

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 April 17, 2012 at 7:41 p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. Ejnes, who presided, and six other members of the Board: Ms. Di Miceli, 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. Mr. Guercio arrived at 8:40 p.m.

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

Docket #1-294: The **MINUTES** of the Regular Business Meeting held on March 20, 2012, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, were presented, and upon motion of Ms. Di Miceli, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

Docket #1-295: The **MINUTES** of the Special Business/Budget Workshop held on March 27, 2012, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, were presented, and upon motion of Ms. Di Miceli, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

Docket #1-296: The **MINUTES** of the Audit Committee Meeting held on April 3, 2012, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, were presented, and upon motion of Ms. Di Miceli, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven, that

the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

Docket #1-297: The **TREASURER'S REPORT** for February 2012 having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, was presented, and upon motion of Ms. Rilling, 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:

SEPTA member, Theresa Walz, announced the next meeting is on May 6th and the Installation Dinner is on May 31st. PTA Co-President, Karen Brohm, informed the audience that the joint meeting is on April 25th in the Middle School Cafeteria; next week is a Texting and Driving presentation and all are welcome; May 9th is the Candidates' Forum and the next meeting is on May 23rd. PTSA's report, courtesy of Lorraine Magarachi, announced that the Fashion Show on March 29th raised over \$2,000, their Psychic Dinner was a success and on April 26th they are having a Vendor Fair.

Student Council Representatives, Briahana Mauge and Nychelle Lowe, gave a report on happenings in the high school including the 1st Annual Shine event to be held at the Middle School on April 22 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The event focuses on health, fitness and environmental awareness. The community is encouraged to ride their bicycles to the event. There will be raffles with the proceeds going to the National Stroke Association. The National Honor Society is hosting the annual blood drive on April 24th; the 2012 Yearbook is complete and looking great; and lastly, the senior class is having a fundraiser selling items from Pampered Chefs to help with the cost of the prom. Pampered Chefs is donating 25% of the proceeds.

Under **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** – Mr. Hogan began by welcoming Holy Trinity Students that were in the audience; the West Hempstead Shines' Event; Dance Party of 2012; seniors opening a time capsule they buried from when they were students in George Washington; 9/11 garden planting at George Washington; the District is now on Twitter on the District's homepage on the web; the District is looking for residents to serve on the Space Utilization Committee and it will be posted shortly on the website. Mr. Hogan then turned the meeting over to Ms. Peluso, who presented a PowerPoint to the Board on Measuring Student Growth.

Ms. Peluso covered Metric: A standard of measurement, both quantitative and qualitative; sharing student data; Strategic Plan 2011-14; using data to improve instruction; what metrics we use to measure student achievement in all grades; data access and use; academic excellence; instructional improvements; educational equity; subgroup analysis; performance targets 2011-12; strategies to raise student achievement 2012-13; three simple steps to reach our goal and lifelong quest for learning. The Board asked questions during and after the presentation.

Mr. Hogan gave a brief presentation on changes to the budget since the last meeting. The budget-to-budget increase is now 1.46% with a 2.58% tax levy; a guidance counselor position was reinstated, wireless connections will be completed this summer and intramurals at the Middle School and elementary schools have been added back into the budget. George Washington's blacktop and the High School marquee have been taken out of the budget. The Board then discussed the changes to the budget.

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

Under **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION** action took

place as follows:

Docket #1-298: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven,

Appointments, Resignations, etc. were made, accepted, granted and approved as follows:

Topic: Appointment of Teaching Assistant

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>	<u>End of Probation</u>
Murray, Ayana	Teaching Assistant – CA	Childhood Education	\$17.50/hr. Step 1	4/25/12	4/25/15

Topic: Appointment of Custodian

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Marciano, James	Custodian MS	\$44,166 Step 1	4/18/12

Topic: Per Diem Substitute Appointments

<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>
DiMarco, Crystal	\$90.00/day
Monahan, Meaghan	\$90.00/day
Roth, Jennifer	\$90.00/day

Topic: Removal from Per Diem Substitute Lists

Anderson, Sarah	Kopec, Lauren
Boison, Allison	Kraut, Debra
Burke, Daniel	Lettieri, Alexandra
Cella, Kimberly	Lewis, Elvis
Clemente, Cari	Marchell, Lauren
Delvecchio, Catherine	McGovern, Kimberly
Diller, Nicole	Mille, Darlene
Ferranola, Shirley	Moir, Jessica
Ghanoo, Carlene	Nadav, Michelle
Gross, Shifra	Nerdalen, Elisabet
Harris, Lynn	Rierner, Liv
Heaphy, Susan	Sinatro, Pamela
Kiernan, Michele	Stern, Saul
Knoernschild, Kimberly	Vermaelen, Kathleen

Topic: Appointments for CPSE/CSE Summer Meetings 2012

<u>Name</u>	<u>Dates</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Baron, Steven	7/24, 7/25, 7/26, 8/15	\$615.06/day
DePaola, Christina	7/24, 7/25, 7/26, 7/31	\$372.56/day
Hawxhurst, Dianne	7/24, 7/25, 7/26, 8/15	\$594.71/day
Isaacson, Suzanne	7/24, 7/25, 7/26, 8/15	\$594.71/day
Messina, Edna	7/25	\$562.57/day
Roth, Cheryl	8/15	\$594.71/day

Docket #1-299: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, 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>	<u>Effective</u>
<u>High School</u>			
Ragin, Linda	End-of-Year Guidance/ Summer School Registration	\$572.91/day	6/25/12, 6/26/12, 6/27/12
	School Opening Preparation/ Scheduling	\$578.64/day	8/21/12, 8/27/12, 8/28/12, 8/29/12, 8/30/12
Schreiber, Karen	End-of-Year Guidance/ Summer School Registration	\$522.57/day	6/25/12, 6/26/12, 6/27/12
	School Opening Preparation/ Scheduling	\$527.79/day	8/21/12, 8/27/12, 8/28/12, 8/29/12, 8/30/12
Seeberger, Donna	End-of-Year Guidance/ Summer School Registration	\$568.68/day	6/25/12, 6/26/12, 6/27/12
	School Opening Preparation/ Scheduling	\$574.36/day	8/21/12, 8/27/12, 8/28/12, 8/29/12, 8/30/12
Tammany, Jillian	End-of-Year/ Summer School Registration	\$288.45/day	6/25/12, 6/26/12, 6/27/12

Middle School

Cangialosi, Connie	End of Year Guidance	\$557.00/day	6/25/12
	School Opening Preparation/ Scheduling	\$562.57/day	8/27/12, 8/28/12, 8/29/12
Caruthers, Matthew	End of Year Guidance	\$525.17/day	6/25/12
	School Opening Preparation/ Scheduling	\$530.42/day	8/27/12, 8/28/12, 8/29/12
Basile, Michele	Detention Supervisor	\$26.59 (per ½ hr. session)	4/18/12 – 6/22/12
Santarelli, Margaret	Detention Supervisor	\$26.59 (per ½ hr. session)	4/18/12 – 6/22/12

Docket #1-300: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven, the Board approved the Amendment to Docket #1-34 adopted on August 16, 2011.

Docket #1-301: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven, the Board approved the Amendment to Contract for the Director of Facilities for the 2011-12 school year.

Docket #1-302: Ms. Di Miceli requested a motion for Executive Session on this docket, then withdrew her request. Upon the motion of Ms. Di Miceli, seconded by Mr. Schindler and

carried by seven, the Board motioned to table this docket to the end of the meeting to discuss in Executive Session.

Docket #1-303: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven, the Board approved the Career and Technical Education (CTE) Reserve Resolution and other New CTE Initiatives.

Docket #1-304: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven, the Board approved the Tentative Administrative Budget of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services in the amount of \$19,305,205 for the 2012-13 school year.

Docket #1-305: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven, the Board approved the Election of Members of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Susan Bergtraum, Martin R. Kaye and Michael Weinick.

Docket #1-306: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, the Board approved the Fire Safety Report for 2011-12.

Docket #1-307: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, and seconded by Ms. Lotito, and carried by five, Ms. Di Miceli and Mr. Schindler opposed, a resolution was adopted that the West Hempstead Union Free School District Budget for the 2012 - 2013 school year in the amount of \$55,188,693 be approved, and hereby adopted by this Board and authorized the placement of a proposition on the voting machines and the raising of such taxes as necessary to provide for said budget.

Docket #1-308: Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Mr. Mariano, and carried by five, Ms. Di Miceli and Mr. Schindler opposed, a resolution was adopted that the Board of Education approve the Property Tax Report Card for school year 2012 - 2013

Docket #1-309: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Ms. Lotito, and carried by seven, the Board appointed election inspectors for the voting machines for the May 15, 2012 Budget Vote Election.

Docket #1-310: Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by seven, the Board approved the Calendar of Board of Education Meetings for the 2012-13 school year, as amended.

Docket #1-311: Upon the motion of Ms. Di Miceli, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven, the Board approved the Health and Welfare Services Agreements with Malverne Union Free School District and Manhasset Public Schools.

Docket #1-312: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven, the Board approved the Contracts for Special Education Consultant Services 2011-12.

Docket #1-313: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, the Board approved the Contracts for Special Education Consultant Services 2012-13, as amended.

Docket #1-314: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Ms. Lotito 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 #1-315: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven, the Board accepted the recommendations to add new vendors to the District vendor list.

Docket #1-316: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, the Board approved the budgetary transfers.

Docket #1-317: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, the Board approved the Bid on Musical Equipment, Audio and Supplies for the 2012-13 school year.

Docket #1-318: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, the Board approved the Bid on Custodial Supplies for the 2012-13 school year.

Docket #1-319: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, the Board approved the Inter-municipal Cooperative Transportation Agreement.

Docket #1-320: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, the Board approved the Disposition of Equipment.

Docket #1-321: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, the Board approved the Use of Facilities as follows:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Day/Time</u>	<u>Room/ Field</u>
CORNWELL AVENUE		
YIWH	07/02/12-08/28/12 Mon – 6:00-9:30 p.m. Women’s Softball	Fields
HIGH SCHOOL		
WH Basketball Association	04/17/12-06/21/12 Tues & Thurs – 7:00-9:00 p.m. Basketball Practice	Gym
YIWH	04/23/12-06/18/12 Mon – 7:30-10:00 p.m. Basketball	Gym
MIDDLE SCHOOL		
WH Yankees Baseball	04/22/12-08/31/12 Sun – 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Baseball Games	Baseball Field

*WH Little League & WH Yankees will work field times out for Sunday among either other

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 #1-322: Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Ms. Rilling, and carried by seven, a resolution was adopted that the District incur the expense of the Superintendent to attend the American Association of School Administrators' 2012 Summer Leadership Institute on June 28-29, 2012.

Docket #1-323: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling, and carried by seven, a resolution was adopted that the District incur the expense of Board members and Administration to attend NYSSBA's "Getting the Most Out of Your Audit Committee" webinar on April 18, 2012.

Docket #1-324: Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling, and carried by seven, the Board approved the Community Letter for Inclusion in the Budget Edition of *The Educator*. Mr. Ejnes asked to amend the vote and upon the motion of Ms. Di Miceli, seconded by Mr. Trocchia and carried by seven, the vote was changed to five-two with Ms. Di Miceli and Mr. Schindler opposing.

Under **BOARD PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR** – Mr. Ejnes wished to discuss a Student Roundtable. Mr. Ejnes stated the date was pushed back from late May to early June due to testing, at which time they will receive input from graduates also. The Board discussed who to include from the student body and if they should limit it to High School students only. Consensus of the Board was to include 6th to 8th graders, depending on testing dates.

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

At 11:05 p.m., Ms. Di Miceli requested that Docket #1-302 be un-tabled. Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by seven, the Board adjourned the Business Meeting to Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular individual. At 11:25 p.m., upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven, the Board reconvened the Business Meeting.

Docket #1-302: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven, the Board approved the Extension of Probationary Period on a particular individual.

At 11:26 p.m. upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Mr. Trocchia and carried by seven, the Board reconvened Executive Session for the purposes of seeking legal advice from counsel and to discuss the employment record of a particular individual.

Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, Executive Session adjourned at 12:25 a.m.

Kathryn Girolamo, District Clerk