

The **BUDGET WORKSHOP** of the Board of Education West Hempstead Union Free School District was called to order in the High School Video Conference Room on March 6, 2018 at 7:40 p.m.

PRESENT: Ms. Brohm, who presided, and six other members of the Board: Ms. Close, Mr. Cole, Mr. Magaraci, Ms. Shinsato and Mr. Trocchia. Ms. Greaves was absent. Also present were Mrs. Sullivan-Kriss, Mr. Rehman, Mr. Glasu, Mr. Fleck, Mr. Vecchione, and members of the staff and community.

Under **BUDGET WORKSHOP** – Mrs. Sullivan-Kriss presented an overview of the proposed 2018-19 budget, including the total proposed budget, budget-to-budget increase and the tax levy increase. Also discussed were: Challenges to budgeting; CPI-U; state aid payments; retirement contributions; the “2% tax levy cap”; current consolidated budget; personnel and personnel reductions and program support. Also included in the overview were areas of continued support such as technology equipment, co-curricular clubs, athletic and fine and performing arts, facilities and 2018-19 initiatives. Future plans include elementary math program; Middle School opportunity to earn high school credits; advanced placement capstone; pre-advanced placement; secondary advisory and distribution of science resources for next generation science standards. Mr. Glasu then provided an overview of the Non-Instructional component of the 2018-19 budget, which included General Support, Transportation, Employee Benefits, Debt Service and Interfund Transfers. The presentation concluded with the reminder that the budget numbers will be finalized when we have the final State Aid allocation. The next Budget Workshop is March 13, 2018.

The Board then took questions from residents in attendance.

At 8:36 p.m., upon the motion of Ms. Close, seconded by Ms. Shinsato and carried by six, the Board adjourned to Executive Session for the purpose of negotiations.

At 10:29 p.m., upon the motion of Mr. Cole, seconded by Ms. Shinsato and carried by six, Executive Session was adjourned.

Patricia Sullivan-Kriss, Superintendent