

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION
MEETING OF OCTOBER 22, 2024**

*****The October 22, 2024 Board of Education Meeting can be viewed on YouTube accessed through the West Babylon School District website at www.wbschools.org. The minutes of the Board of Education meeting summarize what took place.**

***** The October 22, 2024 Regular Board of Education Meeting, of the West Babylon Union Free School District, Town of Babylon, Suffolk County, New York, NY was held in the Board Room of the Administration Building, 10 Farmingdale Road, West Babylon, New York
The meeting was held in-person**

Members present

Chris Paolillo, John Evola, Roseann Geiger, Cathy Gismervik, Chirsten Johnson Tymann, Patti Neville, Anthony Raccomandato

Also present:

Dr. Yiendhy Farrelly, Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Shawn Hanley, Deputy Superintendent for Human Resources, Mr. Scott Payne, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, Mrs. Denise Gillis, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations, Mr. Chris Venator, Esq., School Attorney and Ms. Jailin Parada, District Clerk. Trustees Downey was absent.

1. OPENING OF MEETING & EXECUTIVE SESSION-5:00 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 review WBTA and CSEA contracts and student matter legal update.

Motion by Patti Neville, second by Roseann Geiger.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Chris Paolillo, John Evola, Roseann Geiger, Cathy Gismervik, Chirsten Johnson Tymann, Patti Neville, Anthony Raccomandato

2. SCHOOL BOARD RECOGNITION PROGRAM - 6:37PM

Recognition: A. School Board Recognition Week - October 21, 2024 - October 25, 2024

Dr. Farrelly expressed gratitude to the community and all those in attendance for participating in the festivities. She commenced her address by noting that this is a unique event, convening the community to recognize and celebrate the commitment and contributions of the Board of Education members. The district is fortunate to have individuals who invest a considerable amount of their time and energy into ensuring the success of our district.

The role of the school board members is to act as advocates for the students, programs and employees. Each of them contributes a distinctive perspective, but collectively, they form a unified team with a singular objective: to establish a supportive and enriching school and work environment for every child in our district and every employee in our district.

Dr. Farrelly highlighted that the district has faced significant challenges over the past year, yet the board members have remained unwavering in their dedication to the school district. From navigating budgetary constraints and addressing the evolving needs of our student populations to making difficult decisions regarding staffing, contracts, and resources. The members of the school board have consistently maintained the focus on the students, staff, and community as the central elements in all discussions and decisions.

On a personal note, Dr. Farrelly expressed her profound gratitude for the invaluable partnership, which is indispensable in advancing the school district. Collectively, we will continue to prioritize the academic, social, and emotional success of the students.

Dr. Farrelly proceeded to share that Suffolk BOCES had extended certificates of appreciation to each board member, commending their unwavering commitment to public education and their dedication to the wellbeing of children. Furthermore, the Suffolk County Executive Office has sent a proclamation to the Board, which is currently in the mail. Dr. Farrelly noted that Mr. O'Leary, President of the West Babylon Administrators Association, was absent due to his participation in the Newsday March Band Festival. The Vice President of the West Babylon Administrators Association, Mrs. Jennifer Carere, spoke on behalf of the Association and expressed gratitude for the board's dedication and commitment. Dr. Farrelly then invited the West Babylon Teachers Association President, Mr. Robert Dell'Isolla, to address the Board. He also acknowledged the Board's commitment to enhancing the learning environment for students and the working conditions for educators. In recognition of this, he and other WBTA members presented each Board member with a gift. Dr. Farrelly then introduced Margaret Barrett, PTA Council Treasurer, who was speaking on behalf of the PTA President, Rachel Schelfo. Mrs. Barrett expressed her gratitude for the significant civic responsibility of overseeing the education of the children, volunteering a considerable amount of time for the improvement of the West Babylon schools. Finally, Dr. Farrelly introduced Ms. Cafiero, Choir, Theatre and Piano Coordinator, who expressed gratitude to the Board for their support of the music department by attending district events. Ms. Cafiero then introduced Anthony Mastrangelo, a junior at the Senior High School, who sang his NYSSMA solo from last year. He has been selected as an Allstate alternate this year and has also been nominated for All Eastern. Following Mr. Mastrangelo's performance, Dr. Farrelly expressed her gratitude to the entire Music/Art Department and invited all attendees to view the artwork on display. She then invited everyone to enjoy desserts.

3. PUBLIC SESSION-7:11 PM

Action: A. Approval of Minutes of previous Meeting(s): Regular BOE Meeting of 10/08/24.

Motion to Approve the Minutes of Regular BOE Meeting of 10/08/24.

Motion by John Evola, second by Anthony Raccomandato.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Chris Paolillo, John Evola, Roseann Geiger, Cathy Gismervik, Chirsten Johnson Tymann, Patti Neville, Anthony Raccomandato

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

Dr. Farrelly thanked the community for coming together to celebrate this special occasion. She also thanked everyone who helped make the Board of Education Recognition Night a success. All statements were made earlier in the meeting.

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

4. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AND/OR EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION

Presentation: A. Presentation: Educational Tours for Students; Ms. Michele Ahouse, Director of Strategic Partnerships, Educational Tours

Ms. Michele Ahouse, Director of Strategic Partners for EF Educational Tours for Students, presented an overview of the company's tours travel program. In her presentation, she delineated the company's educational philosophy, which encompasses their learning outcomes.

An insight into the tour collections that highlight experiences that enhance students' future readiness is provided, including examples of STEM tours, CTE experiences, cultural tours and more.

Furthermore, she provided a PDF document containing the Educational Impact Report, which offers a more detailed analysis of the significance of educational travel for all communities.

Finally, she presented a document that she had previously shared with the board, which outlined the alignment between their learning outcomes and the NYS Portrait of a Graduate. The document demonstrated how their program aligns with the strategic objectives of West Babylon and provided a District Guide for Educational Travel, which outlined their risk mitigation strategies, liability coverage, and other pertinent information.

Following this, the board engaged in a discussion with Ms. Ahouse. Dr. Farrelly will continue to plan the details with Ms. Ahouse's team to offer families this educational tour opportunity (no cost to the District).

At the conclusion of the presentation, the Board President, Mr Paolillo, asked Dr. Farrelly about the LRP presentation to the Board on 28 January, who would be presenting, Dr Farrelly advised that the Committee would be presenting and answering any questions the Board might have.

Information: B. Information: Long Range Planning Update - Dr. Yiendhy Farrelly, Superintendent of Schools

In her presentation of the Long-Range Planning (LRP) Committee Meeting, Dr. Farrelly provided an update on the committee's activities, which have been focused on three key areas: the potential consolidation of elementary schools from 5 to 4 buildings, the identification of opportunities to increase district revenue, and the improvement of operational efficiencies. The committee's objective is to present a comprehensive report on its findings to the Board of Education on 28 January.

A concise overview of our achievements to date is provided below.

- **Facilitator:** Held summer meetings with BOCES representatives to establish a process, and Mike Keany was selected as our facilitator.
- **Committee Invitations:** Emails were sent over the summer to invite participants. The WBTA president was asked to provide two teacher representatives, the PTA Council president to provide two parent representatives, and the WBAA was asked to suggest two principals. Additionally, Dr. Farrelly reached out to the Town of Babylon Historian, architect, real estate agent, facilities director, and special education director - with the district's IT director and specialists joining as needed.
- **Planning Meetings:** Several planning meetings took place with Mike Keany as well as post-meeting debrief meetings.
- **Enrollment Presentation conducted by** BOCES representative presented this report to the committee during one of the meetings.
- **Facilities Capacity Study & Attendance Zones study are underway:** Meetings were held to establish processes for conducting a facilities capacity study and analyzing attendance zones for two proposed models - Princeton k-2, 3-5 grade bands and k-5 grade bands (our architect and our consultant from BOCES are working on this). Currently in the process of gathering and sending them the necessary data reports for the analysis. The district's architect, facilities director and Dr. Farrelly are tentatively scheduled to conduct building walkthroughs next week to complete the current classroom utilization report needed for the capacity study.
- **Transportation Analysis:** A new transportation interim and consultant will be appointed during tonight's board meeting. In addition to analyzing our current routes, he will be conducting the transportation analysis for the two elementary school models.
- **District Calls and Visits:** Yesterday, the Kings Park superintendent was kind enough to spend some time reviewing his current elementary school Princeton model with Dr. Farrelly. A subgroup of the LRP Committee will be visiting one or two additional school districts with a Princeton model to report back to the committee. Dates for next week are being finalized.

- **UPK Model Research:** Mr. Scott Payne, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction will be contacting districts with different UPK models and will share information regarding other districts during our next LRP committee meeting.
- **Sale of Property Research:** Mrs. Denise Gillis, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations and Dr. Farrelly are scheduled to meet with a real estate agent next week to explore property sale and lease options. Additionally, a webpage for the Long Range Planning (LRP) committee has been created and can be accessed from our main site on the left under "Quick Links."

Dr. Farrelly has indicated her intention to maintain the provision of updates at BOE meetings, PTA Council meetings, and other district committee meetings. Furthermore, the principals will disseminate updates pertaining to the LRP during their respective PTA parent meetings. Towards the end of November, once the committee has completed a greater proportion of its assigned tasks, she will send out an email update to families.

Dr. Farrelly reminded the Board that the committee will present viable options to the BOE on 28 January. The dates of 28 January and 11 February have been set aside for the Board to review the findings, pose questions to the Committee and make informed decisions.

5. STATEMENT OF RESIDENTS - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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

None

6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

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

Resolution: Motion to approve the consent agenda.

Motion by Anthony Racomandato, second by Chirsten Johnson Tymann.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Chris Paolillo, John Evola, Roseann Geiger, Cathy Gismervik, Chirsten Johnson Tymann, Patti Neville, Anthony Racomandato

7. BOARD OF EDUCATION

Action (Consent): A. APPR-Certification of Lead Evaluators

WHEREAS, 30-3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents requires certification of lead evaluators for purposes of conducting evaluations of teachers and principals in accordance with the requirements under 3012-d of the Education Law, respecting Annual Professional Performance Reviews;

WHEREAS, the individuals named below have successfully completed a training course that meets the requirements prescribed in 30-3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Schools certifies the following individuals as lead evaluators:

- Shawn Hanley, Deputy Superintendent for Human Resources
- Scott Payne, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction
- Gayle Manchisi, Principal
- Charles Germano, Principal
- Jennifer Carere, Principal

- Denisha Van Liew, Principal
- Christina Cotter, Principal
- Carlos Falcon, Principal
- Alison Somma, Assistant Principal
- Stephen O'Leary, Principal
- Michael Devane, Assistant Principal
- Vincent Fiore, Assistant Principal
- Dennis McEhleron, Interim Director of Student Services
- Theresa Taplin, Director of STEAM
- Cory Kindelmann, Director of K-12 Data & Instructional Technology
- Robert Panariello, Interim Director of PE, Health & Athletics

Action (Consent): B. Long Range Planning Committee Authorization

RESOLVED: Whereas, as requested by the Board of Education in June, 2024, the Superintendent of Schools is authorized to establish a Long Range Planning Committee to research the consolidation of elementary schools, increase revenues and school district efficiencies; Now, therefore, be it resolved, that the individuals attached are authorized to serve on the Long Range Planning Committee for said purpose

Action (Consent): C. 2024-2025 Service Contract - EI US, LLC, d/b/a Learnwell

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approve Learn Well to provide educational services to West Babylon Special Education Students during the 2024-2025 school year.

Action (Consent): D. 2024-2025 Service Contract - Contract Addendum to Kidz Educational Services

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves Kidz Educational to provide AAC Evaluations for West Babylon Special Education Students during the 2024-2025 school year.

Action (Consent): E. 2024-2025 Service Contract - Amendment Health Source Group, Inc.

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves Health Source Group, Inc. to provide nursing services (1:2) to West Babylon Special Education students during the 2024-2025 school year.

Action (Consent): F. 2024-2025 Service Contract - Traceytalk Speech Pathologist, P.C.

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves Traceytalk Speech Pathologist, P.C. to provide speech services to West Babylon Special Education students during the 2024-2025 school year.

Action (Consent): G. Approval of School Source Technologies, LLC Services Agreement

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves School Source Technologies, LLC to provide School Transportation Consultant Services for the 2024-2025 school year.

Action (Consent): H. 2023 - 2024 Service Contract - Bayshore UFSD

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves Bayshore UFSD to provide educational and related services to West Babylon resident students parentally placed in this district during the 2023 -2024 school year.

Action (Consent): I. Committee Meeting Recommendations for BOE

RESOLVED: the West Babylon Board of Education approves the Committee Meeting Recommendations for Special Education students from 09/18/24 to 10/22/24

Action (Consent): J. Approval of Laurel Associates Service Agreement

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves Laurel Associates to provide a Mini College Day program as part of the South Shore Consortium for West Babylon High School students on 10/28/24 and 3/24/25.

8. PERSONNEL - BOARD OF EDUCATION 23-A-

None

9. PERSONNEL - PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL 23-P-7

Action (Consent): A. 2024-2025 Part-Time Appointment Extension - SA/DW

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
Loheit	Lauren	PT/School Psychologist (.6)	SA/DW	Step A-8-11/ \$90,076. +\$2,084. (prorate stipend) (prorate at 60%)	11/23/24-12/16/24	Extension to PT Assignment SA assignment ends 11/27/24 11/28/24-12/16/24 [assists w/ DW reevaluations & support] [cert: School Psychologist]

Action (Consent): B. 2024-2025 Salary Adjustment Corrections

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

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
DaSilva	Amanda		A-9-11/ \$93,720.	9/1/24	
O'Handley	Maxwell		A-5-2/ \$62,809.	9/1/24	

Action (Consent): C. Additional Work - TA

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

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Gonzalez	Eileen	LPN	Tooker Avenue	\$40.01/hr. [prorate]	10/15/24-10/24/24	[additional 45 minutes per day/8 days] updating immunizations & health records

Action (Consent): D. 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.	COMMENTS
Jabour	Lynette	Test Proctor	HS	\$24.32/hr.	10/5/24	4.00 Hours
Ochs	Lisa					4.00 Hours
Doyno	Ian					4.08 Hours
Coleman	Therese					4.08 Hours
Statfeld	Michelle					4.08 Hours
Fealey	Miranda					4.17 Hours
Kronenbitter	Linda					4.17 Hours
Borgo	Danielle					4.17 Hours
Losito	Christopher					4.17 Hours
Ruiz	Lorenzo					4.25 Hours
Meinken	Maria					4.25 Hours
Cancellieri	Laura					4.33 Hours
Loverso	Marybeth					4.50 Hours
Jensen	Robin					4.75 Hours
Leonard	Matthew					5.25 Hours
Tichy	Audrey					5.50 Hours
Montalvo	Christina	Test Supervisor				8.00 Hours

Action (Consent): E. Probationary Period Reduction - Special Education

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

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Tocci	Amanda	Special Education	FA	Probationary Appointment: 1/3/22 Expected Date of Tenure: 1/3/25	Probationary Period Reduction 3 yrs. [verified prior tenure]

Action (Consent): F. 2024-2025 Student Teachers/Observers/Interns:

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

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Student Teachers/Observers/Interns:				2024-2025	
Schuler	Bryan	Social Studies	JH	Fall	

Action (Consent): G. 2024-2025 Per Diem Substitute Nurse

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 Nurses:			DW		2024-2025	
				\$150./day		
				\$175/day 11 + days		
Wright-Patrick	Lavon					

Action (Consent): H. 2024-2025 Per Diem Substitute Teachers

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 Teachers:			DW		2024-2025	
				\$150./day		
				\$175/day 11 + days		
Bhatia	Niketa					[cert:Lit 1-6; Childhood Ed 1-6; Stud Dis 1-6]
Buscareno	Lili					[cert: PE;Health]

Action (Consent): I. 2024-2025 Per Diem Substitute Speech Teacher - DW

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

Last Name	First Name	Position	School Area	Salary	Beg/End Appt.	Comments

McCaffrey	Shannon	PDS/Speech	DW	\$150./day (1-10 days) \$175./day (11 + days)	11/01/24- 06/30/24	As needed for make-up sessions - in addition to her 0.8 part-time speech position
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10. PERSONNEL - CIVIL SERVICE PERSONNEL 23-C-6

Action (Consent): A. Leave of Absence Returnees - JK

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

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Marinello	Christa	Paraprofessional (school monitor)	JK	10/21/24	Returned from Leave of Absence
Nowakowski	Tina Marie	Paraprofessional (special education aide)	TA	10/28/24	Returning from Leave of Absence

Action (Consent): B. Retirement - Trans.

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

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Morvan	Matilda	School Bus Driver	Trans.	10/1/24	Resignation to Retire

Action (Consent): C. Resignations - SB/JK/FA

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
Berrios Rivera	Cindy	Food Service Worker 'B'	SB		10/12/24	Resignation
Dunsmore	Michelle	Paraprofessional (special education aide)	JK		10/25/24	Resignation

Stevenson	Melissa	Paraprofessional (classroom aide)	FA		11/2/24	Resignation
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Action (Consent): D. Probationary Appointments - SB

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
Zoller	Ameera	Paraprofessional (school monitor)	SB	Step 1/ \$18.98/hr.	10/23/24	Probationary Appt. Emergency Conditional Appt.
Perry	Ryan	Paraprofessional (school monitor)	SB	Step 1/ \$18.98/hr.	10/23/24	Probationary Appt. Emergency Conditional Appt.

11. FINANCE

Action (Consent): A. Approval of Claims Auditor Report - September 2024

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the Claims Auditor Report for September 2024.

Action (Consent): B. Obsolete Sports Uniforms

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education declares the following uniforms as obsolete. Uniforms are old, stained and/or ripped.

QUANTITY	TYPE
32	Boys Blue Lacrosse Jerseys
3	Wrestling Singlets
10	Girls Lacrosse Kilts
7	Girls White Lacrosse Shirts
12	Girls Blue Lacrosse Shirts
13	Boys Blue Basketball Shorts
9	Boys White Basketball Shirts
15	Boys Blue Checkered Soccer Shorts
47	Boys Solid Blue Soccer Shorts
21	Boys Blue Soccer Jerseys
9	Miscellaneous Jerseys, Shorts, Pants

Action (Consent): C. Obsolete Office Equipment

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education declares the following office equipment obsolete.

QUANTITY	TYPE
1	Citizen 127 DP Printing Calculator Tag # 16234

Action (Consent): D. Acceptance of Flower Donation - South Bay Elementary

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education gratefully accepts the donation, from South Bay PTA of (7) - 6 inch yellow pansies.

Action (Consent): E. Approval of Fund Balance Transfer

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education authorizes a transfer of \$110,000 from Fund Balance into account A2110.4700 (Tuition - Foster Care) to be used for unanticipated expenditures related to new entrants attending Charter schools.

Information: F. Schedule of Bills - October 17, 2024 Accounts Payable Check Run

12. CURRICULUM

Action (Consent): A. Forest Declaration of Obsolete Library Books

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education declares Library books on the attached list obsolete due to age, condition, are outdated and no longer used

Action (Consent): B. JHS Charter Club 2024-2025 School Store

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following for the 2024-2025 school year:

JHS School Store

Faculty Advisor: RoseLyn Cipparulo

Student President: Bianca Brito

Treasurer: Gabriella Parisi

Action (Consent): C. Declaration of Obsolete JHS Health Text Books

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education declares 49 health books, located in the Junior High School, obsolete. The books are out of date, worn and/or are not suitable for circulation.

13. FACILITIES

None

14. POLICY REVIEW

None

15. OLD BUSINESS

None

16. NEW BUSINESS

Information: A. Superintendent Quality Review Council Update - Mrs. Roseann Geiger, SQRC Board Representative

The SQRC Committee met on October 17 and discussed the 2025-2026 draft school calendar, increasing efficiencies in the district, various EAP opportunities and Mrs. Gillis provided a budget update.

Information: B. District Emergency Response Team Update, Mrs. Cathy Gismervik, DERT Board Representative

Mrs. Gismervik, Board Representative, gave an update on the District Emergency Response Team meeting, she stated the following:

DERT met on 1 October, items discussed were the Emergency Response Plan for 24-25, also mentioned there will be a presentation for the community on 29 May, they also discussed the RAVE app and ways to encourage staff to get on their phones as well as information on school emergency drills. She emphasized that she felt the most important discussion was the review of the shooting that took place in Georgia. She indicated that they discussed the steps and timeframe they took in that scenario. The committee will meet again on 3 December.

Information: C. NYSSBA Resolution Meeting Update - Dr. Patti Neville, Board NYSSBA Representative

Dr Patti Neville, NYSSBA Board Representative, spoke about the meeting she attended at the NYSSBA Resolution Meeting on 10 October. The purpose of the meeting was for Board members to gather and vote on proposed resolutions so that the Board can advocate for the resolution at the state level. Our particular resolution/proposal that we asked to be on the ballot for voting was heard, which was an advocacy for direct funding to school districts for all students enrolled in a BOCES or CTE program. For our resolution that took place, the general consensus was that the BOCES programs are becoming costly. In conclusion, our resolution was also passed. Dr. Neville mentioned other resolutions that were also presented, one of which was electric buses, foundation aid formula, elimination of early dismissal day, elimination of regents. There was one proposal that failed, which was for Superintendents to have a direct line of communication with County Executives instead of state officials. Finally, the proposal to support primary recess being included in teaching time generated the most discussion with a close vote of 113 for and 117 against.

A short conversation ensued amongst board members regarding the voting process during the NYSSBA resolution meeting.

17. RESIDENTS STATEMENTS

Procedural: A. Statements of Residents

A member of the community spoke about the recent regionalization plan imposed by the New York State Department of Education and submitted a letter to the District Clerk entitled "A Letter to our Board of Education: A Community Call for Transparency" The letter is available at the District Clerk's office.

Ms. Montiglio, the events coordinator of the West Babylon Cheerleading Association and a member of the local community, requested that the board consider waiving or reducing the fees associated with their upcoming cheerleading competition, scheduled for November 30th. She noted that the total invoice amounted to approximately \$8,961. Following this, a discussion was held between Ms. Montiglio and the board.

18. ADJOURNMENT

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

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting at 7:58pm.

Motion by Anthony Raccomandato, second by Cathy Gismervik.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Chris Paolillo, John Evola, Roseann Geiger, Cathy Gismervik, Chirsten Johnson Tymann, Patti Neville, Anthony Raccomandato