

The **REGULAR MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING/BUDGET HEARING** of the Board of Education West Hempstead Union Free School District was called to order in the High School Video Conference Room on May 6, 2014 at 7:40 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, Mr. Sheahan, Ms. Spinelli, Ms. Girolamo and members of the staff and community.

Before the meeting began, Mr. Hogan presented Certificates of Achievement to: Juziah Douglas, Malik Jones and Matthew Payamps after taking 4th place in the State Conference in Albany on March 29th due to the arm breaking off their robot during the competition and the students took 1st place in the Adelphi Middle School Robotics Competition. Also honored was Liam Brew, who was selected as a finalist at the Molloy College Science Fair and received 9th place and a cash award at a special awards ceremony on April 12th. Over 300 9th and 10th grade students from Nassau County were given the opportunity to present their science research projects to judges. Liam's project was entitled, "*Efficiency of Steam Engines and Model Locomotives.*"

Mr. Cunningham gave the final proposed 2014 - 15 Budget Hearing presentation, announcing a budget-to-budget increase of 2.80% and a tax levy increase of 1.42%. He summarized expenditures and Budget-to-Budget % changes to the Instructional Program 2.62%, Capital 0.85% and Administrative 7.15%, totaling 2.80%. Continuing into the future, the budget covers Rising Stars, STELLAR, 21st Century Skills, improved SAT and ACT preparation

opportunities, expanded Middle School electives and “deep” learning. Also covered was the 2014-15 proposed Revenue Budget. He encouraged all to vote on May 20th.

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

Docket #3-316: The **MINUTES** of the Regular Business Meeting/Budget Adoption held on April 22, 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. Rilling and carried by seven, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

Docket #3-317: The **MINUTES** of the Special Business Meeting - BOCES Budget Vote - held on April 24, 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. Rilling and carried by seven, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

Docket #3-318: The **MINUTES** of the Special Business Meeting held on May 1, 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. Rilling and carried by seven, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

Docket #3-319: The **TREASURER’S REPORT** for the month ended March 31, 2014, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, was presented, and upon motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by seven, 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:

PTA Corresponding Secretary, Claire Galofaro, announced their Spring Boutique is on May 8th and 9th, their next meeting is on May 19th, new web address of WHPTA@gmail.com, and on May 9th she asked the residents wear and businesses display the color purple to represent Relay for Life.

Student Representatives, Jamie Rodriguez and Amanda Dias, informed residents that Relay for Life will take place on June 7-8th and fundraising has begun; the National Honor Society's Quiz Bowl is on May 30th; the Key Club will have movie day on May 30th, featuring the movie, *Frozen*; Classnite was moved to June 13th; Athletic Awards Dinner for girls will be on June 3rd and for the boys on June 5th; and lastly, they thanked the Board for listening to all of their announcements and thanked them for their service to the community and the school district.

Under **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** - Mr. Hogan turned the meeting over to Arlene Martinez and Carolyn Probst, who gave a PowerPoint presentation on Music and Art. Ms. Probst covered the music portion that included K-elementary music appreciation, rhythms, music of the world and fluency and the language of music; secondary offerings include band, chorus, orchestra, jazz band, chamber choir and chamber orchestra and a new 8th grade elective – iMusic. She then covered musical theater that promotes acting, singing, dancing, pit orchestra, set design/construction, stage crew, lighting and costumes. Next was "Select Opportunities" that included 26 students were All County, 5 students were LISFA, 16 students were All State, 100 students performed at NYSSMA and the Tri-M Music Honor Society includes 9 of our students. Ms. Martinez then began with the Art portion of the presentation. Ms. Martinez spoke on the elements of art – shape, line, color, texture, space, value and form. Elementary art includes art history, artist biographies, incorporating technology, hands-on mathematical concept building

and tactile learning experiences. Secondary offerings include foundation of two-dimensional and three-dimensional art, development of self expression, focus on collaboration, student guided project development, beautification experiences, career awareness and portfolio creation and focus on self esteem and intrinsic academic motivation. Ms. Martinez also covered the photography students and their pictures and art work by students on display at the West Hempstead Library, and a current project being worked on for the Island Park schools.

Mr. Hogan thanked all the music and art teachers and administrators for a fine job.

Mr. Hogan then continued with his report, which included Building Better Schools Committee meeting again on May 27th; the school year is coming to a close and the next two months will be AP, Regents and Final Exams; and lastly, the budget and trustee vote is on May 20th from 6 a.m. to 9 p.m. He encouraged everyone to come out and vote.

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

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

Docket #3-320: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, Appointments, Resignations, etc. were made, accepted, granted and approved as follows:

Topic: Resignation Request(s) for Purpose of Disability Retirement

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Acocella-Hobbs, Donna	Elementary Teacher Cornwell Avenue	\$112,463	6/30/14

Topic: Part-time Teaching Appointment(s)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Kathleen, Woodworth	Technology Teacher Middle School (.4)	Technology Education	\$58,558 plus neg. increase (pro-rated) I MA + 15	9/1/14

Topic: School Monitor Appointment(s)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Period</u>
McCartney, Lorri	School Monitor	\$14.67 /hr. + neg. increase Step 1	5/7/14 – 6/26/14

Topic: Per Diem Substitute Appointments

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Hanley, Stefany	Teacher	\$90.00/day
McKay, Casey	Teacher	\$90.00/day
Perrone, Maureen	Teacher	\$90.00/day
Telesford, Alana	Teacher	\$90.00/day

Topic: Appointments for CPSE/CSE Summer Meetings 2014

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Baron, Steven	CSE Chairperson/ Psychologist	7/23/14, 7/24/14, 7/25/14 8/13/14, 8/14/14	\$624.29/day plus neg. increase
Hawxhurst, Dianne	Special Ed Teacher	7/23/14, 7/24/14, 7/25/14 8/13/14	\$603.63/day plus neg. increase
Isaacson, Suzanne	Speech Pathologist	7/23/14, 7/24/14, 7/25/14 8/13/14	\$603.63/day plus neg. increase
Mayer, Elyssa	CPSE Chairperson	7/23/14, 7/24/14, 7/25/14	\$319.15/day plus neg. increase
McVetty, Patricia	General Ed Teacher	7/24/14	\$582.97/day plus neg. increase
Scully, Annemarie	General Ed Teacher	8/13/14	\$456.80/day plus neg. increase

Topic: Appointments for Regents Review Classes

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Benson, Melissa	Integrated Geometry	\$67.00/hr. + neg. increase	5/14, 5/21, 5/28, 6/4
Daempfle, Tobias	Chemistry	\$67.00/hr. + neg. increase	5/15, 5/19, 6/4
Hanna, Chad	U.S. History	\$67.00/hr. + neg. increase	5/27, 6/2, 6/11
Kurzban, Sandra	Common Core Algebra	\$67.00/hr. + neg. increase	5/7, 5/14, 5/21, 5/28

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Livi, Jessica	Common Core Algebra	\$67.00/hr. + neg. increase	5/7, 5/14, 5/21, 5/28
Marder, Pam	Integrated Geometry	\$67.00/hr. + neg. increase	5/14, 5/21, 5/28, 6/4
Rowland, Cathieann	Integrated Algebra	\$67.00/hr. + neg. increase	6/4, 6/11
Senia, Christopher	Algebra 2/ Trigonometry	\$67.00/hr. + neg. increase	5/22, 5/29, 6/3, 6/5
Walker, Candice	English/ESL	\$67.00/hr. + neg. increase	5/14, 5/21, 5/28 6/4, 6/11
Walker, Candice	Global History/ESL	\$67.00/hr. + neg. increase	5/27, 6/2, 6/11
Ypsilantis, James	Earth Science	\$67.00/hr. + neg. increase	5/15, 5/19, 6/4

Topic: Appointments for Curriculum Projects

<u>Name</u>	<u>Project</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Grossane, Teresa Administrator	Create a Curriculum for <i>Invent to Learn</i>	\$169.87/day + neg. increase (5-hr. day – 1 day maximum)
Grossman, Allyson	Modify and Update <i>envisions</i> Pacing Guide (to include Assessment benchmarks) – Grade K	\$169.87/day + neg. increase (5-hr. day – 1 day maximum)
Hughes, Laurie	Create a Curriculum for <i>iMusic</i>	\$169.87/day + neg. increase (5-hr. day – 3 day maximum)
Kurzban, Sandra	Common Core Geometry Honors	\$169.87/day + neg. increase (5-hr. day – 2 day maximum)
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Lazaro, Danielle	Modify and Update <i>enVisions</i> Pacing Guide (to include Assessment benchmarks) – Grade 3	\$169.87/day + neg. increase (5-hr. day – 1 day maximum)
Levitt, Julie	Modify and Update <i>enVisions</i> Pacing Guide (to include Assessment benchmarks) – Grade 3	\$169.87/day + neg. increase (5-hr. day – 1 day maximum)
Manfre, Maria	Modify and Update <i>enVisions</i> Pacing Guide (to include Assessment benchmarks) – Grade 2	\$169.87/day + neg. increase (5-hr. day – 1 day maximum)
Martinez, Arlene Administrator	Create a Curriculum for <i>Art Smart</i>	\$169.87/day + neg. increase (5-hr. day – 1 day maximum)
Probst, Carolyn Administrator	Create a Curriculum for <i>iMusic</i>	\$169.87/day + neg. increase (5-hr. day – 1 day maximum)
Sena, Michelle	Modify and Update <i>enVisions</i> Pacing Guide (to include Assessment benchmarks) – Grade K	\$169.87/day + neg. increase (5-hr. day – 1 day maximum)

Simone, Gabriella Modify and Update *enVisions* \$169.87/day + neg. increase
Pacing Guide (to include (5-hr. day – 1 day maximum)
Assessment benchmarks) – Grade 2

Docket #3-321: Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, the Board approved the Superintendent’s Contract for the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017.

Docket #3-322: Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, and seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, the Board approved the School Conduct and Discipline Code for the 2014-15 school year.

Docket #3-323: Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, the Board approved the Response to Intervention (RtI)/Academic Intervention Services (AIS) Plan 2014-16.

Docket #3-324: Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, the Board approved the Health and Welfare Services Agreements with Floral Park-Bellerose and North Merrick UFSD.

Docket #3-325: Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, the Board approved the Special Education/Consultant Services Contracts 2013-14 with The Lavelle School for the Blind.

Docket #3-326: Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, the Board accepted the donation of a trumpet to the Music Department.

Docket #3-327: Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, 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 #3-328: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by seven, the Board accepted the recommendations to add new vendors to the District vendor list.

Docket #3-329: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by seven, the Board approved the budgetary transfers.

Docket #3-330: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by seven, the Board approved the Tax Anticipation Note Borrowing 2014-15.

Docket #3-331: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by seven, the Board approved the contract with Textbook Central for Textbooks.

Docket #3-332: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by seven, the Board approved the Driver Education Contract Extension – Summer 2014 to East Meadow Driving School.

Docket #3-333: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by seven, the Board rejected the Health Supplies Bid 2014-15.

Docket #3-334: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by seven, the Board approved the Use of Facilities as follows:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Day/Time</u>	<u>Room/ Field</u>
<u>HIGH SCHOOL</u>		
Prestige Portraits/ Lifetouch Photographers	June 2, 2014, June 3, 2014 June 4, 2014, June 5, 2014 7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Senior Portraits for Class of 2015	Video Conf. Rm.

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

There was no old business to be addressed.

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

No action taken on Docket #3-335.

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

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

At 8:25 p.m., upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven, the Board adjourned to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations and personnel.

At 10:34 p.m., upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by seven, Executive Session was adjourned.

Kathryn Girolamo, District Clerk