

The **REGULAR MONTHLY BUSINESS MEETING** of the Board of Education West Hempstead Union Free School District was called to order in the High School Auditorium on September 21, 2010 at 7:30 p.m.

PRESENT: Ms. Lotito, who presided, and five other members of the Board: Mr. Brita, Ms. Di Miceli, Mr. Mariano, Ms. Rilling and Mr. Schindler. Mr. Ejnes was absent. Also present were Mr. Hogan, Ms. Peluso, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Guercio, Mr. Sheahan, Ms. Castonguay, Ms. Girolamo and members of the staff and community.

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

Docket #0-61: The **MINUTES** of the Regular Business Meeting held on August 17, 2010, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, were presented, and upon motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Mr. Mariano, and carried by six, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

Docket #0-62: The **MINUTES** of the Audit Committee Meeting held on August 17, 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 Ms. Rilling, and carried by six, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

Docket #0-63: The **MINUTES** of the Special Business Meeting held on September 14, 2010, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, were presented, and upon motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Ms. Di Miceli, and carried by six, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

Docket #0-64: The **TREASURER'S REPORT** for July 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. Brita, and carried by six, the Schedule of Claims & Warrants Nos. 1 – 16, appropriation status report and revenue status report were placed on the table for discussion and then filed.

Under **REPORT OF COMMITTEES** – Ms. Lotito commented on the Audit Committee meeting with Alan Yu and thanked residents who applied to be on the committee. She announced Ms. Goldenberg and Mr. Pepitone were chosen and thanked them for volunteering.

Mr. Brita gave a brief legislative report stating Mr. Alfano will be stepping down from his assembly seat and Democrat Nicolosi and Republican Ra are vying for the seat. He feels it's a good idea to speak to both of them and see what their take is on state aid and education, where they stand and how it will benefit West Hempstead Schools.

PTSA Co-President, Josephine DeMarco, welcomed Mr. Hogan back; "Getting to Know You" breakfast; 9th grade orientation; Plant Sale; memberships; College Night; High School Back to School Night and thanked Mr. Rehman, Principal of Chestnut Street School, for organizing their new website.

SEPTA Co-President, Nella Yelenovic, announced their first meeting is on September 22nd in the Middle School Library at 7:30 p.m.; working on guest speakers for the year - the first one being a social worker speaking on organizational skills; Meet the Teachers night; membership and tulip bulbs being sold for fundraising.

Student Council Representatives, Judy Chen and Melissa Ford, gave their report on Spirit Day, with a Pep Rally on Friday; Homecoming Parade and football game on Saturday at 1:30 p.m. and a carnival that starts at 1:15 p.m.

Under **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** – Mr. Hogan turned the meeting over to Ms. Peluso, who gave a Power Point presentation on the Three-Year Strategic Plan Update 2008-2011. Topics included strengthening our schools through collaboration and teamwork; thanked members of the council and team members for their hard work on the plan; subgroup action plans including community involvement, curriculum and data assessment, educational technology and professional development. The goal of community involvement is to create unity and pride through communication; curriculum and data goals to improve student performance – social, emotional, academic and physical/motor; educational technology goals to make technology a priority for all stakeholders and develop and implement a comprehensive, strategic technology action plan; and professional development goals to align professional development program with students' needs in order to enhance student achievement. She also presented progress highlights and goals to be met from each sub-committee. Ms. Peluso concluded with strengthening our schools through collaboration, communication and continuous improvement. She stated it was an honor and privilege to work with the people on the committee and informed residents the next meeting will be in October to set goals for 2011-2014.

Mr. Hogan then gave his Superintendent Report.

“Thank you to all for a smooth opening this year. I always say that I couldn't have done it without you but this year that is especially true. I cannot say enough about the work done by the Board, administration, faculty and staff in the face of unforeseen difficulties this past August and early September. Dealing with a fire in one of our buildings would have been more than enough, but having to deal with my absence at the same time was unfair. (I have to admit that it is somewhat disconcerting that things went so well in my absence...it only proves what so many of you told me in your cards and messages...the school district will be okay until you get back...just get well.) As I told my fellow Superintendents, we like to think that our districts can't get along without us. Well, now everyone knows the truth! I am glad that everyone got to see what an amazing, qualified and talented group of people work in our school district. We are truly fortunate.

That being said, this is my first opportunity, since my episode (I try not to use the words heart and attack in the same sentence anymore) to publicly thank everyone for their prayers, good wishes and concern as expressed to me in more cards and e-mails than I could count. I continue to be deeply humbled and touched by the community's reaction to my illness. From the bottom of my heart, and on behalf of my wife Maureen and my daughters, Sarah and Rebecca, our deepest appreciation and thanks.”

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

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

place as follows:

Docket #0-65: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Brita, and carried by six,

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>
Glorioso, Ingrid	Special Education Teacher HS	\$114,877	1/8/11

Topic: **Leave(s) of Absence**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Sobacinski, John	Grounds Crew	7/30/10	t/b/d

Topic: **Per Diem Substitute Appointments**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Diller, Nicole	\$90.00/day
Leto, Regina	\$90.00/day
Loverde, Daniela	\$90.00/day
McNamara, Stephanie	\$90.00/day
Nyitray, Karen	\$90.00/day
Stein, Jeremy	\$90.00/day
Weber, Emily	\$90.00/day
Yosha, Laurie	\$90.00/day

Topic: **Substitute Monitor Appointments**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Mastrorocco, Grace	\$10.11/hr.
Tursi, Lorraine	\$10.11/hr.
Valerio, Patti	\$10.11/hr.

Topic: **Removal from Per Diem Substitute List**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Richard, Jonathan	9/22/10
Scotto, Jessica	9/22/10

Topic: **Annual Appointments**

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Period</u>
<u>High School</u>			
Rind, Morgan	One-to-One Monitor	\$13.83/hr. + neg. increase Step 1	9/17/10 – 6/24/11

Topic: Resignation Request(s)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Ward, Jennifer	Occupational Therapist Part-time	9/20/10

Docket #0-66: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Brita, and carried by six, the Board approved tenure appointments as follows:

Topic: Tenure Appointments

<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Huetter, Ronald	Teaching Assistant	10/17/10
Walker, Candice	ESL Teacher	10/1/10

Docket #0-67: Upon the motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Mr. Mariano, and carried by six, the Board approved the Amendment to Docket No. 0-60 adopted on September 14, 2010.

Docket #0-68: Upon the motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Ms. Rilling, and carried by six, the Board approved the Contracts for Special Education Services Instructional and Consultant.

Docket #0-69: Upon the motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Mr. Mariano, and carried by six, the Board approved the Individual Services Contracts for Professional Development.

Docket #0-70: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Brita and carried by six, the Board approved the Title I Proposal for the 2010 – 2011 School year.

Docket #0-71 Upon the motion of Mr. Mariano, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by six, the Board approved the Budget Timetable for the 2011-2012 school year.

Docket #0-72: Upon the motion of Mr. Mariano, seconded by Mr. Brita, and carried by six, the Board accepted the donations from Stop & Shop, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation, Wet Hempstead Elementary PTA and two from Target Take Charge of Education, as amended to supply code A2110.501.02.

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 #0-73: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Brita, and carried by six, the Board approved the budgetary transfers.

Docket #0-74: Upon the motion of Ms. Riling, seconded by Mr. Mariano, and carried by six, the Board approved the Amendment to Docket No. 9-335 adopted on June 22, 2010.

Docket #0-75: Upon the motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Ms. Di Miceli, and carried by six, the Board approved the Use of Facilities as follows:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Day/Time</u>	<u>Room/ Field</u>
MIDDLE SCHOOL		
WH Little League	09/07/10-11/05/10 Mon, Wed & Fri – 5:00-9:00 p.m. Sat & Sun – 10:00 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Baseball	Baseball Field
YIWH	11/06/10, 11/20/10, 12/11/10 12/18/10, 01/08/11, 02/05/11 & 03/05/11 7:00-10:00 p.m. Gym Program	Gym
GEORGE WASHINGTON		
Girl Scout Troop #1237	09/23/10-06/23/11 Every Other Thurs – 3:15-4:45 p.m. Weekly Troop Meetings	Art Room
Girl Scout Troop #1033	09/24/10-06/24/11 Every Other Fri – 3:15-4:45 p.m. Weekly Troop Meetings	Art Room
Girl Scout Troop #1019	09/24/10-06/24/11 Every Other Fri – 3:15-4:45 p.m. Weekly Troop Meetings	Art Room

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 #0-76 to 0-83: Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Ms. Di Miceli, and carried by six, the Board agreed to discuss the following policies at the October 5, 2010 Policy Meeting: Existing Policy - 1340 – Community Use of School District Facilities – Application and Permit; Proposed Policy – Health Insurance Reimbursements; Existing Policy 9250 – Superintendent Evaluation; Proposed Policy – Student Physicals; Existing Policies 3443 – Investments, 3444 – Purchasing, 4100 – Employee Code of Ethics and 5120 – High School Attendance.

Docket #0-84: Upon the motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Ms. Di Miceli, and carried by six, a resolution was adopted that the District incur the expense of Board Members or Administrators to attend NSSBA’s Resolutions Dinner Meeting on September 29, 2010.

Docket #0-85: Upon the motion of Ms. Di Miceli, seconded by Ms. Riling, and carried by six, a resolution was adopted that the District incur the expense of Board Members or Administrators to attend NYSSBA’s Essential Policy Elements of School Safety on September 30, October 7 or October 8, 2010.

Docket #0-86: Upon the motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Ms. Riling and carried by six, 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>
DiPasquale, Suzanne	Co-Kickline Advisor	\$1,616.50 plus negotiated increase
Endler, Jordan	Central Treasurer	\$3,902.00 plus negotiated increase (pro-rated)
Pappas, Nicole	9 th Grade Class Advisor	\$2,167.00 plus negotiated increase

