

The **REGULAR MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING** of the Board of Education West Hempstead Union Free School District was called to order in the Middle School Cafeteria on October 21, 2014 at 7:40 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Ms. Brohm, who presided, and five other members of the Board: Mr. Trocchia, Ms. Lotito, Mr. Mariano, Ms. Rilling and Mr. Schindler. Also present were Mr. Hogan, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. O'Keefe, Mr. Sheahan, Ms. Spinelli, Ms. Bryant and members of the staff and community.

Mr. Hogan recognized the Board and thanked them for their service. He thanked the Chamber Orchestra for their performance and introduced students from each building who presented the members of the Board with photo albums containing pictures of students' artwork.

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Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by six, the Board moved to the Public Hearing to discuss Veterans' Tax Exemption. Mr. O'Keefe gave a PowerPoint presentation. Several members of the community spoke in support of the veterans.

At 8:05 p.m. upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by six, the Board moved to the Business Meeting.

**Docket # 3-247:** Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by six, the Board approved the support of the Veterans' Tax Exemption.

Under **ROUTINE MATTERS** action was taken as follows:

**Docket #4-94:** The **MINUTES** of the Regular Business Meeting held on September 16, 2014, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, were presented, and upon motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by six, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

**Docket #4-95:** The **MINUTES** of the Policy Meeting held on October 14, 2014, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, were presented, and upon motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by six, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

**Docket #4-96:** The **MINUTES** of the Audit Committee Meeting held on October 14, 2014, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, were presented, and upon motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by six, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

**Docket #4-97:** The **TREASURER'S REPORT** for the month ended August 31, 2014 having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, was presented, and upon motion of Mr. Rilling, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by six, the Schedule of Claims & Warrants, appropriation status report and revenue status report were placed on the table for discussion and then filed.

Under **REPORT OF COMMITTEES** action took place as follows:

Student Council Co-President Kira Bettineschi announced that Student Council will be selling \$1 raffles to raise money for their holiday toy drive. The winner will get to choose "What will happen to Mr. and Miss West Hempstead...Trick or Treat." She announced the Student Council will also be collecting unwrapped toys in November and December – all were urged to participate. Ms. Bettineschi also congratulated several students: Kiera Donovan who will be competing this weekend in the cross county finals, Daniel Brioso who won a \$10,000 college scholarship from Nordstrom and Amanda Lombardo and Damian Kim who were both recognized as Commended National Merit Scholars. She announced that Homecoming was a huge success and thanked all who made it possible.

PTA Co-President Andrea Shinsato thanked everyone for joining PTA and announced that 100% of WHEA and WHASA members joined. She announced a fundraising event is scheduled for this Friday at the Popkin-Brogna Jujitsu Center for 5<sup>th</sup> grade students.

PTSA Co-President Loraine Magaraci reported that a meeting with Island Park will be held next Monday, October 27<sup>th</sup> in Island Park. She also announced 100% membership of WHEA and WHASA and thanked all Homecoming participants.

Under **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT** – Mr. Hogan introduced Mr. Alan Yu who presented the External Audit Report for the 2013-2014 school year.

Mr. Hogan then turned the meeting over to Mr. Hopkins who gave a PowerPoint presentation about the Guidance Department and how they engage the students from 6<sup>th</sup> grade through 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

Mr. Hogan then announced that there would be a BBSC Meeting the following evening and Superintendent’s Conference Day on November 4<sup>th</sup>. He thanked all for making Homecoming so successful and enjoyable. Mr. Hogan thanked Ms. Spinelli for her service.

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Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by six, the following reports were received and placed on file:

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| <b>4-97A-a</b> | Cornwell Avenue School Building Inspection Report |
| <b>4-97A-b</b> | George Washington Building Inspection Report      |
| <b>4-97A-c</b> | Middle School Building Inspection Report          |
| <b>4-97A-d</b> | High School Building Inspection Report            |
| <b>4-97A-e</b> | Chestnut Street Building Inspection Report        |
| <b>4-97A-f</b> | Marian Delaney Building Inspection Report         |

Under **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION** action took place as follows:

**Docket #4-98:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by six, Appointments, Resignations, etc. were made, accepted, granted and approved as follows:

**Topic:** Probationary Appointment(s)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>End of Probation</u>
Phelan, Michelle	ESL Teacher GW	TESOL K-12	\$54,091 plus neg. increase (pro-rated) 1 BA + 30	10/27/14	10/27/17
Silecchia, Gina	ESL Teacher CS	TESOL K-12	\$61,485 plus neg. increase (pro-rated) 2 MA + 15	10/29/14	10/29/17
Tripp, Faith	ESL Teacher HS	TESOL K-12	\$76,125 plus neg. increase (pro-rated) 7 MA + 15	11/24/14	11/24/16

**Topic:** Part Time Teaching Appointment(s)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Bennington, Gail	Biology and Gen. Science 7-12 Earth Science 7-12	\$84,834 plus neg. increase (pro-rated) 7 MA + 60	.2 FTE 10/23/14 – 1/30/15 .4 FTE 2/2/15 – 6/24/15

**Topic:** Resignation(s)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Kennedy, Olivia	Teaching Assistant GW	\$19.14/hr.	11/1/14
Spinelli, Cristina	District Treasurer	\$30,000	11/7/14

**Topic:** Leave(s) of Absence

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Benik, Tara	Science Teacher Middle School	12/2/14	6/30/15
Conti, Lauren	Special Ed Teacher George Washington	12/23/14	12/23/14
Lazaro, Danielle	3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Teacher Cornwell Avenue	10/22/14	11/21/14
Livi, Jessica	Math Teacher Middle School	10/30/14	2/6/15
Miller, Reva	School Nurse Middle School	10/9/14, 10/10/14, 10/16/14, 10/17/14	

**Topic: Appointment of Leave Replacement Teacher(s)**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Salary</u></b>	<b><u>Effective</u></b>
Politan, Samantha	Elementary Teacher CA	\$49,625 + neg. increase 1BA (pro-rated)	10/22/14-11/21/15
Skuza, Conrad	Science Teacher MS	\$56,324 + neg. increase 1 MA (pro-rated)	12/2/14 – 6/30/15
Wilkins, Katherine	Math Teacher MS	\$49,625 + neg. increase 1BA (pro-rated)	10/30/14 – t/b/d

**Topic: Civil Service Appointment**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Salary</u></b>	<b><u>Effective</u></b>
Marciano, James	Head Custodian	\$59,135 HS/MS	10/22/14 Step 5

**Topic: Per Diem Substitute Appointments**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Salary</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>
Foley, Nancy	\$11.36/hr.	Cleaner
Perlowitz, Debra	\$10.11/hr.	Monitor
Rickmers, David	\$90.00/day	Teacher
Somma, Danielle	\$90.00/day	Teacher

**Topic: Increase in Full Time Equivalent (FTE) effective October 22, 2014**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Salary</u></b>
Withopf, Stephanie	Transition Coordinator .2 FTE	\$12,954.60 plus neg. increase (pro-rated)

**Docket #4-98:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling, and carried by six, Extra Pay positions, etc. were made, accepted, granted and approved as follows:

**Topic: Extra Pay for Extra Responsibility**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Activity</u></b>	<b><u>Salary</u></b>
<b><u>HIGH SCHOOL</u></b>		
Angacia, Sevan	SADD Advisor	\$ 995.00 plus neg. increase
Benson, Melissa	Show Choir Co-Director	\$ 497.50 plus neg. increase
Brown, Adam	Girls' Spring Track Coach	\$6,798.00 plus neg. increase
Byrnes, Nicole	Girls' Varsity Lacrosse Coach	\$6,798.00 plus neg. increase
Gewirtz, Robert	Boys' Spring Track Coach	\$6,798.00 plus neg. increase
Hanna, Chad	JV Softball Coach	\$4,755.00 plus neg. increase
Hovanec, Michael	Boys' Varsity Tennis Coach	\$5,281.00 plus neg. increase
Hutt, Tracy	Girls' Varsity Badminton Coach	\$4,531.00 plus neg. increase
Lambo, Michelle	Co-Key Club Advisor	\$1,078.00 plus neg. increase
Shannon, Margaret	Debate Club	\$ 995.00 plus neg. increase
McVetty, Patricia	Show Choir Co-Director	\$ 497.50 plus neg. increase
VanKovics, Chris	Varsity Softball Coach	\$6,798.00 plus neg. increase
Withopf, Stephanie	Co-Key Club Advisor	\$1,078.00 plus neg. increase

**MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Blyskal, Terrance	Assistant Track Coach	\$2,960.00 plus neg. increase
Bourazeris, Dean	Assistant Track Coach	\$2,960.00 plus neg. increase
Carr, Geoffrey	Assistant Football Coach	\$3,875.00 plus neg. increase (pro-rated) Effective 10/1/14
Dooley, Ryan	Baseball Coach	\$3,399.00 plus neg. increase
Gould, Dina	Spring Track Coach	\$3,399.00 plus neg. increase
Scaturro, Michael	Softball Coach	\$3,399.00 plus neg. increase

**GEORGE WASHINGTON**

Schwartz, Stacey	Student Council Advisor	\$2,144.00 plus neg. increase
Schwartz, Stacey	Science Club Advisor	\$ 995.00 plus neg. increase
Solomon, Jill	Intramurals Coach	\$ 564.00 plus neg. increase (per ten sessions)
VanKovics, Chris	Intramurals Coach	\$ 564.00 plus neg. increase (per ten sessions)

**CORNWELL AVENUE**

Imhoff, Christina	Art Club Advisor	\$ 995.00 plus neg. increase
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**Topic: Extra Pay for Extra Responsibility Resignation**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Lambo, Michelle	Key Club Advisor	9/1/2014
Navarra, Steven	MS Assistant Football Coach	9/15/2014

**Docket #4-100:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by six, the Board approved the Amendment to Docket No. 4-67 adopted on September 16, 2014 as highlighted below:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>End of Probation</u>
Angacian, Sevan	School Psychologist	School Psychologist	\$74,239 (pro-rated, plus neg. increase) 3 Ph.D	9/29/14	9/29/17

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Period</u>
Bolognini, Donna	Monitor Cornwell Avenue	\$14.67/hr. plus neg. increase Step 1	10/6/14 – 6/24/15
Madlik, AnnMarie	Monitor HANC	\$14.67/hr. plus neg. increase Step 1	10/1/14 – 6/24/15

**Docket #4-101:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by six, the Board approved the Side Letter Agreement with West Hempstead Education Association.

**Docket #4-102:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by six, the Board approved the Budget Timetable for the 2015 – 2016 school year.

**Docket #4-103:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by six, the Board approved the Elected and Appointed Officials Working Hours as Reported to New York State.

**Docket #4-104:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by six, the Board approved the Contracts for Special Education Services with Great Neck UFSD, Hewlett-Woodmere UFSD, Kids First Evaluation and Advocacy Center, Inc., Martin DePorres School, Henry Viscardi School and The Woodward Children's Center.

**Docket #4-105:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by six, the Board approved a contract for Professional Development with Education Protocols for Evaluation and Research.

**Docket #4-106:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by six, the Board approved the appointment of Teresa Walz as a parent member to the District Committee on Special Education.

**Docket #4-107:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by six, the Board approved Club Charters for the 2014 – 2015 school year.

**Docket #4-108:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by six, the Board accepted a donation of \$63.21 from Target's Take Charge of Education program to be appropriated to Middle School budget code A211050107.

**Docket #4-109:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by six, that pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 853, Laws of 1976, as amended, the Committees on Special Education and Pre-School Education recommend to the Board of Education placement, change of placement, and transfers of students, identified by number only, in the school indicated.

The **REPORT OF THE DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT**, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, was presented, and action items therein were considered as follows:

**Docket #4-110:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by six, the Board accepted the recommendations to add new vendors to the District vendor list.

**Docket #4-111:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by six, the Board approved the budgetary transfers.

**Docket #4-112:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by six, the Board approved the Tax Anticipation Notes Service.

**Docket #4-113:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by six, the Board approved the Amendment to Docket #4-82 Bid for Roof Replacement and Masonry Repair Work.

**Docket #4-114:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by six, the Board approved the Disposition of Equipment.

**Docket #4-115:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by six, the Board approved the Disposition of Textbooks.

**Docket #4-116:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by six, the Board approved the EXCEL Aid Allocation for Project No. 280227-03-0-005-024, roof replacement and masonry repair work at West Hempstead Middle/High Schools.

**Docket #4-117:** Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Ms. Brohm and carried by six, the Board approved the Use of Facilities as follows:

<b><u>Organization</u></b>	<b><u>Day/Time</u></b>	<b><u>Room/ Field</u></b>
<b><u>George Washington</u></b> Girl Scout Troop 1055 Caroling	Friday 12/5/14 Snow date Friday 12/12/14 6:30 pm-10:00 pm	Cafeteria



**High School**

WH Community Support

Wednesday  
October 22, 2014  
7:00-10:00 pm

Video Conference Room

**Middle School**

Girl Scout Troop #1237

Thursdays  
10/1/14-6/30/14  
2:45 pm-4:15 pm

Room hasn't been assigned

Girl Scout Troop #1107

Fridays  
11/7/14-6/2015  
6:00 pm-8:30 pm

Cafeteria

PTSA

Monday-Friday  
10/14/14-10/17/14  
8:00 am-3:00 pm

PTSA Book Fair

**Chestnut Street**

YI of West Hempstead

Sundays  
4/12/14-6/28/14  
8:30 am-11:30 am

Field

**Cornwell Avenue**

YIWH

Sundays  
9/2014-3/2015  
7:30 pm-10:00 pm

Gym

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Under **OLD BUSINESS** action was taken as follows:

**Docket #4-87:** Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by six, the Board adopted Existing Policy 2155 – Equal Opportunity.

**Docket #4-88:** Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by six, the Board adopted Existing Policy 2460 – Smoking on School Property.

**Docket #4-90:** Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by six, the Board adopted Existing Policy 3443 – Investments.

**Docket #4-91:** Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by six, the Board adopted Existing Policy 3444 – Purchasing.

**Docket #4-92:** Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by six, the Board adopted Existing Policy 4100 – Employee Code of Ethics.

**Docket #4-93:** Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by six, the Board adopted Existing Policy 5162 – Free and Reduced Price Food Service.

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Under **NEW BUSINESS** action was taken as follows:

**Docket #4-118:** Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by six, a resolution was adopted that the District incur the expense of Board Members or Administrators to attend NYSSBA's Policy Workshop on November 6, 19 or 20, 2014.

**Docket #4-119:** Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by six, the Board accepted the Independent Auditor's Report, prepared by Cullen & Danowski, LLP, for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2014.

Under **BOARD PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR** – No action was taken.

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Ms. Brohm again opened the meeting for residents to address the Board.

Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by six, the Business meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m. to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations and to receive advice of counsel.

Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by six, Executive Session was adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

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Theresa Bryant, Deputy District Clerk