

Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by four, **EXECUTIVE SESSION** began at 7:15 p.m. for the purpose of discussing contract negotiations. Mr. Trocchia arrived at 7:25 p.m. Upon the motion of Ms. Brohm, seconded by Mr. Trocchia and carried by five, the meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

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 May 7, 2013 at 7:39 p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. Mariano, who presided, and four other members of the Board: Ms. Brohm, Ms. Lotito, Mr. Schindler and Mr. Trocchia. Ms. Rilling was absent. Also present were Mr. Hogan, Ms. Peluso, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Sheahan, Ms. Spinelli, Ms. Bryant and members of the staff and community.

The meeting began with the Library Budget presentation by Ms. Regina Mascia. Ms. Mascia announced that there was a 1.75% increase in the 2013-2014 budget due to an increase in retirement and health insurance expenses. She also mentioned that the library added a bi-lingual library aide who, in addition to her clerical duties, will hold conversational Spanish classes and book discussions in Spanish. The library is also adding adult books and DVDs in Spanish, as well cable show DVDs in an effort to accommodate those who are unable to afford cable television.

Mr. Cunningham gave the final proposed 2013–2014 Budget Hearing presentation, announcing a budget-to-budget increase of 0.88% and a tax levy increase of 3.55%. He summarized expenditures and announced a decrease in allocations for legal fees and property and casualty insurance. He said that there was a 4.38% increase in the capital summary portion

of the budget due to the assumption of operation and maintenance costs of the Marian Delaney facility, which may be offset by the new tenant. Mr. Cunningham discussed capital projects and the proposed Revenue Budget. He encouraged all to vote on May 21st.

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

Docket #2-308: The **MINUTES** of the Regular Business Meeting/Budget Adoption held on April 16, 2013, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, were presented, and upon motion of Ms. Brohm, 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 #2-309: The **MINUTES** of the BOCES Budget Vote held on April 17, 2013, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, were presented, and upon motion of Ms. Brohm, 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 #2-310: The **TREASURER'S REPORT** for the month ended March 31, 2013, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, was presented, and upon motion of Ms. Brohm, seconded by Mr. Schindler 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** action took place as follows:

Mr. Mariano scheduled a Sports Council Meeting for Wednesday, May 22nd at 7:30 p.m. in the High School Video Conference Room.

PTSA Co-President Loraine Magaraci spoke about the joint PTSA/PTA/ SEPTA meeting on May 1st. CAPS gave an informative presentation entitled "Bullying and Cyberbullying:

What Parents Need to Know.” Mrs. Magaraci also announced that the PTSA meeting schedule for June 3rd has been rescheduled for June 10th.

SEPTA representative, Theresa Walz, invited all to attend the next SEPTA meeting on May 15th. A speaker from Adelphi University will speak about the transition of students from high school to college. She also invited all to attend the Installation Dinner on May 30th.

Under **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT** - Mr. Hogan turned the meeting over to Ms. Peluso who gave a PowerPoint presentation on STELLAR/Enriching the Curriculum. She explained the objectives and went through each component of the program. Ms. Peluso announced that the Social Studies Department will lead the way by offering an honors level curriculum to all students in 7th, 8th and 9th grades. She spoke of additional Advanced Placement courses and how the District is exploring the expansion of honors classes with the goal for each student to soar beyond expectations.

Mr. Hogan then continued with his report announcing that the interviewing process for positions open have begun with the goal to have candidates for the Board to consider at the June Business Meeting; the High School has again been named to *Newsweek’s* list of the top 2,000 high schools in the United States – coming in at 1,142, and the 2011/2012 Report Card will be presented at the June Business Meeting. Mr. Hogan encouraged all to attend the Chestnut Street 100 Anniversary Celebration on May 16th; the Budget and Trustee Vote on May 21st and all District-wide concerts. He reminded everyone to check the District calendar for concerts and academic and athletic awards events.

Mr. Mariano then opened the meeting for residents to address the Board.

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

Docket #2-311: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Brohm and carried by five, Appointments, Resignations, etc. were made, accepted, granted and approved as follows:

Topic: Resignation Request(s) for Purpose of Retirement

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Fink, Betty	School Nurse George Washington	\$67,315	6/22/13

Topic: Leave(s) of Absence

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Dato, Vanessa	Elementary Teacher George Washington	5/23/13	6/21/13
Wezenter, Kate	Reading Teacher George Washington	4/17/13	6/21/13

Topic: Appointment of Leave Replacement Teacher(s)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Hanson, Carol	Elementary Ed (1-6)	\$56,324 (pro-rated) IMA	5/23/13 – 6/21/13
McBrien, Sheri	Reading (K-12)	\$67,589 (pro-rated) 5MA	4/17/13 – 6/21/13

Topic: Substitute Appointment for Elementary ELA/Math Prep Classes

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Santoro, John	Substitute ELA/Math Prep Classes	\$67.00 per hour	2/1/13 – 4/30/1300

Topic: Appointments for Regents Review Classes Rescinded

Lambo, Michelle – US History

Topic: Appointment of Nurses for Sports Physicals

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date(s)</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Bongiorno-Fenick, Angela	8/21/13	\$331.57/day plus neg. increase
DeStasio, Kathleen	8/7/13, 8/14/13	\$307.16/day plus neg. increase
Miller, Reva	8/28/13, 8/29/13	\$307.16/day plus neg. increase
Ross, Kimberly	8/26/13, 8/27/13	\$90.00/day (pro-rated)
Wood, Patricia	8/7/13, 8/14/13, 8/21/13	\$295.05/day plus neg. increase

Topic: Per Diem Substitute Appointments

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Cloghessy, Kevin	Teacher	\$90.00/day
Widem, Curtis	Teacher	\$90.00/day

Topic: Appointment of Monitors

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Period</u>
Grasso-Orbeta, Joanne	Monitor	\$14.11 /hr. + neg. increase Step 2	7/1/13-7/26/13
Marmara, Maryrose	Monitor	\$15.40/hr. + neg. increase Step 4	7/1/13-7/26/13

Docket #2-312: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Brohm and carried by five, a resolution was adopted that Extra Pay for Extra Responsibility be approved as follows:

Topic: Extra Pay for Extra Responsibility

<u>Name</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Salary</u>
DePaola, Cristina	CPSE State Reporting	\$54.02 per hour (25 hour maximum)

Topic: Extra Pay for Extra Responsibility

<u>Name</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Salary</u>
<u>High School</u>		
Bosch, Keith	Cross Country Coach	\$4,531 + neg. increase
Carr, Geoffrey	JV Football Coach	\$5,637 + neg. increase
Carre, Dominic	Varsity Football Coach	\$8,058 + neg. increase
Cosgrove, Edward	Boys' Varsity Basketball Coach	\$6,798 + neg. increase
Dailey, Linda	Girls' Varsity Tennis Coach	\$5,281 + neg. increase
Dailey, Linda	Girls' Bowling Coach	\$3,274 + neg. increase
Dooley, Ryan	Boys' JV Volleyball Coach	\$4,755 + neg. increase
Gewirtz, Robert	Boys' Winter Track Coach	\$6,292 + neg. increase
Goldrick, Edward	Assistant Varsity Football Coach	\$6,443 + neg. increase
Hovanec, Michael	Boys' JV Soccer Coach	\$4,755 + neg. increase
Hutt, Tracy	Girls' JV Volleyball Coach	\$4,755 + neg. increase
Kenney, Suzanne	Girls' Varsity Volleyball Coach	\$6,798 + neg. increase
Nappi, Gina	Girls' Varsity Swimming Coach	\$5,281 + neg. increase
Senia, Chris	Boys' JV Basketball Coach	\$4,755 + neg. increase
Silberman, Michael	Boys' Bowling Coach	\$3,274 + neg. increase
Valentino, Michael	Girls' JV Soccer Coach	\$4,755 + neg. increase
VanKovics, Chris	Boys' Varsity Soccer Coach	\$6,798 + neg. increase
VanKovics, Chris	Girls' Varsity Basketball Coach	\$6,798 + neg. increase
Wilson, Andrew	Boys' Varsity Volleyball Coach	\$6,798 + neg. increase

Middle School

Blyskal, Terry	Boys' Soccer Coach	\$3,399 + neg. increase
Blyskal, Terry	Boys' Basketball Coach (Winter I)	\$3,399 + neg. increase

Blyskal, Terry	Girls' Basketball Coach (Winter II)	\$3,399 + neg. increase
Bourazeris, Dean	Assistant Football Coach	\$3,875 + neg. increase
Gewirtz, Robert	Assistant Football Coach	\$3,875 + neg. increase
Gould, Dina	Cross Country Coach	\$3,399 + neg. increase
Hanna, Chad	Football Coach	\$4,574 + neg. increase
Minchik, Richard	Girls' Soccer Coach	\$3,399 + neg. increase
Minchik, Richard	Girls' Volleyball Coach (Winter I)	\$3,399 + neg. increase
Towers, Dianna	Cheerleading Coach	\$1,697 + neg. increase
Wilson, Andrew	Boys' Volleyball Coach (Winter II)	\$3,399 + neg. increase

Docket #2-213: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, and seconded by Ms. Brohm, and carried by five, the Board approved Tenure Appointments as follows:

Topic: Tenure Appointments

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Grey, Colin	Social Studies teacher	9/1/13
Kalinowski, Dana	Special Education teacher	9/1/13
Maguire, Kara	Elementary teacher	9/1/13
Mills, Adam	Special Education teacher	9/1/13
Piazza, E. Lauren	Special Education teacher	9/1/13
Walls, Miriam	Special Education teacher	9/1/13

Docket #2-314: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Brohm, and carried by five, the Board approved the following Abolishment of Positions:

- Topic: Abolishment of Positions**
- One (1) Math Teaching Position
 - One(1) Science Teaching Position
 - One (1) Physical Education/Health Teaching Position
 - One (1) Physical Education Teaching Position
 - Two (2) Art Teaching Positions

Docket #2-315: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Brohm, and carried by five, the Board approved the Memorandum of Agreement with the West Hempstead Administrators and Supervisors Association for the period July 1, 2013 through June 30, 2017.

Docket #2-316: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Brohm and carried by five, the Board approved a Department of Homeland Security Audit.

Docket #2-317: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Brohm and carried by five, the Board approved the Health and Welfare Services Agreements with Manhasset Public Schools and North Merrick UFSD.

Docket #2-318: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Brohm and carried by five, the Board approved the Consultant/Special Education Services Contracts 2013-14 with East Williston UFSD, Horizon Healthcare and Islip Tutoring.

Docket #2-319: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Brohm and carried by five, the Board accepted donations from General Mills Box Tops for Education for Chestnut, Cornwell and George Washington schools; and donations for the Chestnut Street School 100 Year Anniversary Celebration: \$100 from the WH Chamber of Commerce, \$50 from National Wholesale Liquidators and 18 helium balloons from Sandy's Party Supply.

Docket #2-320: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Brohm and carried by five, 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 #2-321: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by five, the Board accepted the recommendations to add new vendors to the District vendor list.

Docket #2-322: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by five, the Board approved the budgetary transfers.

Docket #2-323: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by five, the Board approved the Bid for Drivers Education to East Meadow Driving School.

Docket #2-324: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by five, the Board approved the contract with Textbook Central for Textbooks.

Docket #2-325: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by five, the Board approved the Use of Facilities as follows:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Day/Time</u>	<u>Room/ Field</u>
CORNWELL AVENUE		
YIWH	07/01/13-08/26/13 Mon – 6:00-9:30 p.m. Women’s Softball	Softball Field

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

Docket #2-276b: Upon the motion of Ms. Brohm, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by five, the Board approved the Resignation Request.

Docket #2-282: Upon the motion of Ms. Brohm, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by five, the Board approved the Agreement with Nassau BOCES Department of Instructional Programs and Alternative School Regional Summer School Program.

Docket #2-285: Upon the motion of Ms. Brohm, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by five, the Board approved the Lease Agreement with the Board of Education and Gersh Academy.

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

Docket #2-326: Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Mr. Schindler, and carried by five, a resolution was adopted that the District incur the expense of Board members and Administration to attend NYSSBA’s webinar, “Voting for Your Board Officers: Does Seniority Matter?” on May 15, 2013.

Docket #2-327: Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Mr. Schindler, and carried by five, a resolution was adopted that the District incur the expense of Board members and

Administration to attend NYSSBA's webinar, "New Member Orientation to Maximize School Board Performance" on May 29, 2013.

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

Mr. Mariano again opened the meeting for residents to address the Board.

At 8:51 p.m., upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Brohm and carried by five, the Board adjourned to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing WHEA negotiations, personnel and Superintendent's Evaluation.

At 10:20 p.m., upon the motion of Ms. Brohm, seconded by Mr. Trocchia and carried by five, Executive Session was adjourned.

Theresa Bryant, Deputy District Clerk