

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 March 20, 2018 at 7:45 p.m.

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

Docket #7-244: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Magaraci and carried by seven, the Board approved the Donations of \$250.00 from SEPTA, \$250.00 from PTSA and five LifeVac school kits from the West Hempstead Lions Club.

Ms. Brohm introduced members of the Lions Club who presented their donation of five LifeVac life-saving devices for choking, one for each of the schools.

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

Docket #7-228: The **MINUTES** of the Regular Business Meeting held on February 13, 2018, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, were presented, and upon motion of Mr. Cole, seconded by Ms. Shinsato and carried by seven, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

Docket #7-229: The **MINUTES** of the Budget Workshop – Non Instructional held on March 6, 2018, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, were presented, and upon motion of Mr. Cole, seconded by Ms. Shinsato and carried by seven, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

Docket #7-230: The **MINUTES** of the Budget Workshop – Instructional held on March 13, 2018, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, were presented, and upon motion of Mr. Cole, seconded by Ms. Shinsato and carried by seven, that the reading of the Minutes of said meeting be dispensed with and that they be adopted as received.

Docket #7-231: The **TREASURER’S REPORT** for the month ended January 31, 2018, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, was presented, and upon motion of Mr. Cole, seconded by Ms. Shinsato 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 #7-232: The **CLAIMS AUDITOR’S REPORT** for the month ended February 28, 2018, having been received by each member several days prior to the date of this meeting, was presented, and upon motion of Mr. Cole, seconded by Ms. Shinsato 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 Representative Tammy LaCombe reported the Social was a success and thanked all the donators for the gifts for the raffles; the Book Fairs went well; spring photos take place on April 19th; Yankee fundraiser coming up and the next meeting is March 26th. PTSA Co-President Santos Welti announced the Gift Cards are in; the Senior Fashion Show is March 22nd; Clothing Drive is on April 15th at the Middle School; April 9th is the next meeting; date change for the Social was changed from April 19th to April 25th and wished everyone a Happy Easter and Passover.

Aya Zubi, Student Council Representative, reported on the Key Club and Guidance Department hosted a Prom Dress Boutique; National Honor Society will be planting flowers and trees in a “Garden of Hope” for victims of school violence; March 26th is a meet and great for 8th

graders and their parents on playing in High School sports; spring season athletics begin April 9th.

Under **SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT** - Mrs. Kriss then introduced John Prentice from Tetra Tech to give a brief update to the Board on the on-going Bond work at the schools.

Mrs. Sullivan-Kriss continued with her report informing the Board that on March 14th the Middle/High school students engaged in a tribute to the Parkland students; the High School play *Sister Act* was fabulous and full of energy. She thanked Mr. Heckler who directed the play; there are seven retirements of teachers/teaching assistants this year; 7th grader, Mouhammad Seck, has moved onto the National Geography Bee on April 7th; District restructuring breakfasts and open houses will take place; there will be a video explaining the restructuring, followed by a Question and Answer section that will be posted on the website when completed; and she wished everyone a Happy Easter and Passover. Mrs. Kriss then turned the meeting over to Mr. Rehman to present an overview of the status of District and SED initiatives, entitled "Roadmap to Success."

Mr. Rehman reviewed Chestnut Street's 2018-19 school year will be implementing ST math and the NGMS, increasing the rigor of our writing program and begin guided reading earlier in the school year. They will also expand the number of units used in Social Studies, continue STEM and begin implementation of NGSS.

Cornwell and George Washington schools 2018-19 school year will begin implementing ST math and the NGMS, decide upon a new math program/support materials, increase the rigor of our writing program and guided reading, expand the number of units used in Social Studies, continue STEM, implement NGSS, introduce coding in Grade 3, use NWEA as a universal screener, expand STELLER program and create a new identity as a Primary School/Intermediate School.

The Middle School 2018-19 school year includes expanded teaming, increasing the rigor of our ELA and Math programs, use of Achieve 3000 in all classes, and focus on raising assessment

scores. Challenge Up will include Algebra I students, and work will continue on expanding the number of units in Social Studies, continuing expansion of LE, creating a new identity as of 7th and 8th grade Middle School, coding opportunities, offering opportunity to acquire 4 HS credits. Work is ongoing to create a uniform grading policy and enriching the Beautiful Me and GENTS clubs

The High School 2018-19 school year will begin supporting the new principal. The High School will focus on core knowledge, connection with students, personalized learning, best practices, distributed leadership, flexible use of time, continuous Professional Development, expanding the technology program and a comprehensive school counseling program.

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

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

Docket #7-233: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Ms. Greaves 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>
Baron, Steven	School Psychologist HANC/St. Thomas	\$126,332	6/30/18
Bickard, Edward	Elementary Teacher George Washington	\$109,724	6/30/18
Ciaravino, Joan	Teaching Assistant Middle School	\$21.82/hr.	6/30/18
Dunbar, Patricia	English Teacher High School	\$122,180	6/30/18
Hawxhurst, Dianne	Special Education Teacher Cornwell Avenue	\$122,180	6/30/18
Santarelli, Margaret	Social Studies Teacher Middle School	\$122,180	6/30/18
Seeberger, Donna	Guidance Counselor High School	\$122,180	6/30/18

Topic: Resignation Request(s)

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Aull, Tracy	Teaching Assistant Chestnut Street	\$21.82/hr.	4/6/18
Lavin, Denise	Senior Account Clerk	\$59,603	2/26/18
Ribeiro, Concetta	School Monitor GW	\$17.68/hr.	3/28/18

Topic: Leave-Replacement Appointment

<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Brooks, Amanda	Childhood Ed 1-6	5 th Grade CA	\$49,873 (pro-rated) IBA	4/9/18 – 5/4/18
Capolino, Joanne	Reading	Reading CA	\$73,314 (pro-rated)	3/5/18-4/30/18 5 MA+30
LaPelosa, Anthony	Social Studies 7-12	Social Studies HS	\$56,606 (pro-rated) IMA	2/22/18 – 6/22/18

Topic: Appointment of Monitors

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Chrisohoides, Fotini	School Monitor	\$16.22/hr. Step 1	3/21/18

Topic: Intermittent Family Medical Leave of Absence

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Kayton-Courtney, Kathleen	Art teacher CS/GW	3/7/18	6/22/18

Topic: Leave(s) of Absence

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Decina, Suzanne	Kindergarten Teacher	9/1/2018	6/30/19
LaRosa, Gina	Social Studies Teacher	2/22/18	6/30/19
North, Melissa	High School Elementary Teacher Cornwell Avenue	4/9/18	5/4/18

Topic: Salary Credits

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>New Salary</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Xhelili, Lejla	Family and Consumer Science teacher HS	3MA	\$7,406	\$62,267	2/1/18

Topic: Per Diem Substitute Appointments

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Salary</u>
Stallings, Sean	Teacher	\$100.00/day

Topic: Removal from Per Diem Substitute Lists

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>
Bermingham, Madeline	Imbriale, Keri

Topic: Academic Intervention Classes

<u>Name</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Salary</u>	<u>Period</u>
Bachas, Koula	ELA/Math Substitute	\$67.34 per hour	2/12/18-3/26/18 (5-hour maximum)
Eivazi, Sara	ELA/Math Substitute	\$67.34 per hour	2/12/18-3/26/18 (5-hour maximum)
Phelan, Michelle	ELA – Grade 3 CA	\$67.34 per hour	2/12/18-3/26/18 (5-hour maximum)
Silkes, Barbara	ELA/Math Substitute	\$67.34 per hour	2/12/18- 3/26/18 (5-hour maximum)
Sackstein, Starr	ELA – Grade 8	\$67.34 per hour	3/5/18-4/9/18 (5-hour maximum)

Docket #7-234: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Ms. Greaves and carried by seven, the Board accepted the Amendments to Docket #7-160 and #7-163 Adopted on December 19, 2017, as follows:

Docket #7-160

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Scully, Annemarie	Reading Teacher Cornwell Avenue	1/2/18 – 4/30/18

Docket #7-163

Topic: Leave of Absence

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective</u>
Foster, William	Maintainer	9/28/17 – t/b/d

Docket #7-235: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, and seconded by Ms. Greaves and carried by seven, the Board approved the Agreement with Nassau BOCES Department of Instructional Programs and Alternative Schools Regional Summer School Program.

Docket #7-236: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, and seconded by Ms. Greaves and carried by seven, the Board approved the Individual Consultant Services Contract with Hamilton Consultants, LLC.

Docket #7-237: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, and seconded by Ms. Greaves and carried by seven, the Board approved the health and Welfare Services Agreements with Garden City UFSD, Half Hollow Hills Central School District, Hicksville School District, Malverne UFSD, North Merrick UFSD, Rockville Centre UFSD, Smithtown Central School District, South Huntington UFSD and Uniondale UFSD.

Docket #7-238: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Cole and carried by seven, the Board approved the Annual Meeting Date notice for the May 15, 2018 Budget Vote.

Docket #7-239: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Cole and carried by seven, the Board approved Karen Brohm as the Chairperson for the Annual District Meeting, with Patrick McNeill as Alternate, on May 15, 2018.

Docket #7-240: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Cole and carried by seven, the Board approved the Appointment of Election Inspectors for the Budget Vote on May 15, 2018.

Dockets 7-241 through 7-243 were tabled to Executive Session.

Docket #7-244: See action at the beginning of the meeting.

Docket #7-245: Upon the motion of Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Trocchia 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 #7-246: Upon the motion of Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Trocchia and carried by seven, the Board approved the New Vendors.

Docket #7-247: Upon the motion of Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Trocchia and carried by seven, the Board approved the Budgetary Transfers.

Docket #7-248: Upon the motion of Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Trocchia and carried by seven, the Board accepted the Special Education Revenues & Expenditures audit report from Cerini & Associates.

Docket #7-249: Upon the motion of Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Trocchia and carried by seven, the Board accepted the extended contract for Driver Education Services with East Meadow Driving School.

Docket #7-250: Upon the motion of Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Trocchia and carried by seven, the Board approved the Charges for Health Services with St. Thomas the Apostle School and The Hebrew Academy of Nassau County.

Docket #7-251: Upon the motion of Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Trocchia and carried by seven, the Board approved the Disposition of Equipment.

Docket #7-252: Upon the motion of Mr. Cole, seconded by Mr. Trocchia and carried by seven, the Board approved the Use of Facilities as follows:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Day/Time</u>	<u>Room/Field</u>
<u>Middle School</u>		
WH Chiefs Soccer Club	March 1 – July 1 Saturday 2 pm – Dusk	Field
	March 1 – July 1 Sunday 8am – Dusk	Field

PTSA Clothing Drive	April 15 8:30 am-3:00 pm	Entrance Sidewalk and Parking Lot
WH Little League	March 26 – July 1 Sat & Sun 10am –Dusk Mon – Fri 4:30 - Dusk	Field Field
<u>Chestnut Street</u>		
WH Little League	March 26 – July 1 Sat & Sun 10am –Dusk Mon – Fri 4:30 - Dusk	Field Field
<u>Cornwell Avenue</u>		
WH Little League	March 26 – July 1 Sat & Sun 10am –Dusk Mon – Fri 4:30 - Dusk	Field Field

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 #7-253: Upon the motion of Ms. Shinsato, seconded by Ms. Close and carried by seven, the Board motioned to discuss new policy – Graduation Ceremonies – at the next Policy/Business meeting.

Under **BOARD PRIVILEGE OF THE FLOOR:**

There was no discussion.

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

At 9:11 p.m., upon the motion of Ms. Greaves, seconded by Ms. Shinsato and carried by seven, the Board adjourned to Executive Session to receive advice from counsel, negotiations and the tabled dockets.

At 10:15 p.m., upon the motion of Ms. Close, seconded by Ms. Shinsato and carried by seven, the Board adjourned Executive Session back into the Business Meeting.

Docket #7-241: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Cole and carried by seven, the Board denied a Transportation Request.

Docket #7-242: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Cole and carried by seven, the Board denied a Transportation Request.

Docket #7-243: Upon the motion of Mr. Trocchia, seconded by Mr. Cole and carried by seven, the Board denied a Transportation Request.

At 10:53 p.m., upon the motion of Ms. Close, seconded by Mr. Magaraci and carried by seven, the Board adjourned Executive Session.

Kathryn Girolamo, District Clerk