

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF MARCH 26, 2019

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, March 26, 2019, in the Board Room of the Administration Building.

Board of Education Members present

Trustees: Lucy Campasano, Dennis Kranz, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, and Jennifer Wandasiewicz. Trustee Peter Scarlatos arrived at 5:15 PM, Trustee John Evola and Trustee Raymond Downey arrived at 5:30 PM. Trustee Jennifer Longo was not present.

Also present

Dr. Yiendhy Farrelly, Superintendent of Schools; Mr. Shawn Hanley, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Mrs. Michele Psarakis, CPA, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations; Mr. Scott Payne, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction; and William C. Morrell, Esq., School Attorney and Ms. Barbara A. Burrows, District Clerk. There were approx. 12 audience members.

1. OPENING OF MEETING & EXECUTIVE SESSION-5:10 PM

Procedural: A. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Procedural: B. Call to Order by Presiding Officer

Action: C. Executive Session

Motion to enter into executive session to discuss individual contracts due to expire in June, 2019 and Senior High School personnel discipline matters.

Motion by Jennifer Wandasiewicz, second by Cathy Gismervik.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Lucy Campasano, Dennis Kranz, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Wandasiewicz

2. PUBLIC SESSION-7:16 PM

Action: A. Approval of Minutes of previous Meeting(s): Regular Meeting of 3/12/19

Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of 3/12/19.

Motion by Jennifer Wandasiewicz, second by Peter Scarlatos.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Lucy Campasano, Dennis Kranz, Peter Scarlatos, Ray Downey, John Evola, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Wandasiewicz

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

Dr. Farrelly welcomed all in attendance to the meeting. She shared that April 1st to April 5th is School Librarians Recognition Week. Dr. Farrelly asked all to join her in thanking our district-wide librarians for all the support they provide to our students, staff and faculty.

Dr. Farrelly said the district has been selected by the New York State Education Department to participate in Desk Review Monitoring of the following federal programs: Title I, Part A; Title I, Part C; Title I, Part D; Title II, Part A; Title IV, Part A; and McKinney-Vento Homeless Education. Dr. Farrelly was involved with this same review years ago ... this is an intensive audit of the district's federal grant that will last 2 to 3 months. Mr. Scott Payne will be the administrator responsible for this review.

Dr. Farrelly also shared that the New York State Department of Education has identified the district as having to complete a Participation Rate Improvement Plan ("PRIP") for the 2019-2020 school year for various sub groups. This identification is based on comparing our 2016-17 NYS Assessment participation rates with our 2017-2018 rates. This is all related to the high state assessment opt out rates. Mr. Payne will develop the required SED plan with our principals. To reiterate previous discussions, the state assessments are only one snapshot of how our students are doing - on a particular day - on a particular subject matter - as compared to other students in other school districts throughout the state. It is the only measure that exists which allows us to look at how the students are doing on the standards as compared to everyone else outside of West Babylon. Copies of several documents relating to assessments were available on the counter for parents. These same documents will also be posted to the website. Parents are encouraged to call their principal or Mr. Payne with any additional questions they may have relating to the state assessments. Parents may also visit the SED's website.

Procedural: C. Statement of West Babylon Teachers Association Representatives

None

Procedural: D. Statement of School Administrators Association Representatives

None

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]

Mr. Jean Blanchard, a member of the Long Island Eagles Semi-Pro Football Team, and a West Babylon graduate class of 2003, read a statement relating to Item 14 on the agenda - "New Business: A. Request to Waive Use of Facilities Fees-Long Island Eagles". A copy of Mr. Blanchard's statement is on file in the office of the District Clerk. Discussion was held regarding district policy/procedures relating to the Use of Facilities and Fees. Dr. Farrelly thanked Mr. Blanchard for his statement and apologized that the policy was not previously reviewed with him. She indicated the trustees will vote on the waiver of fees under the New Business section of the agenda later in the evening.

3. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AND/OR EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION

Information: A. 2019-2020 Budget Information: Dr. Yiendhy Farrelly, Superintendent of Schools

Please Note:

**2019-2020 BOCES Budget Vote and BOCES Board Trustees Election:
April 30, 2019 -- 7:00 PM -- Administration Building**

2019-2020 West Babylon School District Budget:

Budget Hearing:

May 7, 2019 -- 6:00 PM -- Administration Building

District Budget Vote and Trustees Election:
May 21, 2019 -- 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM -- Administration Building & Santapogue School

Tenga en Cuenta:
Elección del Presupuesto de BOCES y los Miembros de la Junta Directiva de BOCES:
Abril 30, 2019 -- 7:00 PM -- Edificio de Administración

2019-2020 Presupuesto del Distrito Escolar West Babylon:

Audiencia de Presupuesto:
Mayo 7, 2019 -- 6:00 PM- Edificio de Administracion

Elección del Presupuesto del Distrito y la Elección del Administrador
Mayo 21, 2019 -- 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM -- Edificio de Administración & Escuela Elemental Santapague

Presentation: B. 2019-2020 Budget Draft #2 Presentation: Mrs. Michele Psarakis, CPA, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations; Dr. Yiendhy Farrelly, Superintendent of Schools

Dr Farrelly introduced Mrs. Psarakis and the 2019-2020 Budget Draft #2 - General Fund Budget Draft PowerPoint presentation. The presentation highlighted the following:

- "Revenues" - including focus on the tax levy; other revenues; state aid; revenue projections based on the Governor's proposal; revenue summary; projected reserves and fund balance.
- "Expenditures" - including new budget expenditures; recurring budget expenditures; budget appropriations by object; and projected tax levy.
- "Next Steps" - the budget timeline from April 5, 2019 through the budget vote/trustee election on May 21, 2019.

Mrs. Psarakis said all figures will be finalized for the review of the Final Budget presentation and adoption of the 2019-2020 Budget at the April 9, 2019 Board of Education meeting. The Budget Hearing is scheduled to take place in the Board Room-Administration Building at 6:00 PM on May 7th. The PowerPoint presentation will be posted to the district website.

Presentation: C. Program Evaluations Presentation: Math Grades K-12

The following program evaluations were presented by Mrs. Theresa Taplin, Math Curriculum Specialist:

Math (Grades K-12):

- Math - Grades K-5: Ms. Theresa Taplin
- Math - Grades 6-8: Ms. Karol Craig
- Math - Grades 9-12: Ms. Kathryn Silvio

The program evaluations booklets are available for review in the office of the District Clerk.

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Action (Consent): A. Approval of the Consent Agenda
Motion to approve the consent agenda.

Motion by Jennifer Wandasiewicz, second by Diane Klein.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Lucy Campasano, Dennis Kranz, Peter Scarlatos, Ray Downey, John Evola, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Wandasiewicz

5. BOARD OF EDUCATION (N/A)

6. PERSONNEL - BOARD OF EDUCATION 18-A (N/A)

7. PERSONNEL - PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL 18-P-14

Action (Consent): A. Leave of Absence Request

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
Durbin	Andrea	Science Teacher	HS		First Semester, 2019-2020 Second Semester, 2019-2020	Leave of Absence

Action (Consent): B. Part-Time Appointment-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
Ferrara	Alexandra	PT/Math Specialist (.4)	JH	Step A-5-1/ \$59,392. (prorate @ 40%)	3/27/19-6/14/19	Title I Grant-Funded [cert: Math Ext. 7-9, Child.Ed.1-6]

Action (Consent): C. Add'l. Part-Time Appointment-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
Additional Part-Time Appointment:						
Smith	Kerry	PT/STEM Specialist (.4)	JH	Step A-9-4/ \$78,201. (prorate @ 40%)	3/27/19-6/14/19	Title I Grant-Funded Enrichmer
"	"	PT/Elementary (.6)	JH	Step A-9-4/ \$78,201. (prorate @ 60%)	9/1/18-6/30/19	[8/21/18 BOE]
"	"	Per Diem Substitute Teacher (.4)		\$50./day	9/1/18-3/26/19	

Action (Consent): D. S.A.T. Proctors

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

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	COMMENTS
S.A.T. Proctors:						
Ofsharick	Shannon		HS	\$22.81/hr.	3/9/19	4 hrs.
Dombo	Stephen					5.5 hrs.
McGrath	Donna					5.5 hrs.
Shaffer	Donna					5.5 hrs.

Amaya	Idalia					5.75 hrs.
Kohler	Amy					5.75 hrs.
Diaz	Karen					6 hrs.
Fealey	Miranda					6 hrs.
Valensisi	Valerie					6 hrs.
Nauronis	Melissa					6 hrs.
Neville	Patricia					6 hrs.
Romeo	Marta					6 hrs.
Ruiz	Lawrence					6 hrs.
Borgo	Danielle					6.5 hrs.
Coleman	Therese					6.5 hrs.
Heaton	Elise					6.5 hrs.
Koudelka	Tiffany					6.5 hrs.
McArdle	Patrick					6.5 hrs.
Thomas	Stephanie					6.5 hrs.
Tichy	Audrey					6.75 hrs.
Jones Desiderio	Roberta					8.0 hrs.
Durbin	Andrea					9.5 hrs.
Montalvo	Christina	Test Supervisor				9.5 hrs.

Action (Consent): E. ACT Proctors

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

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	COMMENTS
ACT Proctors:			HS	\$22.81/hr.	2/9/19	
Dombo	Stephen					5.5 Hours
Fealey	Miranda					5.5 Hours
Hickey	Susan					5.5 Hours
Ruiz	Lawrence					6 Hours
Borgo	Danielle					6.5 Hours
McArdle	Patrick					6.5 Hours
Kohler	Amy					7 Hours
Shaffer	Donna					7 Hours
Amaya	Idalia					7.5 Hours
Satriano	Paul					7.5 Hours
Thomas	Stephanie					7.5 Hours

Action (Consent): F. 18-19 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.	COMMENTS
Palminteri	Mark	Rehearsal Accompanist	HS	\$2,006.	2018-2019	

Action (Consent): G. 2018-2019 Per Diem Substitute 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
Per Diem Substitute Teacher:						2018-2019
Cohen	Devon		DW	\$125./day		[cert: Social Studies 7-12]
Ward	Brian					[cert: Physical Education]

8. PERSONNEL - CIVIL SERVICE PERSONNEL 18-C-14

Action (Consent): A. Resignation - 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
Hartmann	Risa	Paraprofessional (special ed. aide)	JH		3/27/19	Resignation

Action (Consent): B. Reclassification - Maintenance Mechanic III

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
Mecalianos	Peter	Maintenance Mechanic III	DW	Step 1/ \$61,749. +1,300. long. (prorate)	3/12/19	[re-classification per C.S. from MMII]

Action (Consent): C. Part-time Appointment - Trans.

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
Spinelli	Francine	Part-time School Bus Driver	Trans.	Step 4/ \$25.77/hr.	3/25/19	[from full-time]

Action (Consent): D. Provisional Appt. - Trans.

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

The following position is abolished effective 3/27/19:

(1.0) School Transportation Assistant - Transportation - 12 month

The following position is established effective 3/27/19:

(1.0) Bus Transportation Specialist - Transportation - 12 month

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Justiniano	Doreen	Bus Transportation Specialist	Trans.	Step 1/ \$45,732. (prorate)	4/1/19	Provisional Appt.

Action (Consent): E. Probationary Appt. - Trans.

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
Figueroa	Brandyann	School Bus Monitor	Trans.	Step 1/ \$17.22/hr.	3/27/19	Probationary Appt.

Action (Consent): F. Probationary Appt. - Trans.

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
Bass	Marshalyn	School Bus Monitor	Trans.	Step 1/ \$17.22/hr.	4/15/19	Probationary Appt.

Action (Consent): G. 2018-2019 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
Per Diem Substitutes:			DW	\$12./hr.		
Hartmann	Risa				3/27/19-6/30/19	Paraprofessional
					2018-2019	
Moore	Francesca					*Food Service Worker
Morra	Lori					*Paraprofessional
Vales	Carmen					*Paraprofessional
						*Emergency Conditional Appointment

9. FINANCE

Action (Consent): A. Approval of Retro Active Budget Transfers

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the retroactive budget transfers.

Action (Consent): B. Approval of 2018-2019 Garden City UFSD Health Services Contract

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves Garden City Union Free School District, to provide Health Services to West Babylon School District resident students, during the 2018-2019 school year.

Action (Consent): C. Approval of Federal Single Audit - Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2018

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education accepts the Federal Single Audit for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2018. A Corrective Action Plan is not required.

Information: D. Schedule of Bills - March 13, 2019

10. CURRICULUM

Action (Consent): A. JHS Club Charter - 2018-2019 Drama Club

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

JHS Drama Club 2018-2019
 Faculty Advisor: Patricia Neville
 President: Ellen McGrath
 Treasurer: Megan Del Monico

11. FACILITIES

Action (Consent): A. Obsolete Equipment - SHS/PAC

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education declares the following equipment, formerly located in the SHS PAC, obsolete. These items are no longer functioning and have been replaced.

Item #	Description	Receiver Serial #	SK300 Transmitter Serial #
1	Sennheiser EM 300 G2 B Wireless Mic System	101817	102190
2	Sennheiser EM 300 G2 B Wireless Mic System	101818	4490004202
3	Sennheiser EM 300 G2 B Wireless Mic System	101826	4490004197
4	Sennheiser EM 300 G2 B Wireless Mic System	101884	400731
5	Sennheiser EM 300 G2 B Wireless Mic System	101885	102130
6	Sennheiser EM 300 G2 B Wireless Mic System	101886	102134
7	Sennheiser EM 300 G2 B Wireless Mic System	101888	102194
8	Sennheiser EM 300 G2 B Wireless Mic System	101894	n/a
9	Sennheiser EM 300 G2 B	101893	102047

10	Wireless Mic System Sennheiser EM 300 G2 B Wireless Mic System	101897	n/a
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12. POLICY REVIEW (N/A)

13. OLD BUSINESS

Information: A. Performing Arts Center ("PAC") Update: Dr. Yiendhy Farrelly, Superintendent of Schools

On the Smart Board, Dr. Farrelly put up two photographs of the Senior High School Performing Arts Center ("PAC") which showed all the scaffolding that is currently up. She said the new air conditioning unit is being assembled and the work is progressing.

14. NEW BUSINESS

Discussion: A. Request to Waive Use of Facilities Fees-Long Island Eagles: Dr. Yiendhy Farrelly, Superintendent of Schools

Board President Lucy Campasano called for a motion to waive the use of facilities fees for the Long Island Eagles Semi-Pro Football Team for this season.

Motion to Approve the Waiver of Fees for the Long Island Eagles Semi-Pro Football Team for this season.

Motion by Peter Scarlatos, second by Jennifer Wandasiewicz.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Lucy Campasano, Dennis Kranz, Peter Scarlatos, Ray Downey, John Evola, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Wandasiewicz

15. RESIDENTS STATEMENTS

Procedural: A. Follow-up to Residents' Statements

None

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

Mr. Gene Attardo, a West Babylon resident, raised a question relating to the math program and what differentiation is. Mrs. Theresa Taplin, Math Curriculum Specialist, said every student deserves to walk out of a class knowing more than what he/she knew before entering that class. When a teacher "differentiates" a lesson he/she is teaching to the level of the students in the classroom. For example, the different classroom activities of higher performing students coordinates with higher level activities and the same for lower performing students. Differentiation within the classroom varies. All parents are encouraged to contact their child's teachers with questions or concerns.

Mrs. Barbara Greengold, a West Babylon resident, read a statement relating to the decision process and hiring of armed guards. Mrs. Greengold felt the debate and process of the decision was deliberately kept from the community. She stated she felt that the Board of Education excluded the public and did not allow for the public discussion of armed guards. She felt the Board did not adhere to the "open meeting law" pertaining to the safety Board subcommittee. She asked the Board to apologize to the community and to rescind the decision. Mrs. Greengold's statement is on file in the office of the District Clerk.

16. ADJOURNMENT

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

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting at 8:05 pM

Motion by Peter Scarlatos, second by Cathy Gismervik.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Lucy Campasano, Dennis Kranz, Peter Scarlatos, Ray Downey, John Evola, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Wandasiewicz

Attested to: _____
District Clerk