

The **SPECIAL 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 April 1, 2014 at 7:38 p.m.

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

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

**Docket #3-277:** Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by seven, Appointments, Resignations, etc. were made, accepted, granted and approved as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Daszykowska, Lucyna	Nurse	\$90.00/day

Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito, and carried by seven the Special Business Meeting was adjourned to the **BUDGET WORKSHOP.**

Mr. Hogan opened the meeting updating residents on the impact of the state budget and some restored aid to the District. Mr. Hogan then turned the meeting over to Mr. Cunningham.

Mr. Cunningham gave a PowerPoint presentation on the progress of the 2014-15 Budget stating that the draft budget presently had a \$235,000 gap and what adjustments were made since the March 11<sup>th</sup> meeting. He gave a follow up to Board of Education questions and a brief review of the New York State Budget, which included \$300 million

allocated to New York City for Universal Pre-K and \$40 million for the rest of the state. He mentioned a Smart Schools Bond which will be put before voters in November 2014. If passed, it would mean \$900,000 to West Hempstead. Mr. Cunningham went on to explain why West Hempstead was getting less than the average 5.63% increase on Long Island. He explained that over the years West Hempstead has reduced transportation and BOCES expenditures which have reduced the amount of State Aid generated in these areas. Mr. Cunningham said that Administration would continue to refine the expenditure and revenue picture and present a balanced budget for adoption on April 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Residents then had the opportunity to ask their questions.

At 8:23 p.m. upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven, the Budget Workshop was adjourned to Executive Session to discuss personnel. At 10:50 p.m., upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Mr. Trocchia and carried by seven, Executive Session ended.

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Theresa Bryant, Deputy District Clerk