

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 January 19, 2016 at 7:45 p.m.

**PRESENT:** Ms. Brohm, who presided, and six other members of the Board: Ms. Close, Ms. Greaves, Ms. Lotito, Mr. Schindler, Ms. Shinsato and Mr. Trocchia. Also present were Mr. Hogan, Mr. Rehman, Mr. O'Keefe, Mr. Sheahan, Mr. Mestecky, Ms. Girolamo, Mr. Vecchione and members of the staff and community.

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

**Docket #5-192:** The **MINUTES** of the Regular Business Meeting held on December 15, 2015, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, were presented, and upon motion of Mr. Schindler, 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 #5-193:** The **MINUTES** of the Special Business Meeting/Bond Proposition Workshop held on January 12, 2016, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, were presented, and upon motion of Mr. Schindler, 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 #5-194:** The **TREASURER'S REPORT** for the month ended November 30, 2015, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, was presented, and upon motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito 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.

**Docket #5-195:** The **CLAIMS AUDITOR'S REPORT** for the month ended December 31, 2015, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, was presented, and upon motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven, the report was placed on the table for discussion and then filed.

Under **REPORT OF COMMITTEES** action took place as follows:

PTSA Co-President, Loraine Magaraci, stated their last meeting was great. Principals and teachers lent their time to help families in the District; the Bond Proposal was discussed with great feedback; the Prom Committee will meet on February 28<sup>th</sup> and will also have a fundraiser at Governor's comedy Club to raise money for the senior class; the next PTA meeting is January 25<sup>th</sup> at George Washington and gift card collections are still in the works for the two families who recently had fires in their homes.

Kelly Valerio, Student Council Representative, reported on the girls' volleyball team going 11-0 for the season; senior night basketball; 2016-17 athletics are under way and the upcoming Curriculum Fair.

Under **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** – Mr. Hogan began with the First Semester ending on January 29<sup>th</sup> and High School midterms and finals are under way; in regards to the Bond Proposition we need to work together to get it done; the process of the 2016-17 school budget is underway and we have another challenge of closing the gap; the first budget workshop is March 1<sup>st</sup>; GAP Elimination if made whole again would be helpful on getting money back to the budget and WHEA and WHASA APPR work is still ongoing.

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

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

**Docket #5-196:** Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven, Appointments, Resignations, etc. were 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>
Bickard, Janine	Elementary Teacher GW	\$120,725	6/30/16
McVetty, Patricia	Music Teacher HS	\$116,594	6/30/16

**Topic:** Resignation(s)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Avila, Marie	School Monitor CA/GW	\$16.99/hr.	1/21/16
Ferchland, Debra	School Monitor GW	\$16.99/hr.	1/3/16

**Topic:** Approval of Comp Days

Seven (7) comp days for **Alvaro Escobar**, High School Principal for additional days worked during the summer of 2015.

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Berry, Michelle	Leave-Replacement Special Education Teacher – High School	4/26/16

**Topic:** Per Diem Substitute Appointments

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Bergstein, Dana	Teacher	\$90.00/day
Cohen, Devon	Teacher	\$90.00/day
Foley, Nancy	Cleaner	\$11.36/hr.
Hellmund, Kristy	Teacher	\$90.00/day
Magaraci, Joseph	Teacher	\$90.00/day
Williams, Lawanda	Cleaner	\$11.36/day

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

**Name**

Davila, Nicholas, Cleaner  
Cavaliere, Zindy, Monitor

**Topic: Appointments for Elementary ELA/Math Prep Classes**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Salary</u></b>	<b><u>Effective</u></b>
Corrado, Jennifer	Substitute Math/ELA Grades 3-5 CA/GW	\$67.00/hr.	10 hour maximum
D'Angelo, Maria	Substitute ELA Grades 6-8 MS	\$67.00/hr.	10 hour maximum
Kaminsky, Laurie	Substitute ELA Grades 6-8 MS	\$67.00/hr.	10 hour maximum
Krouner, Zachary	Substitute Math/ELA Grades 3-5 GW	\$67.00/hr.	10 hour maximum
Napolitano, Danielle	Substitute Math/ELA Grades 3-5 CA	\$67.00/hr.	10 hour maximum
Schwartz, Stacey	4 <sup>th</sup> Grade ELA GW	\$67.00/hr.	10 hour maximum

**Docket #5-197:** Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, 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**

<b><u>Name</u></b>	<b><u>Activity</u></b>	<b><u>Salary</u></b>
<b><u>HIGH SCHOOL</u></b>		
Andress, Matthew	JV Baseball Coach	\$4,755.00
Cloghessy, Kevin	Varsity Baseball Coach	\$6,798.00
<b><u>MIDDLE SCHOOL</u></b>		
Finn, Michael	Drama Club Director	\$2,399.00
Parker-Hall, Suzanne	Stage Director	\$1,697.00
Sherman, Benjamin	Baseball Coach	\$3,399.00

**Topic: Extra Pay for Extra Responsibility Rescinded**

Maidhof, Matthew Middle School Boys' Lacrosse Coach

**Docket #5-198:** Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, and seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, the Board approved the Amendment to Docket #5-171 adopted on December 15, 2015.

**Docket #5-199:** Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, the Board approved the law firm of Guercio and Guercio, LLP to commence legal action against Nassau County, Long Island Power Authority, for Payments in Lieu of Taxes on Properties in Nassau County.

**Docket #5-200:** Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, the Board approved the Consultant Services Contract to PJD Investigations.

**Docket #5-201:** Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, the Board approved the Contracts for Special Education Services for the 2015-16 school year to Franklin Square UFSD and Seaford UFSD.

**Docket #5-202:** Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, the Board accepted the Donation of \$300.00 from a private donor for the enhancement of geography education and two wooden tables from the West Hempstead Public Library.

**Docket #5-203:** Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Mr. Schindler 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 ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT FOR BUSINESS**, 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 #5-204:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Greaves and carried by seven, the Board approved the New Vendors.

**Docket #5-205:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Greaves and carried by seven, the Board approved the Budgetary Transfers.

**Docket #5-206:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Greaves and carried by seven, the Board approved the Request for Proposal – External Auditing Services to Cullen & Danowski, LLP for a fee of \$43,000.00 for the year ending June 30, 2016.

**Docket #5-207:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Greaves and carried by seven, the Board approved the Disposition of Records.

**Docket #5-208:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Greaves and carried by seven, the Board approved the Disposition of Equipment.

**Docket #5-209:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Greaves and carried by seven, the Board approved the Use of Facilities as follows:

<b><u>Organization</u></b>	<b><u>Day/Time</u></b>	<b><u>Room/Field</u></b>
<b><u>George Washington</u></b>		
Fifth Grade Fun Day Committee	1/25/16 Monday 8:30 pm – 9:00 pm Meeting	Cafeteria
<b><u>Middle School</u></b>		
YIWH Youth Department	1/30/16 & 2/20/16 Saturdays 7:00 pm – 11:00 pm Basketball	Gym
<b><u>High School</u></b>		
YIWH Youth Department	2/1/16 – 6/30/16 Sundays 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm Basketball	Gym
PTSA 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Dance Fundraiser	3/17/16 & 3/18/16 Thursday & Friday 6:00 pm – 9:30 pm Fundraiser	Lobby

**Docket #5-210:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Greaves and carried by seven, the Board approved an agreement with Relle Electric for the fire alarm replacement at the Middle/High schools in the amount of \$153,879.00.

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

**Docket #5-175:** There was no discussion.

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

**Docket #5-211:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven, a resolution was adopted that the District incur the expense for Board members and Administration to attend NYSSBA's 2016 Capital Conference on February 28-29, 2016.

**Docket #5-212:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven, a resolution was adopted that the District incur the expense for Board members and Administration to attend NSSBA's "Public Education: Long Island's Assurance for the Future" seminar on January 28, 2016.

**Docket #5-213:** Upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Greaves and carried by seven, the Board approved SEQRA for the Middle/High school renovations.

**Docket #5-214:** Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven, the Board approved the Single Bond Proposition Special District Meeting on March 15, 2016.

**Docket #5-215:** There was no discussion.

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Upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, the Board motioned to discuss **Docket 5-216** – Policy 3362 – Approval of Conference Expenses and **Docket 5-217** Policy 5120 – Student Attendance at the February 2, 2016 Policy Meeting.

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

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

Ms. Brohm announced there will be a Budget Workshop on March 8, 2016 and the Regular Business Meeting scheduled for March 15<sup>th</sup> is postponed until March 29<sup>th</sup>.

At 9:27 p.m., upon the motion of Mr. Schindler, seconded by Ms. Lotito and carried by seven, the Board adjourned to Executive Session for advice from counsel and negotiations.

At 11:02 p.m., upon the motion of Ms. Lotito, seconded by Mr. Schindler and carried by seven, Executive Session was adjourned.

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Kathryn Girolamo, District Clerk