

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 April 20, 2010 at 7:38 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Ms. Lotito, who presided, and six other members of the Board: Mr. Brita, Mr. Ejnes, Mr. Kaye, Mr. Mariano, Ms. Rilling and Mr. Whelpley. Also present were Mr. Hogan, Ms. Peluso, Mr. Cunningham, Mr. Guercio, Mr. Sheahan, Ms. Girolamo and members of the staff and community.

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

**Docket #9-235:** The **MINUTES** of the Regular Business Meeting held on March 16, 2010, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, were presented, and upon motion of Mr. Whelpley, seconded by Mr. Kaye, and carried by seven, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted *as amended*.

**Docket #9-236:** The **MINUTES** of the Special Budget Business Meeting held on April 6, 2010, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, were presented, and upon motion of Mr. Whelpley, seconded by Mr. Ejnes, and carried by seven, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

**Docket #9-237:** The **TREASURER'S REPORT** for February 2010 having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, was presented, and upon motion of Mr. Ejnes, seconded by Mr. Mariano, and carried by seven, the Schedule of Claims &

Warrants Nos. 10 – 49, appropriation status report and revenue status report were placed on the table for discussion and then filed.

Under **REPORT OF COMMITTEES** – Ms. Rilling announced the West Hempstead Community Scholarship Fund will be having a fundraiser on May 16<sup>th</sup> from 8 am to 4 pm. It is a sidewalk sale and donations for the cause are now being accepted. She also invited everyone to attend the 41<sup>st</sup> Anniversary and Scholarship Dinner on June 6, 2010 at the Nassau County Bar Association. Ms. Rilling commented that the fund receives a lot of support from retirees.

SEPTA Co-President, Josephine Scheel, announced their last meeting of the year will take place on May 4<sup>th</sup>, with the topic on “Why We Should Medicate Our Children.”

PTA Co-President, Theresa Walz, spoke on the Joint Meeting with the PTSA and SEPTA on April 28<sup>th</sup> in the Middle School Cafeteria; spring photos are next week; a Plant Sale on May 3<sup>rd</sup> and Sports Day was a great success.

Student Council Representative, Kayla Perez, reported on Family Literacy Night on April 21<sup>st</sup>; The “Apprentice” at the High School begins on April 21<sup>st</sup>; elections for Mr. & Mrs. West Hempstead are on May 17<sup>th</sup>; Earth Week is this week and teams in spring sports are playing great.

Under **SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT** – Mr. Hogan presented a Power Point presentation on the budget. He explained that the Board and Administration have done everything possible to help the education of the children of the District. Topics included the budget-to-budget change; the tax levy changed; still waiting for the state to pass the budget that was due April 1<sup>st</sup>; the projected tax levy increase is due to circumstances beyond the control of West Hempstead with a tax levy increase of 7.60% before they even got started with the budget; five-year tax levy history and announced all budget documents will be posted at [www.whufsd.com](http://www.whufsd.com) under “New 2010-2011 Budget Information” link on the homepage.

Mr. Hogan also covered voter registration, tenure appointments and the appointment of a new Middle School principal. There will be a budget hearing on May 11<sup>th</sup>.

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

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

**Docket #9-238:** Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Kaye, and carried by seven, Appointments, Resignations, etc. were made, accepted, granted and approved as follows:

**Topic: Probationary Appointment**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Tenure Area</u></b>	<b><u>Certification</u></b>	<b><u>Salary</u></b>	<b><u>Effective</u></b>	<b><u>End of Probation</u></b>
Murray, Marcia	Principal Middle School	School District Administrator	\$140,000	7/1/10	7/1/13

**Topic: Appointment of Monitor(s)**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Salary</u></b>	<b><u>Period</u></b>
Votke, James	one-to-one monitor MS	\$13.83/hr. + neg. increase Step 1	3/26/10 – 6/25/10
Oliveria, Amanda	one-to-one monitor CA	\$13.83/hr. + neg. increase Step 1	4/21/10 – 6/25/10

**Topic: Appointment of Home Tutor**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Salary</u></b>	<b><u>Effective</u></b>
Fennis, Christine	\$51.87/hr.	2/1/10 – 6/25/10

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

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>From</u></b>	<b><u>To</u></b>
Smith, Kevin	Custodian HS	3/24/10	3/26/10

**Topic: Resignation(s)**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Effective</u></b>
McAteer, Patrick	Regular Daily Substitute Teacher - MS	4/6/10

**Topic: Appointment of Frost Valley Chaperones and Approval of Comp Days**

Blaise, Sandra  
Blyskal, Terrance  
Caruthers, Matthew  
Cordova, Kerry  
D'Agostino, Kathleen  
Eisen, Jeffrey  
Geiger, Erin  
Hafner, Barbara  
Kemnitzner, Thomas  
Leitch, Timothy  
Mille, Darlene  
Minchick, Richard  
Parker-Hall, Suzanne  
Terwilliger, Karen

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

**Name**

Amy Catropa

**Docket #9-239:** Upon the motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Mr. Ejnes and carried by seven, a resolution was adopted that Extra Pay for Extra Responsibility be approved as follows:

**Topic: Extra Pay for Extra Responsibility**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Salary</u></b>	<b><u>Period</u></b>
Albinder, Eric	Long Island String Festival Chaperone	\$66.00/session (plus neg. increase)	3/5
	Long Island String Festival Chaperone	\$71.00/session (plus neg. increase)	3/7
Albinder, Eric	Pit Musician	\$66.00/session (plus neg. increase)	3/1, 3/3, 3/4, 3/8, 3/9, 3/11, 3/12
Albinder, Eric	Pit Musician	\$71.00/session (plus neg. increase)	2/27, 3/6, 3/13, 3/14

**Docket #9-240:** Upon the motion of Mr. Whelpley, seconded by Mr. Brita, and carried by seven, the Board approved the following Abolishment of Positions as of June 30, 2010:

Two (2)	elementary teaching positions	Ms. Beardsley, CS, 1 Retirement
One (1)	visual arts teaching position	Ms. Kinsey, MS
One (1)	secondary English teaching position	Ms. D'Agostino, MS
One (1)	secondary math teaching position	Ms. Livi, MS
One (1)	secondary science teaching position	1 Retirement
One (1)	school psychologist position	1 Retirement
One (1)	typist clerk position	Ms. Courtman, HS
One (1)	cleaner position	At the High School

**Docket #9-241:** Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Mariano, and carried by seven, the Board approved tenure appointments as follows:

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Tenure Area</u></b>	<b><u>Effective</u></b>
Theresa Ganley	Principal George Washington School	8/6/10
Bosch, Keith	Physical Education/Health	9/1/10
Bowie, Kimberly	Elementary	9/1/10
D'Andrea, Michelle	Mathematics	9/1/10
Diehlmann, Mary	Mathematics	9/1/10
DiRico, Michele	Special Education	9/1/10
Ferreiro, Jennifer	Elementary	9/1/10
Gordon, Pamela	Art	9/1/10
Ianniello, Daniel	Special Education	9/1/10
Kravat, Wendy	Speech	9/1/10
Kufta, Jared	English	9/1/10
McInerney, Annemarie	Reading	9/1/10
Mejia, Natasha	Foreign Language	9/1/10
Milack, Katherine	Special Education	9/1/10
Parente, Lisa	Speech/Language	9/1/10
Russo, Dayna	School Psychologist	9/1/10
Stein, Edie	Special Education	9/1/10
Beerman, Elaine	Teaching Assistant	9/1/10
Imperioli, Helen	Teaching Assistant	9/1/10

**Docket #9-242:** Upon the motion of Mr. Ejnes, seconded by Ms. Rilling, and carried by seven, the Board approved the Amendment to Docket No. 9-201 adopted on February 9, 2010.

**Docket #9-243:** Upon the motion of Mr. Whelpley, and seconded by Mr. Brita, and carried by seven, a resolution was adopted that the West Hempstead Union Free School District Budget for the 2010 - 2011 school year in the amount of \$54,547,423 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 #9-244:** Upon the motion of Mr. Mariano, seconded by Mr. Ejnes and carried by seven, the Board approved the Calendar of Board of Education Meetings for the 2010-11 school year.

**Docket #9-245:** Upon the motion of Mr. Ejnes, seconded by Mr. Mariano and carried by seven, the Board discussed the acceptance of this docket. Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Mariano, and carried by seven, this docket was tabled.

**Docket #9-246:** Upon the motion of Mr. Mariano, seconded by Mr. Ejnes and carried by seven, the Board approved the Agreement between the West Hempstead School District and SCOPE Education Services for the After School Child Care Program for the 2010-2011 school year.

**Docket #9-247:** Upon the motion of Mr. Whelpley, seconded by Ms. Rilling and carried by seven, the Board approved contracts for the 2010 – 2011 school year with the following Administrative Personnel: Mr. Hogan, Mr. Cunningham, Ms. Peluso, Mr. Banfield and Mr. Fleck.

**Docket #9-248:** Upon the motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Mr. Kaye and carried by seven, the 2009 – 2010 Fire Safety Report was accepted.

**Docket #9-249:** Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Mariano, and carried by seven, the Board adopted the Biennial Review of Academic Intervention Services Plan for the school years 2010 - 2011 and 2011 - 2012.

**Docket #9-250:** Upon the motion of Mr. Whelpley, seconded by Mr. Ejnes, and carried by seven, the Board adopted the Annual Review of Instructional Technology Education Committee Plan for the school year 2010 - 2011.

**Docket #9-251:** Upon the motion of Mr. Ejnes, seconded by Mr. Brita, and carried by seven, the Board approved the Health and Welfare Services Agreements with Great Neck, Jericho, South Huntington, Uniondale and Westbury School Districts.

**Docket #9-252:** Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Mariano, 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 #9-253:** Upon the motion of Mr. Whelpley, seconded by Mr. Ejnes, and carried by seven, the Board approved the budgetary transfers.

**Docket #9-254:** Upon the motion of Mr. Brita, seconded by Mr. Ejnes, and carried by seven, a resolution was adopted that the Board of Education approve the Property Tax Report

Card for 2010 - 2011 based on the following information:

	<b><u>Budgeted 2009- 2010</u></b>	<b><u>Budgeted 2010 - 2011</u></b>	<b><u>Percent Change</u></b>
Total Spending	\$52,607,660	\$54,547,423	3.69
Total Estimated Tax Levy	\$36,875,773	\$40,343,471	9.40
Public School Enrollment	2,188	2,194	0.27
Consumer Price Index			-0.4
		<b><u>Actual 2009 - 2010</u></b>	<b><u>Estimated 2010 - 2011</u></b>
Reserved Fund Balance		\$3,014,102	2,336,787
Appropriated Fund Balance		\$1,000,000	500,000
Unreserved, Unappropriated Fund Balance		\$1,505,374	1,005,300
Unreserved, Unappropriated Fund Balance as a Percent of the Total Budget		2.86%	1.84%

**Docket #9-255:** Upon the motion of Mr. Ejnes, seconded by Mr. Mariano, and carried by seven, the Board accepted the Federal Single Audit Report for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2009.

**Docket #9-256:** Upon the motion of Mr. Whelpley, seconded by Mr. Brita, and carried by seven, the Board approved the Participation in Cooperative Bid Coordinated by the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Nassau County.

**Docket #9-257:** Upon the motion of Mr. Whelpley, seconded by Mr. Ejnes and carried by seven, the Board approved the bid for Health Supplies 2010 - 2011.

**Docket #9-258:** Upon the motion of Mr. Ejnes, seconded by Mr. Brita, and carried by seven, the Board approved the Inter-municipal Cooperative Transportation Agreement.

**Docket #9-259:** Upon the motion of Mr. Whelpley, seconded by Mr. Ejnes and carried by seven, the Board approved the bid for Musical Equipment, Audio and Supplies 2010 - 2011.

**Docket #9-260:** Upon the motion of Mr. Whelpley, seconded by Mr. Ejnes and carried by seven, the Board approved the bid for Physical Education Supplies, Equipment and Uniforms 2010 - 2011.

**Docket #9-261:** Upon the motion of Mr. Whelpley, seconded by Mr. Ejnes and carried by seven, the Board approved the bid for Printed Music 2010 - 2011.

**Docket #9-262:** Upon the motion of Mr. Whelpley, seconded by Mr. Ejnes and carried by seven, the Board approved the bid for Subscriptions to Periodicals 2010 - 2011.

**Docket #9-263:** Upon the motion of Mr. Whelpley, seconded by Mr. Ejnes and carried by seven, the Board approved the bid for Printing of Agendas 2010 - 2011.

**Docket #9-264:** Upon the motion of Mr. Whelpley, seconded by Mr. Ejnes and carried by seven, the Board approved the bid for Printing of Diplomas and Diploma Covers 2010 - 2011.

**Docket #9-265:** Upon the motion of Mr. Whelpley, seconded by Mr. Ejnes and carried by seven, the Board approved the bid for Printing of District Calendars 2010 - 2011.

**Docket #9-266:** Upon the motion of Mr. Whelpley, seconded by Mr. Ejnes and carried by seven, the Board approved the bid for Printing of the West Hempstead High School Yearbook 2010 - 2011.

**Docket #9-267:** Upon the motion of Mr. Whelpley, seconded by Mr. Ejnes and carried by seven, the Board approved the bid for Printing of the West Hempstead Middle School Yearbook 2010 - 2011.

**Docket #9-268:** Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Brita, and carried by seven, the Board approved the Use of Facilities as follows:



<u>Organization</u>	<u>Day/Time</u>	<u>Room/ Field</u>
<b>HIGH SCHOOL</b>		
WH Lions Club	05/05/10 5:00-10:00 p.m. Awards Ceremony Peace Poster/ Lions Meeting	Cafeteria
Boy Scout Troop 240	04/25/10, 05/02/10, 05/15/10 06/06/10 & 06/27/10 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Eagle Scout Service Project	Parking Lot
WH Community Scholarship Fund	05/16/10 7:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Sidewalk Sale	Sidewalk Outside of the Cafeteria
<b>GEORGE WASHINGTON</b>		
Boy Scout Troop 240	04/25/10, 05/02/10, 05/15/10 06/06/10 & 06/27/10 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Eagle Scout Service Project	Parking Lot
<b>EAGLE AVENUE</b>		
Boy Scout Troop 240	04/25/10, 05/02/10, 05/15/10 06/06/10 & 06/27/10 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Eagle Scout Service Project	Parking Lot

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 #9-269:** Upon the motion of Mr. Whelpley, seconded by Mr. Brita, and carried by six, Ms. Rilling opposed, the Board approved the BOCES tentative budget for the 2010 – 2011 school year in the amount of eighteen million four hundred twenty eight thousand three hundred eighty seven dollars (\$18,428,387).

**Docket #9-270:** Upon the motion of Mr. Ejnes, seconded by Mr. Mariano, and carried by seven, the Board elected by unanimous vote the following three candidates for the vacancies on the Board of Cooperative Services: Ronald Ellerbe, Gale Ross-Srulevich and Robert Schoen.

**Docket #9-271:** Upon the motion of Mr. Ejnes, seconded by Mr. Brita, and carried by seven, a resolution was adopted that the District incur the expense of Board members and

Administration to attend the Nassau-Suffolk School Boards Association's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Annual Dinner Meeting on June 1, 2010.

**Docket #9-272:** Upon the motion of Mr. Ejnes, seconded by Mr. Mariano, and carried by seven, a resolution was adopted that the District incur the expense of Board members and Administration to attend the New York State School Boards Association's Spring Law Conference on April 20, 23, May 4, 6, 2010.

**Docket #9-273:** Upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Mariano, and carried by seven, a resolution was adopted that the District incur the expense of Board members and Administration to attend the West Hempstead Community Scholarship Fund's 41<sup>st</sup> Anniversary Dinner on June 6, 2010.

Under **BOARD PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR** – There was no discussion.

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

At 9:30 p.m., upon the motion of Ms. Rilling, seconded by Mr. Whelpley, and carried by seven, the Board adjourned the Business Meeting to Executive Session, which ended at 11:20 p.m.

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Kathryn Girolamo