

MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 12, 2017 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

A REGULAR MEETING of the Board of Education of the West Babylon Union Free School District, Town of Babylon, Suffolk County, New York, was held on TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2017, in the Board Room of the Administration Building.

Board of Education Members present:

Trustees: Lucy Campasano, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Longo, and Jennifer Wandasiewicz. Trustees Dennis Kranz, Raymond Downey and John Evola were absent. Trustee Peter Scarlatos arrived at 6:10 PM.

Also present:

Dr. Yiendhy Farrelly, Superintendent of Schools; Mr. Shawn Hanley, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Mrs. Michele Psarakis, CPA, Executive Director for Finance & Operations; Mr. Scott Payne, Executive Director for Curriculum & Instruction; William C. Morrell, Esq., School Attorney; and Ms. Barbara A. Burrows, District Clerk.

1. OPENING OF MEETING & EXECUTIVE SESSION

Procedural: A. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Meeting opened at 6:10 PM.

Action: B. Executive Session

Motion to enter into executive session for the purpose of personnel, negotiations and legal matters

Motion by Jennifer Wandasiewicz, second by Cathy Gismervik.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Lucy Campasano, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Longo, Jennifer Wandasiewicz

Not Present at Vote: Peter Scarlatos

Procedural: C. Call to Order by Presiding Officer

2. PUBLIC SESSION-7:00 PM

Action: A. Approval of Minutes of previous Meeting(s): August 22, 2017

Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 22, 2017

Motion by Jennifer Wandasiewicz, second by Cathy Gismervik

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Lucy Campasano, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Longo, Jennifer Wandasiewicz

Not Present at Vote: Peter Scarlatos

Procedural: B. Statement of the Board and/or Superintendent

Dr. Farrelly began the meeting by welcoming the Board of Education Trustees, the staff, faculty and students to the 2017-2018 school year. She said the district had a wonderful start to the school year! At the Superintendent's Conference Day, Mr. Steve J. Pinto, M.S., LMHC, NCC, CAMS-1, of Life Center Counseling & Health Services, Huntington, New York, started things off with a presentation on mindfulness for our staff and faculty members. Emphasis was placed on the importance of being in the moment...creating a space for ourselves to think...to breathe...space between ourselves and our reactions. He also emphasized the importance of change and growth in our daily practice. The presentation was well received. Dr. Farrelly shared her remarks from the Superintendent's Day Conference where she emphasized the importance of taking care of yourself, and family, as well as colleagues, and ensuring we never take the "easy route" with our students. Despite the rain on the first day our students returned to school, the children had huge smiles and were engaged and happy to see their friends and teachers. Dr. Farrelly said she had posted pictures on Facebook and Twitter. Dr. Farrelly thanked our Buildings and Grounds department for the countless hours worked to get the district buildings ready for opening day. She asked, "If you see them, please thank and acknowledge them!" As a follow up to the discussion on regents weight - the student data has been analyzed further. Dr. Farrelly said since HS regent state assessments do not positively affect students', with disabilities, GPA, she has asked Mr. Payne and the HS committee to review this data and reconsider our current weight for regents exams. This topic will be added to the October 24th BOE agenda for discussion. On September 27th, Dr. Farrelly stated we will review our State Education Department school standing report. As a quick summary, she said all of our schools are considered to be in "good standing". However, there are many factors we need to review. In following up on a "great" suggestion by Trustee Diane Klein, the Board of Education, tonight, has been provided with copies of the curriculum guide and graduation requirements as a reference. Dr. Farrelly said it was wonderful to see our student athletes in the afternoons out practicing! It is a good start for many of our interscholastic teams. Dr. Farrelly also shared the many "social media" outlets that the district utilizes to communicate information to the community and highlighted that our School Lunch Department is now tweeting the HS lunch menu to the HS students.

Procedural: C. Statement of West Babylon Teachers Association Representatives

Dr. Patricia Neville, WBTA Secondary Vice President, stated she was representing Mr. Robert Dell'Isola who was unable to attend due to family commitments. She said Mr. Dell'Isola will be at the next meeting. Ms. Neville stated the Junior High School is looking good and positive feedback has been received regarding the other buildings.

Procedural: D. Statement of West Babylon School Administrators Association Representatives

Mr. Steve O'Leary, WBAA President, thanked the Board of Education and Central Administration for their assistance with a great start to the school year. He shared that the start of school at the High School has gone well and commented on the new high school bus loop/entrance which is working out very well. Mr. O'Leary said this a tremendous improvement as far as arrival and dismissal procedures are concerned. In addition, he said all the summer capital project improvements at the HS are amazing.

Procedural: E. Statement of C.S.E.A. Representatives

None

Procedural: F. Statement of Student Association Representatives

None

Procedural: G. Statement of PTA Council Representatives

None

Procedural: H. Statement of Residents re: agenda items [15 minutes-limited to 3 minutes per speaker]

None

3. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AND/OR EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION

Discussion: A. Elementary Intervention Services: Dr. Yiendhy Farrelly, Superintendent; Mr. Scott Payne, Executive Director for Curriculum & Instruction; Elementary Principals

Dr. Farrelly thanked all of the administrators, curriculum specialists and interventionists for working together to achieve lofty goals. She said she is so proud of what we have developed for our students and teachers. She acknowledged that we still have a ways to go, but together we will identify the concerns and make necessary changes that will benefit our students. At that point, Dr. Farrelly introduced Mr. Payne to begin the presentation. Mr. Payne provided a handout which coordinated with the PowerPoint presentation. The K-5 Intervention/Enrichment "Progress Report" will focus on that which is "Completed" and that which is considered to be "In Progress". Completed items were listed as intervention schedules; intervention programs; balanced student support; and consistent screening mechanisms. "In Progress" items were listed as PD without loss of instructional time; enrichment programs/schedules; parent reports (progress monitoring and notifications); Instructional Support Team ("IST") composition and scheduling; and "Fine Tuning" of intervention programs. Other benefits of the program were listed as physical education instruction will increase to an average of 125 minutes per week for all students; 50 minute special area classes will meet once every 6 days (slightly more time, with slightly less transitions); no more "double prep" days for teachers in grades 4-5; enrichment programs will be available for students* (*scheduled interventions will interfere with these programs); rotating schedule will address "lost days"; all class times will be consistent throughout the district; this schedule may allow for specialized PD without loss of class instruction time by the teachers; and this schedule has designated teaching slots in the day for each academic area -- this coincides with the new K-5 curricula in social studies, science, math and literacy.

Discussion: B. Overview of 2016-2017 NYS Student Assessment Results: Dr. Yiendhy Farrelly, Superintendent; Mr. Scott Payne, Executive Director for Curriculum & Instruction; Principals

Mr. Payne provided a handout which coordinated with the PowerPoint presentation. The focus was on Regents results (passing rate) relating to the January English, social studies, science, math and foreign language regents exams. ELA, social studies, science, math and foreign language mastery and percentage trends from 2012 to 2017 were discussed. The second part of the presentation focused on Grades 3-8 ELA and Math Assessment results which included discussion of the district's ranking in comparison to local districts.

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Action (Consent): A. Approval of the Consent Agenda Items

Resolved: Motion to approve the consent agenda

Motion by Peter Scarlatos, second by Jennifer Wandasiewicz.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Lucy Campasano, Peter Scarlatos, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Longo, Jennifer Wandasiewicz

5. BOARD OF EDUCATION

Action (Consent): A. Adoption of 2017-2018 District, Board and Superintendent's Goals *

RESOLVED: that the 2017-2018 District, Board and Superintendent's Goals are adopted as follows:

2017-2018 DISTRICT, BOARD, AND SUPERINTENDENT'S GOALS

District Goals

Commit to a district-wide comprehensive long range strategic plan with measurable goals & objectives that are evaluated for annual improvement. (01.01.01)

Provide rigorous and relevant standards aligned instructional and co-curricular programs taught by highly effective staff for the purpose of improving student achievement and preparing students to be college and career ready while meeting all New York State and Federal mandates. (06.00.00)

Enhance communication methods to further promote relationships between the school district and the community. (02.00.00)

Maintain fiscal stability and improve efficiency while providing quality educational programs for our students. (03.00.00)

Provide safe, healthy and well maintained facilities for the physical, social and emotional well being of students and staff. (04.00.00)

Board Goals

Monitor progress of the district's strategic plan, review measurable goals & objectives and establish policies to support district goals. (01.03.01)

Ensure that the goals of the instructional program of West Babylon not only meet but exceed the standards of the Common Core Curriculum of New York State.

Commit to Board staff development.

Maintain fiscal stability that addresses the needs of the district while balancing the community's commitment in difficult financial times. (03.01.00)

Superintendent's Goals

Monitor progress of the district's strategic plan, review/modify measurable goals & objectives and establish administrator actions to support district goals. (01.03.01)

Facilitate administrative collegial forums focused on administrator roles, responsibilities and best practices that ensure we are utilizing student data to drive actions and improve student success.

Examine employee morale and implement ways to improve upon district culture and employee morale. (05.03.00)

Maintain fiscal stability that addresses the needs of the district while balancing the community's commitment in difficult financial times. (03.01.00)

Improve upon the overall health and safety of the school district. (04.01.00)

***Dr. Farrelly stated the administration team is working to develop their CIRs (Continuous Improvement Reports) based on the 2017-2018 Goals. For Board of Education Goal #3 - Board Development - Dr. Farrelly has provided the Board of Education Trustees with a list of NYSSBA (New York State School Boards Association) professional development opportunities. If the Board of Education and Central Administrators are interested, NYSSBA representatives will come on-site and work with the group or their webinars could be viewed together and discussed as a team. Dr. Farrelly asked the Board to let her know how to proceed.**

Action (Consent): B. Contract Approval for Christian Nursing Registry, Inc

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following agency to provide nursing services, to West Babylon School District resident students, for the 2017-2018 school year: Christian Nursing Registry, Inc.

Action (Consent): C. Contract Approval for Bayport - Blue Point Union Free School District

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the Bayport-Blue Point School District to provide special educational services, to West Babylon School District resident students, for the 2017-2018 school year.

Action (Consent): D. Contract Approval for Reach for the Stars Tutoring, Inc.

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following agency to provide academic tutoring services, to West Babylon School District resident students, for the 2017-2018 school year: Reach for the Stars Tutoring, Inc.

Action (Consent): E. Contract Approval-Addendum-New York Therapy Placement Services, Inc

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves this ADDENDUM, to the New York Therapy Placement Services, Inc. contract, to include daily rate for Assistive Technology provider for West Babylon School District resident special education students receiving services: ADDENDUM to New York Therapy Placement Services, Inc.

Action (Consent): F. V. Mazliah-Employment Agreement

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education authorizes the Board President and the Superintendent of Schools to sign an Employment Agreement, with Mrs. Valerie Mazliah, Behavior Specialist, for the period August 28, 2017 through June 30, 2020.

Action (Consent): G. E. Salas - Employment Agreement

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves a change in title from senior guard to Director of School Safety and authorizes the Board President and the Superintendent of Schools to sign an Employment Agreement, with Mr. Edwin Salas, for the period September 13, 2017 through June 30, 2020.

6. PERSONNEL - BOARD OF EDUCATION 17-A-

Action (Consent): A. New Agenda Item (N/A)

7. PERSONNEL - PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL 17-P-4

Action (Consent): A. 2017-2018 Part-Time Appointment/Physical Ed. Teacher

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

The following probationary teacher is being recalled from the Physical Education Preferred Eligibility List:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Torres	Nicole	PT/Physical Ed. Tchr. (.3)	JK/FA	Step A-5-7/ \$73,688. (prorate @ 30%)	9/13/17 - 6/30/18	

Action (Consent): B. 2017-2018 Elementary Club & Advisor/SA

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Sagginario	Jennifer	Student Council Advisor	SA	\$521.	2017-2018	[repl. R.Schapira]

Action (Consent): C. 2017-2018 Club & Advisor/JH

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Hirsch	Malcolm	Peer Advisory	JH	\$1,168.	2017-2018	

Action (Consent): D. 2017-2018 Club & Advisor/JH

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
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Heaton	Bryan	Jazz Band Gr.7	JH	\$2,121.	2017-2018
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Action (Consent): E. 2017-2018 Coaching

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	COMMENTS
Carlson	Thomas	Varsity Head	Gymnastics	\$5,228.	Fall 2017	Pending Certifications
Brostowski	James	Varsity Assistant	Girls Soccer	\$4,201.	Fall 2017	Pending Certifications [repl. R. Raber]
Fedelem	Patricia	Varsity Assistant Volunteer	Field Hockey	-\$0.-	Fall 2017	Pending Certifications
Fitzpatrick	Justin	JV Head	Boys Soccer	\$5,228.	Fall 2017	Pending Certifications
Fordyce	Hannalee	JV Head	Girls Volleyball	\$5,228.	Fall 2017	Pending Certifications
Livoti	Deandra	JHS Head	Cheerleading	\$2,488.	Fall 2017	Pending Certifications [repl. E. Jones]
Palumbo Jr.	Frank	JHS Assistant	Football	\$4,201.	Fall 2017	Pending Certifications [repl. M. Epps]
Cornelia	Thomas	Varsity	Dive Consultant - Swimming	\$22.64/hr	Fall 2017	Pending Certifications
Bachety	Daniel	Varsity Assistant	Girls Basketball	\$5,911.	Winter 2017-2018	Pending Certifications
Livoti	Deandra	JHS Head	Cheerleading	\$2,488.	Winter 2017-2018	Pending Certifications [repl. E. Jones]
Kleman	Ellen	JHS Head	Volleyball	\$4,201.	Early Winter 2017-18	Pending Certifications
Bachety	Daniel	Varsity Assistant	Boys Lacrosse	\$5,228.	Spring 2018	Pending Certifications
Riviezzo	Frank	JHS Assistant	Baseball	\$3,948.	Spring 2018	Pending Certifications [repl. B. Mando]

Action (Consent): F. SAT Proctors

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
SAT Proctors:			HS	\$2.64/hr	8/26/17	
Valensisi	Valerie					4 Hours
Clark	Katie					5 Hours
Dombo	Stephen					5.5 Hours
Leonard	Matthew					5.5 Hours
Neville	Patti					5.5 Hours
Heaton	Bryan					6 Hours
Borgo	Danielle					6 Hours
Heaton	Elise					6 Hours
Vella	Suzanne					6 Hours
McArdle	Patrick					6 Hours
Jones-Desiderio	Roberta					6.75 Hours
Durbin	Andrea					10 Hours
Montalvo	Christina	Test Supervisor				10 Hours

Action (Consent): G. SAT Proctors

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
S.A. T. Proctors:			HS	\$22.64/hr.	9/1/17	
Amaya	Idalia					6 hrs.
Dombo	Stephen					6 hrs.
Hickey	Susan					1 hr.
Thomas	Stephanie					5 hrs.

Action (Consent): H. Summer Work - Screening New Entrants

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Heller	Rebecca	Screening	Elementary	\$78.19/hr.	August, 2017	Up to .50 add'l. hrs

Action (Consent): I. 2017 Summer Curriculum Work-Interventionist/Specialist

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Summer Curriculum Work:						Summer, 2017
Zypula	Jamie	Math Specialist	Elementary	\$87.74/hr.		Up to 1.5 additional hrs.
Giorgianni	Allison	Math Specialist	Elementary	\$97.16/hr.		Up to 3 additional hrs.
Bedford	Paula	Math Specialist	Elementary	\$100.89/hr.		Up to 3 additional hrs.
Heller	Rebecca	Reading Specialist	Elementary	\$78.19/hr.		Up to 1 additional hr.

Action (Consent): J. Fall, 2017 Student Teacher/Observer/Intern**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END	APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Antonawich	Daniel	Soc. St./Special Ed	HS			Fall, 2017	

Action (Consent): K. 2017-2018 Per Diem Substitutes**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END	APPT.	COMMENTS
Per Diem Substitutes:		DW		\$125./day	2017-2018		
Maiale	Corey						[cert: Soc. St. 7-12]
Milek	Michelle						
O'Kane	Lisa						
Sloan	Taylor						[certs: Ch. Ed. 1-6, pending SWD 1-6]
Smith	Meghan						[certs: Ch. Ed. B-2 & 1-6, SWD B-2 & 1-6]
Stark	Shannon						[certs: Math 7-12, Literacy B-6]
Woltmann	Debra						[cert: Ch. Ed. 1-6]

Action (Consent): L. 2017-2018 Per Diem Substitutes**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END	APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Bradley-Richardson	Katharine	Per Diem Substitute		(.2) \$25./day	2017-2018		
Laronga	Jenna	Per Diem Substitute		(.2) \$25./day	2017-2018		
Smith	Kerri	Per Diem Substitute		(.4) \$50./day	2017-2018		
Torres	Nicole	Per Diem Substitute		(.7) \$87.50/day	2017-2018		

Action (Consent): M. 2017 Club & Advisor**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END	APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Lynde	Jennifer	Musical Director	HS	\$2,575.	2017-2018		Emergency Conditional Appt.

Action (Consent): N. AEHS Teacher**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END	APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Alternative Evening	High School Teacher:			\$34.85/hr.	9/25/17-6/15-18		
Darby	Nicholas	Social Studies					

8. PERSONNEL - CIVIL SERVICE PERSONNEL 17-C-4**Action (Consent): A. Resignation - School Bus Driver****RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education accepts the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END	APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Galan	Joseph	School Bus Driver	Trans.		8/21/17		Resignation

Action (Consent): B. Resignation - Special Education Aide/TA**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education accepts the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END	APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Marsden	Melissa	Paraprofessional TA (special ed. aide)			8/24/17		Resignation

Action (Consent): C. Leave of Absence - Food Service Worker/JH**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END	APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Heery	Deborah	Food Service Worker	'B'JH		9/1/17 - 6/30/18		Leave of Absence

Action (Consent): D. Leave of Absence - Special Education Aide/JH**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END	APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
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Glennon	Josephine	Paraprofessional (special ed. aide)	JH		9/1/17 - 6/30/18	Leave of Absence
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Action (Consent): E. Leave of Absence - Special Education Aide/HS

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Tullo	Doreen	Paraprofessional (special ed. aide)	HS		9/1/17 - 3/1/18	Leave of Absence

Action (Consent): F. Leave of Absence - Special Education Aide/FA

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Mule	Carrie	Paraprofessional (special ed. aide)	FA		9/1/17 - 12/1/17	Leave of Absence

Action (Consent): G. Leave of Absence - School Monitor/JK

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Flaack	Sandra	Paraprofessional (school monitor)	JK		9/14/17 - 6/30/18	Leave of Absence

Action (Consent): H. 2017-2018 Part-Time Appointment/Physical Therapist

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Bridgwood	Frances	PT/Physical Therapist(.4) (10 month)	SA/DW	Step 1/ \$73,143. (prorate @ 40%)	9/13/17 - 6/30/18	[cert: NYS Licensed Therapist]

Action (Consent): I. Provisional Appointment

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Salas	Edwin	Director of School Safety	DW	\$71,206. (prorate)	9/13/17	Provisional Appt.
Salas	Edwin	Senior Guard	DW		9/13/17-9/13/18	Leave of Absence

Action (Consent): J. Probationary Appointment/School Bus Driver

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Howell	Shahqueen	School Bus Driver	Trans.	Step 1/ \$20.33/hr.	9/13/17	Probationary Appt.

Action (Consent): K. 2017 Summer Work

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	COMMENTS
Peterson	Frances	Clerk Typist	HS Nurse's Office	\$17.41/hr.	Summer 2017	1.5 additional hours

Action (Consent): L. 2017-2018 Per Diem Substitutes/FSW

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Per Diem Substitutes:			DW	\$12./hr.	2017-2018	Food Service Workers
Fanelli	Kimberly					
Mendoza	Dawn					Emergency Conditional Appt.
Morrell	Gina					

Action (Consent): M. 2017-2018 Per Diem Substitute/Guard

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Per Diem Substitute :			Elem.	\$17./hr.	2017-2018	Guard
			Sec.	\$18./hr.	2017-2018	
Huggins	Moir					Emergency Conditional Appt.

Action (Consent): N. 2017-2018 Per Diem Substitute/Custodian

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITIONS	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Per Diem Substitute:			DW	\$12./hr.	2017-2018	Custodian
Iannelli	Salvatore					

9. FINANCE

Action (Consent): A. 2017-2018 Senior Citizen and Clergy Exemptions

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education acknowledges the 2017-2018 Assessed Valuation, as received by the Town of Babylon, for the Senior Citizen Exemption as \$408,300 and the Clergy Exemption as \$9,000.

Action (Consent): B. 2017-2018 West Babylon Public Library Tax Levy

RESOLVED: that the amount to be raised by tax levy, for the West Babylon Public Library, be fixed at the sum of \$3,576,525.00, for the 2017-2018 school year, as presented by Ms. Gail Pepa, Director of the West Babylon Public Library.

Action (Consent): C. 2017-2018 West Babylon Union Free School District Tax Levy

RESOLVED: that the amount to be raised by tax levy, for the West Babylon Union Free School District, be fixed at the sum of \$69,619,034.00, for the 2017-2018 school year.

Action (Consent): D. June 2017 Treasurer's Report

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the Treasurer's Report for the month of June 2017.

Information: E. Schedule of Bills

10. CURRICULUM

Action (Consent): A. New Agenda Item (N/A)

11. FACILITIES

Action (Consent): A. New Agenda Item (N/A)

12. POLICY REVIEW

Action: A. Policy 6240-Investments (Second Time Discussion)

Motion to move policy to "Third Time Adoption".

Motion by Diane Klein, second by Jennifer Wandasiewicz.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Lucy Campasano, Peter Scarlatos, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Longo, Jennifer Wandasiewicz

Action: B. Policy 6700-Purchasing (Second Time Discussion)

Motion to move policy to "Third Time Adoption".

Motion by Jennifer Wandasiewicz, second by Peter Scarlatos.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Lucy Campasano, Peter Scarlatos, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Longo, Jennifer Wandasiewicz

Action: C. Policy 6700-R-Purchasing (Second Time Discussion)

Motion to move policy to "Third Time Adoption".

Motion by Peter Scarlatos, second by Jennifer Wandasiewicz.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Lucy Campasano, Peter Scarlatos, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Longo, Jennifer Wandasiewicz

Action: D. Policy 8414.5-Alcohol and Drug Testing of Bus Drivers (Third Time Adoption)

Motion to Adopt policy.

Motion by Jennifer Wandasiewicz, second by Peter Scarlatos.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Lucy Campasano, Peter Scarlatos, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Longo, Jennifer Wandasiewicz

13. OLD BUSINESS

Discussion: A. Capital Project Update-Dr. Yiendhy Farrelly, Superintendent; Mrs. Michele Psarakis, CPA, Executive Director for Finance & Operations

Dr. Farrelly and Mrs. Psarakis discussed the following topics: site lighting being worked on; Eagle Hall-JHS is an active construction site; electric panel upgrades are occurring this month; and "tiny" toilets at Tooker Avenue School are scheduled to be replaced soon. Also, a meeting is to be scheduled with Mrs. Psarakis, Mr. Ray Graziano, Director of Facilities III, BBS and School Construction to discuss the "puddling" problem in various spots. The HS morning drop off has been tremendously improved since the installation of the new bus loop. Dr. Farrelly said "thank you" to all involved in the design/construction process. The additional HS parking spots are also a great improvement for staff and community members. Mrs. Psarakis and Dr. Farrelly, in the next two weeks, will be conducting walk-throughs at the HS and JFK which will enable them to report back, at the next Board meeting, information relating to ceiling and floors replacement options. Board President Lucy Campasano raised a question regarding Tooker Avenue electrical relating to a possible change in the service. Mrs. Psarakis said there will not be a change in the service other than panel updating/service upgrading which is currently in progress at Tooker Avenue.

14. NEW BUSINESS

Discussion: A. New Agenda Item (N/A)

15. RESIDENTS STATEMENTS

Procedural: A. Follow-up to Residents' Statements

Procedural: B. Statements of Residents re: other district items [15 minutes-limited to 3 minutes per speaker]*

Ms. Fatime McKeon, West Babylon resident, raised a question relating to an enrichment assessment period/timeframe. Mr. Payne stated the K-5 Intervention/Enrichment Plan is scheduled to start September 18th. The elementary intervention services correspond with the enrichment. The minimal enrichment is 5 weeks long and the longest is 13 weeks. During the first or second week of October there will be a "reassessment". Ms. McKeon also raised a question about "opt outs" and the benefits, if any, to the student and/or district, regarding test participation. Ms. McKeon suggested the district should provide some type of informational handout. Dr. Farrelly thanked Ms. McKeon for sharing her insight and suggestions. Dr. Farrelly said state testing/state assessment is one data point...one small snapshot of our district and how students are doing at a moment in time. Student progress is assessed using multiple measures by teachers. She further stated state assessment was not part of the last 7 to 8 months of discussion regarding the new intervention plan. We focused on student needs. That is our priority. Dr. Farrelly is hopeful/optimistic that the state will listen to areas of concerns raised by the Suffolk County Schools Superintendents Association (which she is a member of) and that the suggestions provided are considered and utilized by the state to make the necessary adjustments.

Ms. Elizabeth Ehrichs, West Babylon resident, followed up on Ms. McKeon's question relating to "opt outs". She said as a parent she would like to know if there are district ramifications and have information broken down to include the financial piece. Ms. Ehrichs feels it is frustrating for parents. Ms. Ehrichs also raised several questions relating to the 20% regents weight on GPA. Dr. Farrelly said the plan is to look at how the percentage rate effects all students and not just special needs students. Student data will be reviewed and all options explored. Ms. Ehrichs asked if parents could be part of the committee. Based on student confidentiality, a parent is not permitted to be a committee member. Dr. Farrelly said there will be a presentation at the October 24th Board meeting relative to this topic.

Ms. Sue Tronolone, West Babylon resident, asked if the 20% regents weight on GPA would be retroactive to students who failed this year. Dr. Farrelly said there would be several steps relating to any change. First, would there be a change; Second, if yes...what would that change be and how do we move forward to implement; and Third, would any change be retroactive. Ms. Tronolone thanked Mr. Michael Devane and Dr. Stephanie Thomas for all their assistance relating to scheduling.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Action: A. Adjourn Meeting (Should take place by 10:00 PM).

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting at 8:30 PM.

Motion by Jennifer Wandasiewicz, second by Diane Klein.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Lucy Campasano, Peter Scarlatos, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Longo, Jennifer Wandasiewicz

Attest to: _____
District Clerk