

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 March 18, 2014 at 7:40 p.m.

PRESENT: Ms. Brohm, who presided, and three other members of the Board: Ms. Kurko, Mr. Mariano and Mr. Schindler. **Absent:** Ms. Lotito, Ms. Peluso, Ms. Rilling and Mr. Trocchia. Also present were Mr. Hogan, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Sheahan, Ms. Spinelli, Ms. Girolamo and members of the staff and community.

Ms. Brohm turned the meeting over to Mr. Hogan to present Certificates of Achievement to students and staff. The Scholastic Art and Writing Awards Alliance for Young Artists and Writers recognized Daniel Brioso for four of his writings. Daniel received a Silver Key Award for his work entitled *Celestial Gift*, as well as three Honorable Mentions for work he submitted under the Persuasive Writing Category.

He then congratulated the 2013-2014 Varsity Basketball Conference A-4 Champions! The team finished with an 11-1 conference record and an overall record of 16-3. The team made it to the county quarterfinals for the playoffs. Honored were:

Anthony Beaubrun
Xavier Budhoo
Bryce Cohen
Darren Davy
Darius Francis
Aidan Grace
Rasheen Johnson
Derick Joseph

Dimitri Joseph
Sean Mashburn
Akil Philip
Aaron Rajpatty
Robert Smith
Donovan Steele
James Valerio

Darren Davy, Derick Joseph and Dimitri Joseph received All County post season honors;

Donovan Steele and Anthony Beaubrun received All Conference post season honors; Coach

Edward Cosgrove was named A-4 “Coach of the Year”; and Coach Chris Senia was always around to lend a hand.

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

Docket #3-249: The **MINUTES** of the Special Business Meeting/Executive Session held on February 10, 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 Mr. Mariano and carried by four, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

Docket #3-250: The **MINUTES** of the Regular Business Meeting held on February 11, 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 Mr. Mariano and carried by four, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

Docket #3-251: The **MINUTES** of the Public Hearing/Budget Workshop – Non-Instructional/Special Business Meeting held on March 4, 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 Mr. Mariano and carried by four, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

Docket #3-252: The **MINUTES** of the Special Business Meeting/Executive Session held on March 5, 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 Mr. Mariano and carried by four, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

Docket #3-253: The **MINUTES** of the Special Business Meeting/Budget Workshop - Instructional held on March 11, 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

Mr. Mariano and carried by four, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

Docket #3-254: The **TREASURER'S REPORT** for the month ended January 31, 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 Mr. Mariano and carried by four, 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:

PTSA Representative, Loraine Magaraci, informed residents that March 20th is the fundraiser at Governors Comedy Club for the Senior Prom. Tickets are \$20. Their presentation on the tax cap was a success and the PTA will be repeating that presentation and on March 19th all PTAs are participating in an e-mail campaign to local legislators asking to reinstate state aid.

Student Representatives, Jamie Rodriguez and Amanda Dias, gave a report on school happenings that included: Elections for Mr. and Mrs. West Hempstead campaigns will be from April 22nd to May 2nd; the National Honor Society will hold its annual blood drive on April 2nd and their induction ceremony will be held on April 7th; Junior Antonio Verderosa will be collecting eyeglasses with the help from the Lions Club; free SAT and ACT prep is available every Thursday after school in the High School Library and March 20th is the captain's meeting for Relay for Life.

Under **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** - Mr. Hogan began his report with the *Zombie Prom* play put on last weekend and that it was very entertaining; we still have to close a \$550,000 gap in the budget and we are waiting on the State budget to conclude; April 1st is the next Budget Meeting and April 22nd is the adoption of the budget; budget material can be found on the home page of the District's website; field use is at a premium and we are doing our best to maintain the

fields; next Tuesday the Board will meet with the District architects to begin discussion of a Bond proposal with the general topic being the formation of a committee to investigate possible bond projects and report to the Board with recommendations; and lastly, Friday, March 21st is now a regular school day.

Mr. Cunningham spoke on the maintenance of the fields, specifically Marian Delaney’s small field was torn up from being wet from snow and cleats on shoes creating damage. Fields will be closed for a week so they can be playable in the fall. The District is making every effort to get the fields in shape.

Mr. Hogan finished his report with tomorrow’s Strategic Planning meeting in the Middle School Cafeteria and the Fine Arts presentation will be in May.

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

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

Docket #3-255: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, Appointments, Resignations, etc. were 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>
Tuori, Rebecca	School Psychologist	School Psychologist	\$60,791 plus neg. increase (pro-rated) I MA + 30	3/19/14	3/19/17

Topic: Appointment of Monitor

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Period</u>
Brioso, Yoseline	School Monitor HANC	\$14.67/hr. (plus neg. increase)	3/19/14-6/26/14

Topic: Resignation Request(s) for Purpose of Retirement

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Daempfle, Tobias	Director of Science	\$131,728	8/12/14
Dailey, Linda	Physical Education/ Health Teacher CA	\$108,331	6/30/14
Eisen, Jeffrey	Elementary Teacher MS	\$120,725	6/30/14
Karalius, Elisa	Special Education Teacher - HS	\$116,594	6/30/14
Minchik, Richard	Science Teacher MS	\$112,463	6/30/14
Peluso, Ann	Assistant Superintendent	\$174,290	6/30/14
Roth, Cheryl	Elementary Teacher CA	\$120,725	6/30/14
Saul, Susan	Science Teacher HS	\$117,462	6/30/14
Sweet, Elaine	Math Teacher MS	\$100,069	6/30/14
Trunack, Stanley	Head Custodian MS	\$ 71,113	5/16/14
Zunno, Michael	Science Teacher HS	\$120,725	6/30/14

Topic: Resignation Request(s)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Gagliano, Joseph	Teaching Assistant CA	\$17.95/hr.	2/14/13
Modica, Melissa	CPSE Chairperson/ School Psychologist	\$72,949	3/13/14

Topic: Leave(s) of Absence

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Beriloff, Kristen	School Psychologist MS	3/20/14	5/2/14
Boles, AnnMarie	Occupational Therapist HANC	3/24/14	4/4/14
Rodriguez, Pedro	Custodian MS	1/18/14	3/3/14

Topic: Per Diem Substitute Appointments

<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Position</u>
Ayers, Anthony	\$90.00/day	Teacher
Barcia, Kristin	\$90.00/day	Teacher
Bazhdari, Robin	\$90.00/day	Teacher
Bettineschi, Kayla	\$90.00/day	Teacher
Como, Rossella	\$90.00/day	Teacher
DiPisa, Mirella	\$90.00/day	Teacher
Fried, Brittany	\$90.00/day	Teacher
Quirindongo, Vianca	\$90.00/day	Teacher

Topic: Removal from Per Diem Substitute Lists

Name

Bernstein, Marlene
O'Dwyer, Janet

Docket #3-256: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, the Board approved Extra Pay for Extra Responsibility as follows:

Topic: Extra Pay for Extra Responsibility

<u>Name</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Karroll, Desiree	Mentor Trainer (1-hour)	\$100.00
Maidhof, Matthew	MS Boys' Lacrosse Coach	\$3,399 plus neg. increase

Docket #3-257: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, the Board approved the Memorandum of Agreement – Interim Director of Special Education, Donna Bifulco.

Docket #3-258: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, the Board approved the Memorandum of Agreement – Interim CPSE Chairperson, Lorraine Pangallo.

Docket #3-259: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, the Board approved the Certification of Lead Evaluator – Mona Tobin.

Docket #3-260: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, the Board approved the Contracts for Special Education Services with Kornreich Technology Center at the Viscardi Center and Westbury Union Free School District.

Docket #3-261: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, the Board approved the Contracts for Special Education Services for Students Who Reside in other School Districts with East Meadow UFSD.

Docket #3-262: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, the Board approved the Health and Welfare Services Agreements with Great Neck UFSD, Hempstead UFSD and Jericho UFSD.

Docket #3-263: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, the Board approved the Agreement with SCOPE Education Services – Summer Program.

Docket #3-264: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, the Board approved the non-binding nominations of Deborah Coates, Eric Schultz and Stephen B. Witt for election as Board Trustees effective July 1, 2014.

Docket #3-265: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, the Board Accepted the Donations of \$995.00 from Wet Hempstead High School Club Central Treasury for Model Congress and \$200.00 from a private donor to be used for the Robotics Club.

Docket #3-266: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, 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 #3-267: Upon the motion of Mr. Mariano, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, the Board accepted the recommendations to add new vendors to the District vendor list.

Docket #3-268: Upon the motion of Mr. Mariano, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, the Board approved the budgetary transfers.

Docket #3-269: Upon the motion of Mr. Mariano, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, the Board approved the Amendment to Docket # 3-157 – Insurance – Fuel Tank Liability – adopted on November 19, 2013.

Docket #3-270: Upon the motion of Mr. Mariano, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, the Board approved the Bid – Roof Replacement and Masonry Repair Work at the High School/Middle School.

Docket #3-271: Upon the motion of Mr. Mariano, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, the Board approved Expanding Our Children’s’ Education and learning (EXCEL) Disbursement with the Dormitory Authority of the State of New York.

Docket #3-272: Upon the motion of Mr. Mariano, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, the Board approved the Use of Facilities as follows:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Day/Time</u>	<u>Room/ Field</u>
EAGLE AVENUE		
WH Chiefs Soccer	03/01/14 - 06/30/14 Mon-Fri – 4:00 p.m. - Dark Sat & Sun – 9:00 a.m. - Dark Soccer Practice & Games	Both Fields

GEORGE WASHINGTON

WH Chiefs Soccer	03/01/14 - 06/30/14 Mon-Fri – 4:00 p.m. - Dark Sat & Sun – 9:00 a.m. - Dark Soccer Practice & Games	Field
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HIGH SCHOOL

WH Chiefs Soccer	03/01/14 - 06/30/14 Sat – 1:00 p.m. - Dark Sun – 12:00 p.m. - Dark Soccer Practice & Games	Field
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WH PAL	03/16/14 - 06/08/14 Sun - 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Track & Field Activities	Track & Field
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Long Island Blood Services	04/02/14 Wed. – 6:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. National Honor Society Blood Drive	Gym
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Young Israel WH	03/01/14 – 06/30/14 Mon. – 7:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Basketball	Gym
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Young Israel WH	04/06/14 Sun – 11:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m. Basketball	Gym
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CHESTNUT STREET

WH Chiefs Soccer	03/01/14 - 03/31/14 Sat – 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Soccer Practice & Games	Field
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CORNWELL AVENUE

Young Israel WH	03/23/14 - 06/22/14 Sun - 10:45 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Baseball	Field
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Girl Scout Troop 1107	03/21/14 – 06/20/14 Fri. – 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Girl Scout Meetings	Cafeteria
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Young Israel WH	03/01/14 – 06/30/14 Sun – 7:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Basketball	Gym
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MIDDLE SCHOOL

WH Little League	04/01/14 – 07/01/14 Mon – Fri - 4:30 p.m. – Dark Sat – Sun – 9:00 a. m. – Dark Baseball/Softball	Both Fields
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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 #3-273: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, a resolution was adopted that the District incur the expense for Board Members and Administration to attend the Nassau BOCES Education Partner Awards on April 2, 2014.

Docket #3-274: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, the Board approved the Annual Meeting Date notice for the May 20, 2014 Budget Vote.

Docket #3-275: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, the Board approved Karen Brohm as the Chairperson for the Annual District Meeting on May 20, 2014.

Under **BOARD PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR** – Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Kurko and carried by four, Discussion of Yearbook Quotes was tabled to the next Board Meeting.

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

At 8:20 p.m., upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by seven, the Board closed the Business Meeting and adjourned to Executive Session to discuss personnel.

Upon the motion of Mr. Mariano, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by four, Executive Session adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

Kathryn Girolamo, District Clerk