

A REGULAR MEETING of the Board of Education of the West Babylon Union Free School District, of the Town of Babylon, Suffolk County, New York was held on Tuesday, October 27, 2015, in the Board Room of the Administration Building.

Those present: Trustees Lucy Campasano, John Evola, Ray Downey (left at 6:50 p.m.), Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Dennis Kranz, Jennifer Longo, Peter Scarlatos (left at 7:30 p.m.) and Jennifer Wandasiewicz

Also present: Dr. Yiendhy Farrelly, Superintendent; Mrs. Christine Tona, Executive Director for Curriculum & Instruction; Mrs. Michele Psarakis, Executive Director for Finance and Operations; Mr. Shawn Hanley, Executive Director for Human Resources, Mr. William C. Morrell, Attorney; Mrs. Amy E. Jones, District Clerk; and residents

The President opened the meeting at 5:03 p.m. and led those present in the salute to the flag.

Trustee Gismervik seconded by Trustee Klein made a motion to enter Executive Session for WBTA contract negotiations, a grievance and legal and personnel matters at 5:04 p.m.

The motion was **CARRIED** by all present

The public portion resumed at 6:15 p.m.

Board Recognition:

**Statement of the Superintendent and/or Board of Education:**

Dr. Farrelly spoke on behalf of Ms. Tona, Mrs. Psarakis, Mr. Hanley and herself and said that she wanted to take a moment to thank the Board of Education. As elected officials, school board members serve the West Babylon community by looking out for the best interest of our students. When making decisions about policy, finances, contracts and school programs, our school board members incorporate their community's view into their decision making. They are accessible to the public and hold the Superintendent accountable. They ensure that students get the best education they can get for the tax dollars spent. They bring concerns to my attention and trust that I will address concerns raised. I am forever thankful for their support as Superintendent and for their dedication to the West Babylon community and school system.

Following Dr. Farrelly's statement, the Board was recognized for their dedication to the district and community by various community leaders, staff and students. The evening's program included the following:

**PRESENTATIONS/STATEMENTS from:**

Legislator Kevin McCaffrey and Councilman Tom Donnelly; WBAA Vice President Scott Payne; WBTA Vice President Patti Neville, PTA Council President Daienna Edmonds; and Superintendent Dr. Yiendhy Farrelly who presented the Certificates from WS BOCES – Photos were taken Board President Lucy Campasano thanked the presenters. She clarified that it is often said that being a Board member is a thankless job, she said that the seeing the students perform at all levels is the thanks the trustees receive. Dr. Farrelly added a word of thanks to the families of the trustees for giving the trustees up to fulfill this commitment.

**ENTERTAINMENT:**

HS Seniors Jessica Capobianco, Alex Capobianco, and Anna Fleury shared their process for creating their works of art

JHS Student Cara Cirasole - Performed a traditional Shaker hymn, "Simple Gifts" on French Horn and then sang "When I Get My Name in Lights" from the Broadway musical, The Boy from Oz

The HS Music department performed a Variety Show Act: Song – "Fall for you"

Callie Seward-Vocals; Mary Grace Seward-Vocals; Lauren Prendergast-Vocals; John Paul Louis-Piano; Michael Nieto-Drums; Luke Maerki-Guitar

**SPECIAL THANKS:**

Art Work and Entertainment Joseph Barone, Grades 9-12 Music Chairperson, William Doran, Grades K-8 Music & Art Chairperson, Christine Iaquinto, Grades 9-12 Art Chairperson, and the Music and Art Department Staff and Students

Flowers Jo Poio, President West Babylon Teachers' Association and the WBTA

Refreshments Daeinna Edmonds, West Babylon PTA Council and the West Babylon PTAs

There was a brief intermission for everyone to enjoy the desserts provided by the PTAs. At 7:03 the meeting reconvened.

Trustee Scarlatos seconded by Trustee Evola made a motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 13, 2015 and the Special Meeting of October 20, 2015.

The motion was **CARRIED** by all present

**Statement of CSEA Representative:**

None

**Statement of Student Association Representative:**

None

**STATEMENT OF RESIDENTS (Agenda Items)**

None

**Report of the Superintendent**

**External Auditor's Report – Peter Rodriguez, CPA Cullen & Danowski, LLP**

Dr. Farrelly welcomed Mr. Peter Rodriguez, CPA our external auditor from Cullen & Danowski. He presented his report to the Audit Committee which consists of the entire Board Of Education. The report was presented to the committee. Mr. Rodriguez noted that the district showed improvement in the fund balance which he said was important. He also said that his management letter shows that 7 of the 10 areas in need of improvement have been rectified. One of the areas that is in need of addressing is the extra

classroom activity fund. He said that there are some clubs that are still listed but may not be active and the money from the funds is still in the account. In response to President Campasano's question, Mr. Rodriguez said that if the club is no longer active the funds could be moved to student council's account. Mr. Rodriguez made the following suggestions for the future: any capital project contract awarded should be encumbered right away; Board approvals for any transfer amounts over \$25,000 is not realistic, as long as they are infrequently done and approved at the next meeting, the transfers should be done in a timely manner so that business can carry on; there should be more than one signature on the extra-classroom accounts. The central treasurers at both the HS and JHS are solely responsible for banking, check signing and bookkeeping. He recommended, and the district agrees that there should also be a building administrator's signature on the checks. Mr. Rodriguez said that he will prepare the final report and file them with the State Education Department and the Comptroller's Office and will provide the district with a hard copy, as well.

#### **LI-SPAN – Long Island School Practitioner Action Network – Laure` Loughlin**

Dr. Farrelly said that this evening she would like the Board's endorsement in the district's participation with LI SPAN (Long Island School Practitioner Action Network). LI SPAN is a voluntary organization of school based mental health and other crisis team members, whose mission is to lend a helping hand to member school districts during the time of a building or regional crisis. Dr. Farrelly explained that Ms. Loughlin who is our psychologist at South Bay elementary school, is with us this evening. Ms. Loughlin, on her own time, has gone through extensive training to be part of this team. Signing on to this network does not cost the District anything. By signing on, we are indicating that should we ever have a major crisis on site, this team would come and assist us. Vice versa, should another member school district experience a crisis, we would allow Laure to go and assist their school district. Ms. Loughlin shared that this program is just a way for all to be trained to respond in like fashion to help everyone get back on track. She noted that when South Bay had the major fire a few years ago, she was feeling all of the emotions that everyone else was feeling, but had to take on the role of getting others back on track. The Board agreed that this is a valuable program. President Campasano thanked Ms. Loughlin for signing on for the district.

#### **JHS Concession Stand – BBS Architects – Roger Smith and Karalisa Grundner**

Mr. Roger Smith and Ms. Karalisa Grundner from BBS were present to discuss the JHS concession stand. Dr. Farrelly provided some background information, which included that the JHS concession stand is used by the WB Parents Sports Association and the proceeds earned from the sale of food during the football home games are then given in the form of scholarships by the WB Parents Sports Association. In order to bring the building into compliance, there are three options that can be taken with this building. Dr. Farrelly said she invited Mr. Smith and Ms. Grundner here to provide the Board with an overview of the options that were originally shared with Mr. Cacciola and the Board over a year ago. Mr. Smith discussed some options and the costs associated with the options. The cost to close up the concession stand and use it for storage only would be \$10,200. Cost to have the concession stand only be used for prepackaged food would be similar to the first option. The cost to have a manned vending station with convection oven and all necessary plumbing work would be approximately \$240,408.00 and the cost to have a full cooking station would be approximately \$298,920. The trustees discussed the expense of making the repairs. Some of the trustees want to wait to secure funds before moving forward, others want to at least see what the district would be up against and noted that the timing would be important because the black top is due to be replaced in phase 2 of the capital project. Board President Campasano noted that she as a member of the WB Parents Sports Association has secured a \$30,000 grant towards the repairs and said she also believes that the costs would be considerably lower once the community is involved in possible donations of labor costs and securing some of the materials at a discounted rate.

After further discussion Trustee Kranz seconded by Trustee Gismervik made a motion to allow BBS architects to spend up to \$7,500 to survey the area around the JHS to determine the location of sewer pipes to connect the concession stand and get a better idea of the cost of moving forward.

Voting Yes: Trustees Campasano, Gismervik, Kranz and Wandasiewicz

Voting No: Trustees Evola, Klein and Longo

The motion was **DEFEATED**

Trustee Gismervik seconded by Trustee Wandasiewicz made a motion to approve the **Consent Agenda**

The motion was **CARRIED** by all present

#### **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

##### **#BE-1**

**RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education of the West Babylon Union Free School District hereby approves and authorizes settlement of an action before the Supreme Court of the State of New York, County of Suffolk, Index Number 33419/2013, between the School District and CSEA, and in accordance with the terms of the Release and Settlement Agreement between the parties; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED:** that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board President or her designee to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate said settlement which has been reviewed by the Board of Education.

##### **#BE-2**

**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the Memorandum of Understanding, "MOU" with the Long Island School Practitioner Action Network ("LI-SPAN"), for the 2015-2016 school year, and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools and the Board of Education President to sign said MOU. LI-SPAN is a voluntary organization, of school-based mental health and other crisis team members, whose mission is to lend a helping hand to member school districts during the time of a building or regional school crisis.

**PERSONNEL**

#PE-1

**RESOLVED:** that the following schedules, as attached, are approved:

- 15-A-2 Board of Education
- 15-P-7 Professional Personnel
- 15-C-7 Civil Service Personnel

**SCHEDULE 15-A-2, BOARD OF EDUCATION SCHEDULE**

**WEST BABYLON UFSD**

**V. Appointment of Physicians:**

7/1/15 - 6/30/16

**Medical Coverage for Home Football Games:** -\$0.-

David Weissberg, M.D. Orthopedic Solutions  
 Thomas Heinsich, P.A. "  
 Keith Denis, P.A. " [alternate]

**SCHEDULE 15-P-7 Professional Personnel Schedule**

NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/ AREA	STEP/ SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	COMMENTS
Schimmel, Alicia	Teaching Assistant	HS		9/17/15 -	Family Medical Leave
Hirsch, Malcolm	Foreign Language Tchr.	JH		10/13/15 -	Family Medical Leave
Cancellieri-Wolaver, Laura	Social Studies Tchr.	HS		10/16/15 -	Family Medical Leave
Gagliardo, Christina	PT/ESL Tchr. (.8)	JK/FA/SA	Step A-1-1/ \$48,759. (prorate @ 80%)	10/8/15 - 6/30/16	[certs: ESL, Ch. Ed. 1-6, SWD B-2 & 1-6]
Mills, Susan	Regular Substitute/ Special Ed. Tchr.	JH	Step A-5-1/ \$58,511. (prorate)	10/28/15-end of the first semester, or sooner at district's discretion	[cert:SWD(5-9)Generalist, SWD(1-6),Generalist(5-9)]

**Additional Stipend for Math Coverage:**

NAME	AMOUNT	PERIODS
Campbell, Lindsey	\$427.50	[7 periods]
Doyno, Ian	\$1,772.96	[18 periods]
Kunzig, Christopher	\$659.25	[8 periods]
Owenburg, Kristina	\$3,485.37	[35 periods]
Quinn, Melissa	\$1,280.47	[13 periods]
Shinners, Walter	\$1,969.96	[20 periods]
Spitzer, Andrew	\$1,557.93	[15 periods]
Valensisi, Valerie	\$3,276.78	[30 periods]

**Club & Advisors:**

NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/ AREA	AMOUNT	PERIODS	COMMENTS
Brower-Cohen, Christine	Technology	JH	\$1,476. (prorate)	9/1/15-10/27/15	
DiPreta, Jillian	Technology		\$738.	10/28/15-6/30/16	[repl. C. Brower-Cohen]
Kronenbitter, Linda	"		\$738.	10/28/18-6/30/16	[repl. C. Brower-Cohen]

**Johns Hopkins S.A.T. Tutorials:**

NAME	AMOUNT	PERIODS
Heaton, Elise	\$37.14/session	[6 sessions]
Kohler, Amy		[6 sessions]

**SCHEDULE 15-P-7 Professional Personnel Schedule**

NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/ AREA	STEP/ SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	COMMENTS
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**Nursing Coverage for Before/After School Programs:** 2015-2016

Autera, Jennifer			\$95.54/hr.		
Clark, Julia			\$75.38/hr.		
LaMantia, Joanne			\$36.37/hr.		
Lentricchia, Janet			\$42.77/hr.		
Raimondi, Theresa			\$42.23/hr.		
Senzamici, Donna			\$42.23/hr.		

**Student Teachers/Observers/Interns:** 2015 - 2016

Zona, Daniel	Elementary	SB		Fall	
*Mule, Toni-Anne	Social Worker	HS		Fall & Spring	

The hourly rate for per diem substitute teachers will increase to \$110./day effective 10/28/15.

**Per Diem Substitutes:** DW \$110./day 2015 - 2016

Goldman, Lee					[certs: Math 7-12]
Squicciarini, Patricia					[cert: N-6, Special Ed. ]

**Registered Nurse Substitutes:** DW \$120./day 2015 - 2016

- \*Gottlieb, Danielle
- \*Palina, Janet

\*Emergency Conditional Appointment

**SCHEDULE 15-C-7 Civil Service Personnel Schedule**

NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/ AREA	STEP/ SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	COMMENTS
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McNeil, Kelly	Clerk Typist	TA		9/1/15 -	Family Medical Leave
LaRocca, Linda	Sr. Clerk Typist	HS		9/30/15-	Family Medical Leave
Bianco, Jonathan	Custodial Wrkr.I	HS	Step 3/ \$41,884. (prorate)	5/13/15	Prior Service Credit [experience verified]
Dantonio, Mario	School Bus Driver	Trans.	Step 1/ \$20.13/hr.	10/19/15	Probationary Appt. [date change]
*Brown, Maureen	Paraprofessional (school monitor)	TA	Step 1/ \$13.64/hr.	10/28/15	Probationary Appt.

**Per Diem Substitutes:** DW \$16.75/hr. 2015-2016

- \*Giuliano, Richard
- \*Marsillo, Louis

\*Emergency Conditional Appointment

**FINANCE**

**#FI-1**

**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education adopts the 2016-2017 budget calendar.

**#FI-2**

**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education, retroactively, approves the following budget transfer:

<i>ACCOUNT CODE</i>	<i>ACCOUNT CODE DESCRIPTION &amp; TRANSFER EXPLANATION</i>	<i>FROM</i>	<i>TO</i>
A9062.8000	Medicare Reimbursement	\$25,000.00	
A9045.8000	Life Insurance		\$25,000.00
	Payment of life insurance premiums		

**CURRICULUM**

**#CU-1**

**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education declares the 32 Junior High School library books and 131 VHS tapes, on the attached list, obsolete.

**#CU-2**

**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education declares the following social studies textbooks, located in the Senior High School, obsolete:

<u>Title</u>	<u>ISBN #</u>	<u>Copyright</u>	<u>Number of Copies</u>
"The Western Heritage" 7 <sup>th</sup> Edition	0-13-027719-3	2001	67
"The American Pageant" 8 <sup>th</sup> Edition	0-669-10810-3	1987	45
"American Government" 11 <sup>th</sup> Edition	0-395-85763-5	1998	37

**#CU-3**

**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education declares the following textbooks and equipment, located in the Senior High School L.O.T.E Department, obsolete:

**Textbooks:**

<u>Title</u>	<u>Publisher/Copyright</u>	<u>ISBN #</u>	<u>of Copies</u>
"Golosa A Basic Course in Russian" Book 1 Second Edition	Prentice Hall , 1998	013-895038-5	16
"Golosa A Basic Course in Russian" Book 2 Second Edition	Prentice Hall , 1998	013-895038-5	17
"Russian Faces and Voices"	American Council of Teachers of Russian, 1995	0-7872-0504-4	7
"Russian Face to Face" Level 1 (Red)	National Textbook Company 1996	0-8442-4300-0	16
"Buen Viaje" Level 1 (Red)	Glencoe McGraw Hill, 2005	978-007846570-2	203
"Buen Viaje" Level 2 (Green)	Glencoe McGraw Hill, 2003	978-007829180-7	183
"When in Russia"	McGraw Hill, 1996	0-07-038917-9	13

**Textbooks:**

<u>Title</u>	<u>Publisher/Copyright</u>	<u>ISBN #</u>	<u>of Copies</u>
"Communicating in French"	McGraw-Hill, 1991	0-07-056646-1	20
Buen Viaje Student Works Plus Textbook CD"	Glencoe McGraw Hill	0-07-868622-9	200

<u>Item</u>	<u>Serial Number</u>	<u>Number of Items</u>
Panasonic Slim Line Tape Recorders	WN7GE006102	12
	WN7GE006113	
	WW8JC44254	
	WJ1JC001563	
	WN7GE006793	
	WQ8JC44274	
	WJ1JC003923	
	WJ1JC001372	
	WN7GE006099	
	WQ8JC44268	
	WJ1IC011347	
	WQ8JC44266	
Califone Tape Recorder	CE1685	1
Sony Tape Recorder Model #TCM-929	163984	1

**#CU-4**

**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education declares the following equipment, located in the Senior High School, obsolete:

Ten (10) ETC Multipar Lighting Fixtures

Ten (10) Webtron CXI Color Scrolling Devices

**POLICY:**

Trustee Kranz seconded by Trustee Wandasiewicz made a motion to delete the following policy

The motion was **CARRIED** by all present

**3210-E4 - Director of Language Arts and Testing (Deletion)**

The following policies were on for review - the trustees have reviewed the policies and they remain unchanged

**4311.1 - Display of the Flag - (Review)**

**4311.1-R Display of the Flag - Regulations (Review)**

**OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS:**

**Statement of Residents:**

Resident Lisa DiGeloromo asked who would be responsible for paying for the surveys for the concession stand and who would be paying the sewer tax. Dr. Farrelly said that they will look into who would be paying for the sewer tax. Mrs. DiGeloromo said she believes the district should secure funds and get their ducks in a row before moving forward.

Resident Jay Magraw suggested that all of the plans for the JHS be reviewed to determine the general location of the sewer pipes before bringing in a surveyor.

Trustee Gismervik seconded by Trustee Wandasiewicz made a motion to adjourn at 8:37 p.m.

The motion was **CARRIED** by all present