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The **ANNUAL REORGANIZATION MEETING** of the Board of Education West Hempstead Union Free School District was called to order in the Chestnut Street Board Room on July 6, 2010 at 7:35 p.m.

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PRESENT: Six members of the Board: Mr. Brita, Ms. Di Miceli, Ms. Lotito, Mr. Mariano, Ms. Rilling and Mr. Schindler. Mr. Ejnes was absent. Also present were Mr. Hogan, Ms. Peluso, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Richard Guercio, Ms. Castonguay and Ms. Girolamo.

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Following the call to order by Mr. John J. Hogan, Superintendent of Schools, the District Clerk gave the Oath of Office to elected Board Members Anthony Brita, Cynthia Di Miceli and Rudolf F. Schindler.

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The Acting Chairman, Mr. Hogan, then called for **NOMINATIONS FOR PRESIDENT,** whereupon Ms. Rilling nominated Pamela Lotito to that office, seconded by Mr. Mariano. There being no further nominations, nominations were declared closed. Pamela Lotito was declared elected as President by unanimous vote. The District Clerk then gave the Oath of Office to President Lotito.

Upon taking the Chair, the President called for **NOMINATIONS FOR VICE-PRESIDENT**, whereupon Mr. Mariano nominated Walter Ejnes to that office, seconded by Ms. Lotito. There being no further nominations, nominations were declared closed. Walter Ejnes was declared elected as Vice-President by unanimous vote.

APPOINTMENTS were made for the 2010 - 2011 school year as follows:

Upon motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Brita, and carried unanimously, Kathryn Girolamo was appointed as District Clerk and Secretary to the Board; Theresa Bryant was appointed as Deputy District Clerk; Diane Castonguay was appointed as District Treasurer; Gina Smith was appointed Deputy District Treasurer, the firm of Guercio & Guercio was appointed as Board Counsel; Dr. Eric Shoenfeld was appointed as Medical Inspector; the firm of Cullen & Danowski LLP was appointed as External Auditor; BJLJ was appointed Architect, BOCES was appointed as Public Relations; Thomas McLaughlin was appointed as Internal Claims Auditor; Sheehan and Company was appointed as Internal Auditor, Diane Castonguay was appointed Financial Statement Accountant; Alvaro Escobar was appointed as Records Management Officer; Kathryn Girolamo was appointed Records Access Officer; Richard Cunningham was appointed Purchasing Agent and Ann Peluso was appointed Deputy Purchasing Agent, all for the 2010 - 2011 school year.

The Oath of Office was then given to Kathryn Girolamo, District Clerk, and Diane Castonguay, District Treasurer, by President Lotito.

Ms. Lotito gave the Oath of Office to Mr. Hogan.

Upon motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Mr. Mariano, and carried unanimously, the Board motioned to amend the following list:

STANDING COMMITTEES were appointed by the President as follows:

Building and Grounds

1.	Chestnut Street	W. Ejnes/R. Schindler
2.	Cornwell Ave.	A. Brita/R. Schindler
3.	Marian Delaney	C. Di Miceli/W. Ejnes
4.	George Washington	A. Brita/P. Lotito
5.	Middle School	J. Mariano/C. Rilling
6.	High School	J. Mariano/C. Rilling

Fiscal Affairs Committee of the Whole

Community and Private School Liaison	C. Rilling/P. Lotito
Liaison to PTA, PTSA and SEPTA	J. Mariano/C. Rilling P. Lotito/ C. Di Miceli
Liaison to the Civic Association	P. Lotito/ W. Ejnes
Audit	Committee of the Whole Two Community Residents
Liaison to BOCES	A. Brita
Space Utilization Committee	Committee of the Whole
Sports Committee Liaison	J. Mariano/C. Di Miceli C. Rilling/P. Lotito Alternates
Health and Safety Committee	J. Mariano/P. Lotito/R. Schindler
Liaison to Strategic Planning Committee	T. Brita/W. Ejnes/P. Lotito/J. Mariano C. Di Miceli
Superintendent Evaluation Committee	Chairperson - W. Ejnes C. Di Miceli/ R. Schindler
Residents Budget Advisory Committee	Chairperson – A. Brita P. Lotito/J. Mariano Five or six residents/ R. Cunningham

On the motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Mr. Mariano, and carried unanimously, the Board approved the changes to the listings.

On the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Ms. Di Miceli, and carried unanimously, the Board adopted the listings.

BONDING: On the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Schindler, and carried unanimously, that the Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer shall be bonded as heretofore in the amount of $900,000 each.

On motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Brita, and carried unanimously the Board motioned to discuss the following:

DESIGNATION OF SIGNATORY: On motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Mr. Mariano, and carried unanimously, that the Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer be designated as signatory on payroll and all other checks.

On motion of Mr. Mariano, seconded by Ms. Rilling, and carried unanimously the Board motioned to discuss the following:

DESIGNATION OF DEPOSITORY: On motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Ms. Di Miceli, and carried unanimously, Bank of America, Citibank, HSBC Bank USA, State Bank of Long Island, TD Bank, JP Morgan Chase Bank and/or Wachovia Bank were designated as depositories for District funds, and Bank of America, State Street Bank and Trust, Wachovia Bank, TD Bank and/or Depository Trust Company were designated as paying agents for bond and bond coupon collection.

DESIGNATION OF DISTRICT NEWSPAPERS: On motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Brita, and carried unanimously, that the Beacon, Richner Publications (Herald), Newsday, The New York Times, Three Village Times, The Franklin Square Bulletin, and The Oceanside/Island Park Herald be designated as district newspapers.

MILEAGE RATE FOR VEHICLES USED ON SCHOOL BUSINESS: On motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Rilling, and carried unanimously, the Mileage Rate for Vehicles used on School Business was established at 50 cents per mile.

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Under the **DISCUSSION** portion of the meeting, Board of Education Goals – It was announced by Ms. Lotito that this would be discussed at the end of the Business Meeting.

At 8:34 p.m., upon motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Ms. Rilling, and carried unanimously, the Annual Reorganization Meeting was adjourned and convened to a Business Meeting.

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

Docket #0-1: The **MINUTES** of the Regular Business Meeting held on June 22, 2010, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, were presented, and upon motion of Mr. Mariano, seconded by Mr. Brita, and carried by six, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

Docket #0-2: The **TREASURER'S REPORT** for May 2010 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 six, the Schedule of Claims & Warrants Nos. 16 – 58, appropriation status report and revenue status report were placed on the table for discussion and then filed.

Under **REPORT OF COMMITTEES** – No Committee reports were given.

Under **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** – Mr. Hogan gave his end of the year report starting with the closing of school going smoothly in all buildings; graduation and moving up ceremonies were wonderful and he thanked the administrators, faculty and professional staff for all they did to enhance each of the events; summer clean up work has begun on the buildings by the custodians; meetings with building principals to review the 09/10 school year and beginning the process of setting goals for 10/11; interviews for teaching positions in Special Education, Social Studies and Art will begin next week; White Boards and Epson interactive projectors are being installed; summer programs by SCOPE and Nassau BOCES have begun; summer school

for high school is taking place at the Middle School; an enhancement course for struggling 6-8th graders is also taking place; SCOPE's summer recreation program has begun at Cornwell Avenue; "jump start" program for incoming kindergarteners has begun at Chestnut; withheld State Aid has been received and the State still does not have a budget in place for the next school year. Ms. Rilling asked how many other schools are participating in the summer school program and Mr. Hogan answered Garden City, Carle Place and Sewanhaka.

Ms. Lotito announced that at the next meeting under Board Privilege of the Floor they will be discussing High School Graduation and who belongs on the stage and other topics.

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Ms. Lotito then opened the meeting for residents to address the Board. She stated that under both periods of addressing the Board, they will be adding the words, "non-confidential" agenda items.

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

Docket #0-3: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Brita, and carried by six, Appointments, Resignations, etc. were made, accepted, granted and approved as follows:

Topic: **Part-Time Teaching Appointment(s)**

Name	Certification	Salary	Effective
Endler, Jordan	Social Studies	$67,431 plus neg. increase PhD 2 (pro-rated .3)	9/1/010-6/30/11

Topic: **Appointment of Monitor**

Name	Position	Salary	Period
Mandel, Benjamin	1:1 monitor	$13.83/hr.	7/1/10 – 8/27/10

Docket #0-4: Upon the motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by six, a resolution was adopted that Extra Pay for Extra Responsibility be approved as follows:

Topic: **Extra Pay for Extra Responsibility**

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Name	Activity	Salary
Basile, Michele	Cafeteria Supervisor	$3,696.00 (plus neg. increase)
Blyskal, Terrence	Boys' Soccer Coach	$3,234.00 (plus neg. increase)
Blyskal, Terrence	Girls' Winter II Basketball Coach	$3,234.00 (plus neg. increase)
Blyskal, Terrence	Boys' Winter I Basketball Coach	$3,234.00 (plus neg. increase)
Blyskal, Terrence	Asst. Track and Field Coach	$2,816.00 (plus neg. increase)
Blyskal, Terrence	Cafeteria Supervisor	$3,696.00 (plus neg. increase)
Braco, Joseph	Boys' Lacrosse Coach	$3,234.00 (plus neg. increase)
Caruthers, Matthew	Audio Visual Equipment Maintainer	$2,397.00 (plus neg. increase)
Cuiman, Sylvia	Cafeteria Supervisor	$3,696.00 (plus neg. increase)
Cuiman, Sylvia	Detention Supervisor	$ 25.94 (plus neg. increase) (per half hour)
Cuiman, Sylvia	Student Council Advisor	$3,354.00 (plus neg. increase)
D'Agostino, Kathleen	Yearbook Editor	$1,628.00 (plus neg. increase)
D'Agostino, Kathleen	Yearbook Art Editor	$1,078,00 (plus neg. increase)
Dooley, Ryan	Baseball Coach	$3,234.00 (plus neg. increase)
Eisen, Jeffrey	Homework Center Supervisor	$ 63.75 (plus neg. increase) (per hour)
Eisen, Jeffrey	6th Grade Math Olympiads	$ 946.00 (plus neg. increase)
Gould, Dina	Co-Ed Cross Country Coach	$**3,234.00** (plus neg. increase)
Gould, Dina	Boys' Winter II Volleyball Coach	$3,234.00 (plus neg. increase)
Gould, Dina	Co-Ed Track and Field Coach	$3,234.00 (plus neg. increase)
Gould, Dina	Cafeteria Supervisor	$3,696.00 (plus neg. increase)
Gould, Dina	Detention Supervisor	$ 25.94 (plus neg. increase) (per half hour)
Hanna, Chad	Football Coach	$4,352.00 (plus neg. increase)
Hanna, Chad	Softball Coach	$3,234.00 (plus neg. increase)
Hellberg, Katie	Girls' Lacrosse Coach	$3,234.00 (plus neg. increase)
Kaminsky, Laurie	Cafeteria Supervisor	$3,696.00 (plus neg. increase)
Keblish, Alexandra	Cafeteria Supervisor	$3,696.00 (plus neg. increase)
Keblish, Alexandra	Homework Center Supervisor	$ 63.75 (plus neg. increase) (per hour)
Leitch, Timothy	Computer Club Advisor	$ 946.00 (plus neg. increase) (per ten sessions)
Lovasz, Christopher	String Ensemble Director	$ 946.00 (plus neg. increase)
Mejia, Natasha	Cheerleading Coach	$1,615.00 (plus neg. increase)
Minchik, Richard	Girls' Soccer Coach	$3,234.00 (plus neg. increase)
Minchik, Richard	Girls' Winter I Volleyball Coach	$3,234.00 (plus neg. increase)
Minchik, Richard	Asst. Track and Field Coach	$2,816.00 (plus neg. increase)
Minchik, Richard	Cafeteria Supervisor	$3,696.00 (plus neg. increase)
Parker-Hall, Suzanne	Cafeteria Supervisor	$3,696.00 (plus neg. increase)
Parker-Hall, Suzanne	National Jr. Honor Society Advisor	$1,208.00 (plus neg. increase)
Puccio, Victoria	Detention Supervisor	$ 25.94 (plus neg. increase) (per half hour)
Sweet, Elaine	Cafeteria Supervisor	$3,696.00 (plus neg. increase)
Sweet, Elaine	Central Treasurer	$2,284.00 (plus neg. increase)
Sweet, Elaine	Detention Supervisor	$ 25.94 (plus neg. increase) (per half hour)
Sweet, Elaine	Homework Center Supervisor	$ 63.75 (plus neg. increase) (per hour)
Sweet, Elaine	Mathletes Advisor	$1,379.00 (plus neg. increase)
Terwilliger, Karen	Computer Club Advisor	$ 946.00 (plus neg. increase) per ten sessions

Zivny, Jessica	Drama Club Director	$2,284.00 (plus neg. increase)

Docket #0-5: Upon the motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Ms. Lotito, and carried by six, a resolution was adopted that the Board of Education, West Hempstead Union Free School District, approve the contract with Guercio & Guercio, and authorize the President of the Board of Education to sign the contract attached herein.

Docket #0-6: Upon the motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Ms. Rilling, and carried by six, a resolution was adopted as follows:

The following Gross Budget in the West Hempstead Union Free School District in the Town of Hempstead, Nassau County, New York, for the school year 2010 - 2011 is hereby fixed at $52,891,477 for School purposes, and $3,205,102 for Library purposes, having a combined total of $56,096,579.

The net amount which must be raised by taxation is hereby fixed at $38,687,525 for School purposes, and $3,185,102 for Library purposes having a combined total of $41,872,627.

The Superintendent of Schools is hereby authorized to notify the Assessors Office that the net amount which must be raised by taxes is $41,872,627.

Docket #0-7: Upon the motion of Mr. Mariano, seconded by Mr. Lotito, and carried by six, that pursuant to the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, religious holidays for the school year 2010 - 2011 be adopted and recognized only for the purpose of adjusting average daily attendance as follows:

September 23	-	Sukkot
December 1	-	Hanukkah
December 8	-	Immaculate Conception
January 6	-	Feast of the Epiphany
March 9	-	Ash Wednesday
March 17	-	St. Patrick’s Day
March 25	-	The Annunciation
June 2	-	Ascension Thursday
June 8	-	Shavuot

Docket #0-8: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Brita, and carried by six, the Board approved the change of title from Director of Social Studies to Director of Social Studies/Foreign Language.

Docket #0-9: Upon the motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Mr. Mariano, and carried by six, the Board approved the Individual Services Contracts.

Docket #0-10: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Mariano, and carried by six, the Board approved the Contracts for Special Education Instructional and Consultant Services.

Docket #0-11: Upon the motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Ms. Lotito, and carried by six, 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 #0-12: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Brita, and carried by six, the Board approved the Participation in a Cooperative Bid Coordinated by the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Nassau County for Various Commodities and/or Services.

Docket #0-13: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Brita, and carried by six, the Board approved the contract with a food service consultant.

Docket #0-14: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Mariano, and carried by six, the Board approved the Bid for West Hempstead Middle/High School – Emergency Masonry Reconstruction Work.

Docket #0-15: Upon the motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Ms. Lotito, and carried by six, the Board approved the Use of Facilities as follows:

Organization	Day/Time	Room/ Field
GEORGE WASHINGTON		
WH Chiefs Soccer	09/01/10-12/31/10 Sat & Sun – 9:00 a.m.-Dark Games	Field
Over the Hill Gang	09/13/10-06/21/11 Mon – 8:00-10:00 p.m. Basketball	Gym
MIDDLE SCHOOL		
WH Bronco Cheerleaders	08/10/10-11/23/10 Tues & Thurs - 6:00-7:30 p.m. Practice	Field & Gym

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 #0-16: Upon the motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Ms. Rilling, and carried by six, a resolution was adopted that the District incur the expense of Board Members or Administrators to attend NYSSBA's School Board U – Learning for Leaders Webinar on July 14, 2010.

Docket #0-17: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Brita, and carried by six, a resolution was adopted that the District incur the expense of Board Members or Administrators to attend SCOPE's Annual Dinner Meeting on August 12, 2010.

Under **BOARD PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR** – There was no business to be addressed.

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

At 9:40 p.m. the Board took a short recess and reconvened at 9:55 p.m.

Board Goals discussion then began. Topics covered were exhibiting a new effort to recruit Island Park students; guidance workshops; college admissions; test scores; enthusiasm for students to learn; proficiency on ELA and math scores; revenue; morale; budget issues; technology updating; raising expectations of students and grants. Mr. Hogan will put together a list of goals from their suggestions and forward it home to the Board members.

Voting hours were discussed again. The Board unanimously agrees to change the hours of voting back to 6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Ms. Lotito and the Board recognized the excellent work of the District Clerk, Kathryn Girolamo, during the two budget votes held in May and June.

At 11:00 p.m., upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Brita, and carried by six, the Board adjourned the Business Meeting to Executive Session to discuss personnel, which ended at 12:40 a.m.

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Kathryn Girolamo