-3-5-48-421-730-02-5-01076	SW - HEALTH EQUIPMENT		Yes	37.35	0.00
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10-221-1-4-50-251-580-05-5-00267	HS - TRAVEL/IN-SERVICE			6.96	0.00
10-221-1-4-50-251-580-05-5-00269	HS - PRINCIPAL'S TRAVEL			96.28	0.00
10-221-1-5-72-231-690-05-5-00284	CO - PROFESSIONAL LIBRARY			89.94	0.00
10-221-2-5-50-214-111-05-5-00659	SW - PROF DEVELOPMENT/CEU			344.43	0.00
10-231-1-5-74-134-330-10-5-00045	B.O.E. - OTHER PROF. SERVICES		Yes	3,422.00	0.00
10-231-1-5-74-134-330-10-5-00051	B.O.E. - AUDIT			3,000.00	0.00
10-231-1-5-74-134-590-10-5-00648	B.O.E. - COMMUNITY RELATIONS		Yes	212.29	0.00
10-232-1-5-72-132-530-04-5-00039	CO - POSTAGE			36.30	0.00
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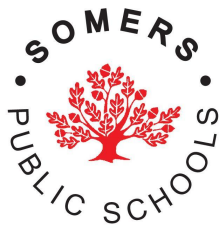
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10-260-5-4-12-722-430-01-5-00395		HS - TECHNOLOGY ED MAINTENANCE			186.32	0.00
10-260-5-4-38-722-430-01-5-00393		HS - QUANTITY FOODS MAINT.			112.00	0.00
10-260-5-4-64-642-530-04-5-00366		HS - TELEPHONE			103.69	0.00
10-260-5-5-64-642-530-04-5-00367		CO - TELEPHONE			316.86	0.00
10-260-5-6-62-650-613-05-5-00377		SW - CUSTODIAL SUPPLIES			1,261.44	0.00
10-260-5-6-62-722-430-08-5-00430		MA - BUILDING MAINTENANCE			1,520.54	0.00
10-260-5-6-62-722-430-08-5-00439		HS - BUILDING MAINTENANCE			1,634.62	0.00
10-260-5-6-62-722-430-08-5-00440		SW - EQUIPMENT REPAIR			1,431.87	0.00
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10-260-5-6-62-722-430-08-5-00451		SW - MOWER MAINTENANCE			2,143.36	0.00
10-260-5-6-62-722-430-08-5-00471		SW - FIRE ALARMS & BELLS			195.00	0.00
10-260-5-6-64-630-620-05-5-00354		K-5 - FUEL #2			13,825.49	0.00
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10-260-5-6-64-641-620-05-5-00358		K-5 - ELECTRICITY			479.55	0.00
10-260-5-6-64-643-690-05-5-00371		MA - PROPANE GAS			633.31	0.00
10-260-6-5-62-722-430-04-5-00452		SW - MAINTENANCE CONTRACTS			2,216.75	0.00
10-270-4-5-84-521-510-12-5-00325		TRANSPORTATION - ELEMENTARY			24,574.56	0.00
10-270-4-5-84-521-510-12-5-00326		TRANSPORTATION - SECONDARY			29,518.99	0.00
10-270-4-5-84-521-627-12-5-00327		BUS FUEL			7,532.77	0.00
10-270-9-9-84-522-112-12-5-00333		SP ED - TRANSPORTATION AIDE			2,803.50	0.00
10-270-9-9-84-522-510-12-5-00329		SP ED - VANS	Yes		19,703.93	0.00
10-279-4-5-84-722-627-12-5-00341		SW - GASOLINE SCHOOL VEHICLES			504.91	0.00
10-280-6-5-82-820-200-13-5-00512		LIFE AND AD&D INSURANCE			2,256.47	0.00
10-280-6-5-82-820-200-13-5-01228		SW - HEALTH SAVINGS ACCOUNT			163,518.61	0.00
10-320-7-3-42-880-690-06-5-00594		MA - ATHLETIC SUPPLIES			190.39	0.00

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Total for February, 2019					<u>\$682,237.25</u>	<u>\$682,237.25</u>
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**Board of Education  
Administrative Report**

Title of Report: Art

Board Meeting Date: February 11, 2019

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Submitted by: Dr. Irene Zytka, Director of Curriculum

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***Executive Summary***

The Art staff continue to work on embedding curriculum and the new art standards into Atlas. The units in development include creating interdisciplinary projects to provide students with rigorous, meaningful experiences.

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***Report***

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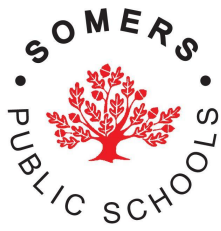
Honors Art- Classes will be engaging in their independent project involving the theme of concentration. In addition, mural projects are being developed for the HS cafeteria and two of the central offices.

Intro to Art- Students have begun the semester working on eye hand coordination exercises and dexterity building activities including blind contour drawing and Zentangle pattern drawing with sharpies. Students use their prior knowledge of patterns and shapes in math to create the drawings.

Computer Art- Students have started off with manipulating photos in Adobe Photoshop to create a variety of images including fruit monsters and visual puns as well as creating effects like turning a solid object into liquid and abstracting an image in the style of Cubism.

Computer Animation- Students have been introduced to frame by frame animation and created flip books which are now being transferred to the computer and done digitally using Adobe Animate.

Ceramics- With the purchase of a new kiln for the Ceramics classes, students are now able to produce projects of a higher caliber. The new kiln is the result of an grant from SEF.



## **Board of Education Administrative Report**

### **MBA**

The staff at the middle school continue to create interdisciplinary projects. One project that is pending is a project between the arts and 7th grade Math class using proportions. The students construct 3D buildings that you would find in a city or town and work in cooperative groups to accomplish the project. The project will be based on the prior knowledge students have regarding shape and form from 6th grade art and math classes. They will also be exposed to the concept of a “collaborative art piece” as it applies to a individual art pieces becoming one project.

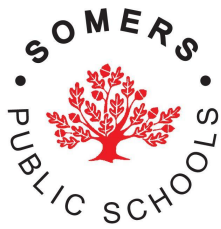
### **SES**

Kindergarten- The art staff is emphasizing the connections between lines and shapes and letter/number formations.

Grades 1- Students are reviewing classic works of still art to create their own interpretations.

Grade 2- Students were involved in an interdisciplinary project where they were to design and create a sled. In addition to the design, students had to analyze the speed, weight, cost, comfort and marketability of their sleds. The marketability of the sleds also included a poster advertising their product

Grades 3-5- Students were involved in a variety of projects which included an art project depicting animals and their habitats and a recycled materials project to create “Earth Art”.



## Board of Education Administrative Report

Title of Report: Food Service and Management

Board Meeting Date: February 11, 2019

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Submitted by: Dr. Irene Zytka, Director of Curriculum

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### ***Executive Summary***

The Food Service and Management program is focusing on embedding more rigorous projects and interdisciplinary units in the curriculum. With the assistance of local business stakeholders, skills are being examined to ensure that students are prepared should they decide to pursue the field of Food Service and Management.

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### ***Report***

A major focus of the Food Service program is to embed rigorous academic vocabulary into assignments and projects students need to complete. Vocabulary introduced in both previous math and science courses are reintroduced through the lens of food and food preparation. Students investigate how these terms are used in the food service program, research and create recipes, and then present the final recipe demonstrating their knowledge of the terms.

In addition, the Foods classes are providing the breakfast items for the Career and Technical Education Advisory Council meetings which is a requirement of the Perkins Grant. The members of the council include the technology, culinary and business staff, administration, the Director of Curriculum along with members of the community which represent the different businesses which might employ students going through these particular classes. The focus this year is to review the curriculum of the various classes for real-world applications and future needs.