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The **REGULAR MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING** of the Board of Education West Hempstead Union Free School District was called to order in the High School Video Conference Room on November 18 at 7:47 p.m.

PRESENT: Ms. Brohm, who presided, and four other members of the Board: Ms. Lotito, Mr. Mariano, Mr. Schindler and Mr. Trocchia. Ms. Rilling was absent. Also present were Mr. Hogan, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. O'Keefe, Mr. Guercio, Mr. Mestecky, Mr. Cleary, Ms. Bryant and members of the staff and community.

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

Mr. Hogan took a moment to recognize senior Daniel Brioso, who was the recipient of a $10,000 scholarship from Nordstroms.

Upon motion of Ms. Lotito and seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by five, the Board approved a motion to move Docket #4-133 to the top of the agenda.

Docket #4-133: Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by five, the Board approved the classification change of Varsity Cheerleading and JV Cheerleading from clubs to sports effective November 17, 2014.

Docket #4-123: The **MINUTES** of the Regular Business Meeting held on October 21, 2014 having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, were presented, and upon motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by five, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

Docket #4-124: The **MINUTES** of the Special Business Meeting held on October 28, 2014 having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, were

presented, and upon motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by five, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

Docket #4-125: The **TREASURER'S REPORT** for the month ended September 30, 2014, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, was presented, and upon motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by five, 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:** PTSA Co-President Loraine Magaraci reported that the PTSA meeting with Island Park went well and was well attended. PTSA was in the process of collecting non-perishables and was pleased with the support they were receiving from Island Park and the community. She mentioned that the chorus, led by Ms. McVetty, performed at the most recent PTSA meeting. She announced that at Thursday's joint PTA/PTSA/SEPTA meeting Ms. O'Farrell and Ms. Ferina will be in attendance to discuss Common Core and to assist parents in navigating through the Math and ELA program. She announced that PTSA is selling RAM blankets for $35.00 and on December 4th they will be holding a book fair at Barnes and Noble. She encouraged all to attend, or buy online using the PTSA group number, ensuring credit to PTSA.

PTA Co-President Andrea Shinsato reported that PTA collected enough money to sponsor two Thanksgiving dinners for those in need. She said that they were holding a meeting tomorrow evening to plan the PTA Social. She too encouraged all to attend the joint PTA/PTSA/SEPTA meeting to be held on Thursday, November 20th in the High School Video Conference Room.

Lauren Lee spoke on behalf of SEPTA. She announced that at the January 14th meeting a guest speaker will be discussing cyber-bullying. Ms. Lee said that SEPTA's Yankee Candle fundraising was a success. She also spoke about the Parent to Parent Workshop held on November 5th. Parent to Parent is a place where families of individuals with special needs and the professionals who serve them can meet and share information. She said that membership was down and encouraged all to join.

Student Council Co-President Kira Bettineschi announced that the Key Club was still accepting food donations for needy families this Thanksgiving in the High School main office. She said that frozen turkeys, if possible should be brought to the main office on Friday, November 21st. Student Council will be collecting unwrapped toys in the main office from now through December 15th. These toys will go to needy local families, as well as the Marines' Toys for Tots program. Donations will also be accepted at the Varsity girls' and boys' basketball games on Friday, December 5th. Student Council will have special prizes at half time and a presentation to Marine Corp. representatives. She said that eighth grade orientation was held on Wednesday, November 12th and was a great success. Many incoming students signed up for many extra-curricular activities. She announced that *Hairspray* auditions would be held on Wednesday, November 19th in Room 128 at 3:00 p.m.

Under **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** – Mr. Hogan turned the meeting over to Ms. Jankeloff, Director of PPS, who gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Special Education Department. She spoke about what groups fell under this department, recent regulatory changes, our demographics, programs, services, accomplishments and goals and visions.

Mr. Hogan then continued with his report stating that lockdown and early dismissal drills were completed. He announced that the next Building Better Schools Committee meeting would

be held on Monday, November 24th at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room at Chestnut Street and that the first Budget Café would be held on December 3rd in the High School Cafeteria. He encouraged all to attend the various winter concerts that will take place in our schools and wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

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

Docket #4-126: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by five, Appointments, Resignations, etc. were accepted, granted and approved as follows:

Topic: Probationary Appointment(s)

Name	Tenure Area	Certification	Salary	Effective	End of Probation
DeLuca, Antonella	Teaching Assistant GW	Teaching Assistant	$17.95/hr	11/3/14	11/3/17

Topic: Leave Replacement Appointment(s)

Name	Certification	Salary	Effective
Rickmers, David	Visual Arts	$56,324 plus neg. increase (pro-rated) 1 MA	11/24/14 – 3/9/15
Somma, Danielle	Students with Disabilities	$56,324 plus neg. increase (pro-rated) 1 MA	12/15/24 – 6/24/15

Topic: Appointment of School Monitor

Name	Position	Salary	Effective
Baldino, Nichole	School Monitor HANC	$14.67/hr. plus neg. increase	11/19/14 – 6/24/15

Topic: Per Diem Substitute Appointments

Name	Salary	Position
Avanzi, Vincenza	$90.00/day	Teacher
Pelaez-Shea, Gloria	$90.00/day	Teacher

Salem, Robert	$90.00/day	Teacher
Kabat, Michael	$11.36/hr.	Cleaner

Topic: Removal from Per Diem Substitute Lists

Name

Widem, Curtis

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

Name	Position	From	To
DiRico, Michele	Special Ed Teacher High School	12/15/14	6/24/15
Payton-McMillan, Stephanie	Teaching Assistant High School	11/3/14	t/b/d
Ross, Dinin, Cassie	Art Teacher High School	11/24/14	3/9/15
Ross-Dinin, Cassie	Art Honor Society Supervisor, High School	10/1/14	3/9/15
Scanlan, Matthew	Teaching Assistant Chestnut Street	1/5/15	1/16/15

Topic: **Regents Review Classes**

Name	Position	Salary	Period
Dunbar, Patricia	English	$67.00/hr. plus neg. increase	12/1/14 – 1/12/15 (maximum – 5 sessions)
Hanna, Chad	U.S. History	$67.00/hr. plus neg. increase	1/14/15 – 1/22/15 (maximum – 3 sessions)
Kufta, Jared	English	$67.00 /hr. plus neg. increase	12/1/14 – 1/12/15 (maximum – 5 sessions)
Loizides, Harry	Algebra 2/ Trigonometry	$67.00/hr. plus neg. increase	12/11/14 – 1/22/15 (maximum – 5 sessions)
McCarthy, Lisa	ESL	$67.00/hr. plus neg. increase	12/1/14 – 1/12/15 (maximum – 5 sessions)
Towers, Diana	Integrated Algebra	$67.00/hr. plus neg. increase	12/11/14 – 1/22/15 (maximum – 5 sessions)

Topic: **Appointment of Mentors**

The following appointment(s) be made for the 2014-15 school year at a salary of 654.52 plus negotiated increase:

Mentor	Subject Area
Bachas, Koula	ESL Teacher
Ferguson, Lili	ESL Teacher
Schiavo, Debra	ESL Teacher

Topic: **Appointment of EMT**

Name	Position	Salary	Period
Cook, John	EMT	$150.00 (per football game) $ 25.00/hr. (all other athletic contests)	11/17/14 – 6/30/15

Docket #4-127: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by five, the Board approved Extra Pay for Extra Responsibility positions as follows for the 2014-15 school year:

Name	Activity	Salary
Allison, Tyree	Girls' Assistant Varsity Track Coach	$4,755.00 + neg. increase
Carr, Geoffrey	Boys' Assistant Varsity Track Coach	$4,755.00 + neg. increase
Carre, Dominic	Boys' Varsity Co-Lacrosse Coach	$3,399.00 + neg. increase
Cloghessy, Kevin	Boys' JV Baseball Coach	$4,755.00 + neg. increase
Cloghessy, William	Boys' Varsity Baseball Coach	$6,798.00 + neg. increase
Maidhof, Matthew	Middle School Boys' Lacrosse Coach	$3,399.00 + neg. increase
Paul, Michael	Boys' Varsity Co-Lacrosse Coach	$3,399.00 + neg. increase
Polo, Anthony	Boys' JV Lacrosse Coach	$4,755.00 + neg. increase

			Effective
Rickmers, David	Art Honor Society Supervisor	$1,561.00 + neg. increase pro-rated	10/1/14 – t/b/d

Docket #4-128: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by five, the Board approved the tenure of Philip D'Elia as a Social Studies teacher effective December 19, 2014.

Docket #4-129: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by five, Docket No. 3-343 adopted on June 17, 2014 and Docket No. 4-7 adopted on July 15, 2014 were amended as highlighted below:

Name	Tenure Area	Certification	Salary	Effective	End of Probation
Quenqua, Lindsey	Mathematics Teacher	Mathematics 7-12	$67,589 5 MA plus neg. increase (pro-rated)	9/1/14	12/1/16

Name	Activity	Salary
Piazza, Lauren	Homework Center Supervisor	$67.00 per hour plus neg. increase prorated (45 minute session)

Pusateri, Virginia	Homework Center Supervisor	$67.00 per hour plus neg. increase prorated (45 minute session)
Santarelli, Margaret	Homework Center Supervisor	$67.00 per hour plus neg. increase prorated (45 minute session)

Docket #4-130: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by five, the Board approved the Elected and Appointed Officials' Working Hours as Reported to New York State.

Docket #4-131: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by five, the Board approved contracts for Professional Development services with Crisis Prevention Institute and Houghton Mifflin Harcourt.

Docket #4-132: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by five, the Board approved of contracts for Special Education Services with the Franklin Square Union Free School District for the 2014-15 school year.

Docket #4-134: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by five, the Board approved the Corrective Action Plan for the 2013–15.

Docket #4-135: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by five, the Board approved High School Club Charters.

Docket #4-136: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by five, that pursuant to the provision 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 ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR BUSINESS AND OPERATIONS**, 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 #4-137: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by five, the Board accepted the recommendations to add new vendors to the District vendor list.

Docket #4-138: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by five, the Board approved the budgetary transfers.

Docket #4-139: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mariano and carried by five, the Board approved the Use of Facilities as follows:

Organization	Day/Time	Room/Field
George Washington		
PTA 5th Grade Fun Day Mtg.	Thursday, October 30, 2014 7:30 pm-9:30 pm	Cafeteria
PTA Social Committee	Wednesday, November 19, 2014 7:30 pm-9:30 pm	Cafeteria
WH Water District	Tuesday, December 9, 2014 3:30 pm-9:00 pm, Water Dist. Election	Hallway
WH PAL	Tuesdays, April 1, 2015-June 23, 2015 7:00 pm-9:00 pm, Baton	Gym
	Thursdays, April 2, 2015-June 18, 2015 7:00 pm-9:00 pm, Girls Basket/Volleyball	Gym
	Mondays, April 6, 2015-June 22, 2015 7:00 pm-9:00 pm, Basketball	Gym
High School		
PTSA Sr. Prom Fashion Show Bake Sale	Tuesday, November 4, 2014 10:00 am-3:00 pm	Outside Gym
	Thursday-Friday, November 13-14, 2014 6:00 pm-10:00 pm	Lobby
	Friday, December 5, 2014 3:00 pm-8:00 pm	Outside Gym
	Thursday, December 18, 2014 6:00 pm-9:30 pm	Outside Auditorium
	Thursday, January 8, 2015 6:15 pm -9:00 pm	Hallway near Circle
	Friday, March 20, 2015 6:00 pm -9:30 pm.	Outside Auditorium
WH Chiefs Soccer	Monday, November 24, 2014 5:30 pm-10:00 pm, Awards Ceremony	Auditorium
	Sundays, Dec. 7, 2014-March 29, 2015 8:00 am-6:00 pm, Practice	Gym
WH PAL	Sundays, March 29, 2015-June 28, 2015 9:00 am-11:45 am, Track & Field	Track
Middle School		
PTSA 8th Grade Dance Bake Sale	Monday, November 3, 2014 5:00 pm-9:00 pm	MS Main Entrance

PTSA 8th Grade Dance Bake Sale	Tuesday, November 4, 2014 9:00 am-3:30 pm 5:30 pm-9:00 pm	Gym Hallway

Cornwell Avenue

YIWH	Thursday, November 27, 2014 9:30 am-11:30 am, Football Game	Field
	Sundays, Jan. 4, 2015-June 28, 2015 8:00 am-11:30 am, Softball/Football	Field
	Sundays, July 5, 2015-December 31, 2015 8:00 am-11:30 am, Adult Softball, Children's Soccer	Field
WH Chiefs Soccer	Tues/Thurs, Nov. 20, 2014 –Mar. 31, 2015 5:00 pm-10:00 pm, Practice	Gym

AMENDED PERMITS

Middle School

WHLL	Tues/Thurs, Nov. 18, 2014-April 15, 2015 7:00 pm-10:00 pm, Practice	Gym

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

There was no old business to be addressed.

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

Docket #4-140: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by five, a resolution was adopted that the District would incur the expense for board members and administration to attend NYSSBA's Winter Law Conference on December 9, 12, 2014 or January 14, 2015.

Docket #4-141: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by five, a resolution was adopted that the District incur the expense for board members and administration to attend the Nassau and Suffolk Academies of Laws' 2014 Annual School Law Conference on December 8, 2014.

Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by five, the following policies were motioned to discuss at the December 2, 2014 Policy Meeting:

4-142 Policy 3362 – Approval of Conference Expenses
4-143 Proposed New Policy – Food Service Account Insufficient Funds
4-144 Policy 4144 – Tutoring
4-145 Policy 5147 – Fraternities, Sororities and other Secret Societies

4-146 Policy 5148 – Gifts to Teachers
4-147 Policy 6115 – Daily Opening Exercises
4-148 Policy 6134 – Books, Equipment and Materials – Lost or Damaged
4-149 Policy 6136 Advertising Material

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Under **BOARD PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR –** There were no items for discussion. Ms. Brohm again opened the meeting for residents to address the Board.

At 8:36 p.m., upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by five, the meeting was adjourned to Executive Session to discuss negotiations and to seek advice of counsel.

At 10:15 p.m., upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by five, Executive Session was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Theresa Bryant
Deputy District Clerk