

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, December 13, 2011, in the Board room of the Administration Building adjacent to the High School.

Those present:

Trustees James F. Bocca, Wendy DeGaetano, Patrick Farrell, Carmine Galletta, Cathy Gismervik, Kathleen Jennings, Peter Scarlatos and Diane Thiel.

Trustee Diane Klein was absent

Also present: Mr. Anthony Cacciola, Superintendent of Schools; Dr. Dominick Palma, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Student Services; Mrs. Yiendhy Farrelly, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Mrs. Jennifer Buscemi, Executive Director for Finance and Operations; Mrs. Amy E. Jones, District Clerk; Mr. David Desmond, Attorney; and residents.

The President opened the meeting at 7:00 pm and led those present in the Pledge to the Flag.

Trustee Bocca seconded by Trustee Galletta made a motion to executive session for personnel and legal matters at 7:01 p.m.

The motion was **CARRIED** by all present

The public portion reconvened at 8:07 p.m.

Trustee Gismervik seconded by Trustee Scarlatos made a motion to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 21, 2011 and the Special meeting of November 29, 2011.

The motion was **CARRIED** by all present

Statement of the Superintendent and/or Board of Education:

Board President Patrick Farrell called for a moment of silence in remembrance of a West Babylon resident, Police Officer Peter Figoski, who was shot and killed in the line of duty this morning.

Superintendent Anthony Cacciola said that he would like to address date changes for the February 14 meeting to February 13 and the January 17 special meeting to January 31. The trustees agreed to the changes.

He would also like to discuss the possible vote about transportation limits. He said that based on conversations with Mr. Bianco, he would not recommend a vote to change limits.

Mr. Cacciola would like the Board to endorse a study to review whether or not the district should or would close a building in the future. He added that the study would take at least a full year. Regarding field trips, Mr. Cacciola said that he met with the Superintendent's management team, which includes administrators and principals, and the recommendation is to stay with the current field trip format. The principals are exploring various ways to supplement the trips in house.

Mr. Cacciola wished everyone a happy holiday season.

Statement of West Babylon Teachers Association:

Vice President Thomas Leonbruno wished everyone a safe and happy holiday season.

Statement of West Babylon Administrators' Association: None

Statement of CSEA Representative: None

Statement of Student Association Representative: None

Statement of PTA Council Representative:

PTA Council Vice President wished everyone a happy and healthy holiday season.

Statement of Residents: None

Superintendent's Report/Educational Presentation:

Nine Period Day Presentation — Mr. Scott Payne, JHS Principal; Mrs. Jennifer Carere, Assistant Principal; Department Chairpeople and Committee Members — Donna McGrath, Hans Haugen, Patty Acocella, Michael Mack, Liz Garland, Bill Doran, Danielle Richert, Kevin Delaney, Rose Lyn Cipparulo, Julie Powers, Bob Neville, Jen Niles, Diane Carrozzo, Eileen Moran, Chuck Benvenuto, Therese Coleman, Kathleen Gibbs, Lorraine Zemba, James Lauritsen, and Brad Cammarano

The JHS team shared an extensive and informative PowerPoint presentation regarding the positive impact the nine period day has had on the students. They also explained that the nine period day enables the students to have a lunch period as well as allowing many students to take an elective class. Each teacher explained the impact the extra period has had to the students in their department. Mr. Payne said that the process has been long, but he

is proud that the program is going well and they are “getting it right”. In response to Mr. Cacciola’s question, Mr. Payne said that he believed only two additional staff members were needed to implement the program. Mr. Cacciola thanked everyone for a wonderful presentation. Trustee DeGaetano shared a concern about how many times in a week some students are receiving instruction. Mr. Payne explained that due to budgetary constraints there aren’t as many math teachers as in the past. In response to Trustee Thiel’s question, Mr. Haugen said that he would like to see more interdisciplinary instruction and have ELA infiltrate other courses to increase scores on the exam. In addition, he said that the ELA exams are scored differently than other exams. Mrs. Moran added that the cut-off is 85 for ELA and 75 for math.

There was a five minute break.

Use of Facilities Policy and SchoolDude

Mr. Raymond Graziano, Plant Facilities Administrator

Mr. Anthony Spinelli, Director of Health, Physical Education & Athletics

Mr. Graziano and Mr. Spinelli explained that at one time all requests for use of facilities were processed through the buildings and grounds department. Now, the athletics department and buildings and grounds department work together to coordinate the use of the facilities. Mr. Graziano said that the district organizes just under 5000 facilities usage. There was an explanation offered about how much the district would receive if all groups were charged for use of facilities. Mr. Graziano said that 95% of the groups using the facilities are not charged. However, there are bookings totaling approximately \$130,000 for usage of the Performing Arts Center this spring. Mr. Cacciola also shared parts of the facilities policy and suggested changes to obsolete sections. Mr. Graziano noted that the facilities calendar is now on the website. In response to trustee questions, Mr. Graziano said that the system flags groups when their insurance is expiring; some baseball teams are interconnected; and the district has never had a total default for use of the PAC. Trustee DeGaetano suggested using a portion of the fees collected to maintain the PAC and keep the technology up to date.

Trustee Scarlatos seconded by Trustee Thiel made a motion to approve the **Consent Agenda with replacement page 2 of the personnel schedule.**

The motion was **CARRIED** by all present

BOARD OF EDUCATION

#BE-1

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following school district to provide health services to West Babylon School District resident students for the 2011-2012 school year:

Deer Park Union Free School District

#BE-2

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following school district to provide special education and related services to handicapped West Babylon School District resident students for the 2011-2012 school year:

West Islip Union Free School District

#BE-3

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following school district to provide health services to West Babylon School District resident students for the 2011-2012 school year:

Babylon Union Free School District

#BE-4

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following agency to provide tutoring services, at a cost of \$45 per hour, to West Babylon School District resident students for the 2011-2012 school year:

St. James Tutoring, Inc.

#BE-5

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following agency to provide special education and related services to a pre-school West Babylon School District resident student for the 2011-2012 school year:

Cleary School for the Deaf

#BE-6

RESOLVED: that the following Junior High School club is approved for the 2011-2012 school year:

JHS School Club	Advisor	Student President	Student Treasurer/Secretary
Drama	Ms. Deborah Plezia	Paige Leddy	Michael McAlvin

#BE-7

RESOLVED: that the following Senior High School clubs are approved for the 2011-2012 school year:

SHS CLUB	ADVISOR	STUDENT PRESIDENT	STUDENT TREASURER/SECRETARY
Art	P. Bryan	Jennifer Cummings	Matthew Pica
Bands (concert & symphonic)	D. Meadows	Luke Baranek	Nicole Avitabile
Boys Track	F. Ging	Brendan Kennedy	Cory Maiale
Broadcasters	J. Barone	Liz Tellez	Tyler Smalling
Catering	D. Bellemare	Katie Freeze	Justin Fitzpatrick
Chess	S. Dombo	Pawel Stanczyk	Dominic Bongiorno
Class of 2012	M. Zinna	Paige O'Connor Rachel Mercorella	Justin Fitzpatrick
Class of 2013	S. Snyder	Casey Walsh	Brianna Scotto
Class of 2014	P. Armato	John Hernandez	Sabrina Pulizzi
Class of 2015	H. Korchma	Jessica Porto	Michael Leoni
Concert Choir	M. Cafiero	Joey Doukas Dana Krogman	Tyler Smalling Brian Phillips
DECA	C. Kilgus	Kathryn Geraghty	Andrew Plinto
Drama	J. Carson	Lexie David	Zach Russo
Forensics	R. Perraza	Drew Tatzel Mike Leonard	Alexa Jones

SHS CLUB	ADVISOR	STUDENT PRESIDENT	STUDENT TREASURER/SECRETARY
Girls Basketball	K. Dorsey	Christina Esposito	Kendra Shuler
Girls Bowling	G. Antonelli	Heather Savino	Courtney Dobshinsky
Girls Soccer	G. Axelson	Christina Esposito	Samantha Smith
Girls Softball	N. Torres	Nikki Wilkinson	Heather Hansen
Girls Varsity Volleyball	E. Rymer	Paige O'Connor	Courtney Pomerico
Gay/Straight Alliance	T. Prizzi	Elizabeth Marceau	Michael Esposito

Leo Club	J. Lemmo	Ayse Billi	Samantha Bifulco
Musical	J. Barone	Gabby Viera	Tyler Smalling
Jazz Choir/ Glee Club	B. Heaton	Derek Daffara	Kristi Melfi
International Club	M. Fealey	Joey-Marie Najdek	Juhi Gurtata
Kickline	N. Torres	Vicky Meraglia	Meredith Louis
Leaders	G. Hearn	Mario Cuzzi	Caroline Wittschen
Math Club	C. Montalvo	Maulik Patel	Nick Muesch
Mock Trial	C. Jonasson	Raymond Schein	Andrew Kiss
Nat'l. Business Honor Society	K. Reilly- Johnson	Christopher Roberto	Tyler Hartman
National Honor Society	S. Selvaggi	Derek Daffara	Kelly Watt
Orchestra	B. Liedel	Paige O'Connor	Andrew Bedeferano
Quiz Bowl	K. Malone	James Joseph	Brian Phillips James Noeker
Robotics	G. Desimone	Anthony Tucker	Ron Boloson
SADD	D. Meadows	Tyler Smalling	Shannon Clancy Stephanie Manning
Science Olympiad	A. Montalvo	Rami Abbady	Wasiq Ahamad
SCOPE	G. Hearn	Christopher Roberto	Sam Smith
SEA	A. Llobel	Meghan Ossman	Amanda Ziegler
Student Association	D. McGrath	Ashley Marinello	James McNally
Talon Newspaper	C. Ludwig	Jennifer Cummings	Lexi David
Tri-M Society	B. Kelly	Derek Daffara	Mark Carr
Varsity Club	G. Antonelli	Heather Savino	Courtney Dobshinky
Varsity Cheerleading	N. DiSalvo	Sydney Davino	Amanda Hennessey
Varsity Field Hockey	A. Montalvo	Heather Savino	Rachel Mercorella
Yearbook	C. Iaquinto	Paige O'Connor	Allison Lazzaro
Girls Varsity Cross Country	M. Zinna	tba	tba

#BE-8

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following consultant to provide professional services to the West Babylon School District:

Randall Solomon, M.D.

PERSONELL**#PE-1**

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

11-P-11 Professional Personnel

11-C-11 Civil Service Personnel

SCHEDULE 11-P-11 Professional Personnel Schedule

NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/ AREA	STEP/ SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	COMMENTS
Dorsey, Katie	Phys. Ed./Health Tchr.	HS		11/23/11 -	Family Medical Leave
Scott, Matthew	Music Tchr.	JK/TA/SA		11/29/11 -	Family Medical Leave
Mercardante, Nicole	Elementary Tchr.	JK		11/30/11 -	Family Medical Leave

Additional Section:

Jensen, Robin	Family/Consumer Science (.2)	JH	\$14,446.40 (prorate)	Second Semester, 2011-2012	Date/Stipend change
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S.A.T. Proctors:

Borgo, Danielle			\$21.97/hr.	12/3/11	6 hrs.
Connors, Lucia					6 hrs.
Galvin, Donna					6 hrs.
Heaton, Bryan					6 hrs.
Heaton, Elise					6 hrs.
Iaquinto, Christine					6 hrs.
McArdle, Patrick					6 hrs.
Mendoza, Aimee					6 hrs.
Rogovitz, Eugene					6 hrs.
Ruiz, Lawrence					6 hrs.
Shelor, Lisa					6 hrs.
Amaya-Valasquez, Idalia					6 hrs.
Simone, Linda					7 hrs.
Montalvo, Andrea					9 hrs.
Montalvo, Christina	Test Coordinator				9 hrs.

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Coaches:

Delaney, Kevin	JV Head	Baseball	\$5,074.	Spring, 2012
Enriquez, Jonathan	JHS Head	Baseball	\$4,077.	
Kunzig, Christopher	Varsity Asst.	Lacrosse(B)	\$5,074.	
Royle, Daniel	JV Head	Lacrosse(B)	\$5,074.	
Kern, James	JV Asst.	Lacrosse(B)	\$4,077.	
Hartranft, Greg	JHS Head	Lacrosse(B)	\$4,337.	
Horstmann, Thomas	JHS Asst.	Lacrosse(B)	\$4,077.	
TBA	Varsity Asst.	Lacrosse(G)	\$5,074.	
Kastner, Kristen	JV Head	Lacrosse(G)	\$5,074.	
Rogovitz, Eugene	JV Asst.	Lacrosse(G)	\$4,077.	
Burkhard, Elizabeth	JHS Head	Lacrosse(G)	\$4,337.	
Kane, Drew	JHS Asst.	Lacrosse(G)	\$4,077.	
Morra, Jessica	JV Head	Softball	\$5,074.	
Terysen, Holly	JHS Head	Softball	\$4,077.	
DeRuvo, Andrew	JV Head	Tennis(B)	\$4,077.	
Schrank, John	JHS Head	Tennis(B)	\$4,077.	
Snyder, John	JHS Head	Track & Field(B)	\$4,337.	
Armato, Philip	JHS Head	Track & Field(G)	\$4,337.	

Student Teacher/Observer:

Vogelsang, Elizabeth	Physical Education	HS		Fall, 2011
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SCHEDULE 11-P-11 Professional Personnel Schedule

NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/ AREA	STEP/ SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	COMMENTS
Student Teachers/Observers:				Spring, 2012	
Abatte, Maria	Special Ed./English	HS			
Baez, Rosalis	Foreign Language	HS			
Cavanagh, Jessica	Elementary	JK			
Cervini, Megan	Elementary	JK			
Student Teachers/Observers:				Spring, 2012	
Clark, Courtney	Social Studies	HS			
Congiusta, Robert	Social Studies	JH			
Corrado, Joseph	Social Studies	HS/JH			
Darby, Danielle	Special Education	SA/TA			
D'Esposito, Angela	Special Education	TA/SA			
Gorman, Diana	Special Education	SA/TA			
Guevara, Nicole	Special Education	TA/SA			
Keil, Stephanie	Social Studies	HS			
Leonbruno, Heather	Art	SB/HS			
Melzer, Kasey	Mathematics	JH			
Monteleone, Nicole	Science	HS			
Mottola, Bryan	Mathematics	HS			
Notaro, Trisha	Mathematics	HS			
Quinn, Kevin	Social Studies	JH/HS			
Saladino, Jennifer	Mathematics	HS			
Sandie, Dana	Mathematics	HS			
Santodonato, Francesco	Physical Education	JK			
Schiavetta, Kaylie	Physical Education	TA/JH			
Schilling, Michelle	Elementary	SA			
Skene, Danielle	Physical Education	JH/HS			
Smyth, Casey	Science	JH/HS			
Vogelsang, Elizabeth	Physical Education	JH			
Weaver, Jayme	Mathematics	JH/HS			
Weisenseel, Kelly	Mathematics	HS			
Psychology Intern:				Spring, 2012	
*Gelfand, Jessica	Psychology	TA			
Guidance Interns:				Spring, 2012	
*Albert, Kristin	Guidance	HS			
*Macchio, Nicholas	Guidance	HS			
Per Diem Substitute: DW		\$90./day	2011-2012		
Burkhard, Elizabeth					

*Emergency Conditional Appointment

SCHEDULE 11-C-11 Civil Service Personnel Schedule

NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/ AREA	STEP/ SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	COMMENTS
Rodriguez, Miriam	School Bus Driver	Trans.		10/31/11 -	Family Medical Leave
Delia, Frank	Head Custodian	SA		11/14/11 -	Family Medical Leave
Pugliese, Camille	School Bus Driver	Trans.		11/14//11 -	Family Medical Leave
LoFaso, Lucy	School Bus Monitor	Trans.		1/3/12 – 6/30/12	Leave of Absence
Dobie, Cathy	Paraprofessional (special ed. aide)	HS		12/8/11	Resignation from LOA
Palminteri, Senior Clerk Typist Mary Ann		SB		2/4/12	Resignation to Retire
<u>Per Diem Substitutes:</u>		DW	\$9./hr.	2011-2012	
*Minghillo, Christine					Clerical/Paraprofessional
“ “					Food Service
*Kors, Chun Cha					“ “
Palminteri, Mary Ann					Clerical

* Emergency Conditional Appointment

FINANCE

#FI-1

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education gratefully accepts a donation, in the amount of \$250.00, from the College Board. The donation will be deposited into the Senior High School’s Trust and Agency account.

#FI-2

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education gratefully accepts a donation, in the amount of \$35.08, from the Ohiopyle Print Company. The donation will be deposited into the Senior High School’s Trust and Agency account.

#FI-3

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education gratefully accepts a donation, in the amount of \$9.78, from “GoodSearch”. The donation will be deposited into Santapogue Elementary School’s Trust and Agency account.

#FI-4

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education gratefully accepts seven Michaels Stores’ gift cards in the amount of \$200 each. As part of Michaels Stores, Inc.’s agreement/settlement with the New York State Attorney General’s Office, the retailer has agreed to provide gift cards to New York State public schools located within 50 miles of a Michaels store. The gift cards will be used to purchase instructional arts, crafts and school supplies.

#FI-5

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following budget appropriation transfer:

ACCOUNT CODE	ACCOUNT CODE DESCRIPTION & TRANSFER EXPLANATION	FROM	TO
A5540.4000	Contract Transportation	\$ 70,000.00	
A5510.5710	Gasoline Vehicle Fuel Purchases		\$70,000.00

#FI-6

RESOLVED: that the Obsolete Equipment Bid #OB-158-11, as attached, for equipment and books declared obsolete at the Board of Education meetings listed below, be awarded to Mr. Steven Zanazzi, Trade Rewards, as he was the only responsible bidder:

Board of Education Meetings held on June 28, 2011, July 12, 2011, July 26, 2011, August 9, 2011, September 27, 2011, October 25, 2011 and November 7, 2011.

CURRICULUM**#CU-1**

RESOLVED: that the textbook titled, "Criminal Justice Today: An Introductory Text for the 21st Century", by Frank Schmallegger, published by Pearson, Prentice Hall, copyright 2011, is adopted, by the West Babylon Board of Education, for use in the criminal justice course, for grades 11-12, effective September, 2012.

#CU-2

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education authorizes the district to establish a formal agreement with St. John's University College Advantage Program. This agreement allows West Babylon students enrolled in our "Spanish 5H" and "French 5H" courses to receive college credit for the successful completion of this course work. Parents of students interested in receiving this college credit will be responsible for payment to St. John's University of an application fee and \$250 per course.

#CU-3

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education authorizes the district to establish a formal agreement with the Foreign Language Association of Chairpersons and Supervisors Consortium to be our Regents Examination "equivalent" to replace the examination not being provided by the New York State Education Department. This examination will represent one fifth of a student's grade in French III, Italian III, and Spanish III.

FACILITIES**#FA-1**

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education gratefully accepts the donation of a Selman soprano saxophone (Model SB1120), from Mr. Anthony Cacciola, Superintendent of Schools, to the Junior High School Music Department.

#FA-2

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education declares the following equipment, located at the Junior High School obsolete:

Item	ISBN	Location
TV	WB 001062	Prep Room between 227-228
Laser Disc Player	WB 001060	Prep Room between 227- 228
TV	WB 001309	Prep Room between 229-230
Mideo Overhead Projection Screen	WB 001308	Prep Room between 229-230
Laser Discs Earth Science Vol. 1	6003-2	Room 118
Laser Discs Earth Science Vol. 2	6007-2	Room 118
Laser Discs Earth Science Vol. 3	6008-2	Room 118
Laser Discs Earth Science	6018	Room 118
Laser Discs Physical Science Vol. 1	6006-2	Room 118

Laser Discs Physical Science Vol. 2	6007-2	Room 118
Laser Discs Physical Science Vol. 3	6008-2	Room 118
Laser Discs Physical Science	6016	Room 118
Laser Discs Physical Science	6008	Room 118
Laser Discs Life Science	6011	Room 118
Laser Discs Life Science	6009	Room 118
Laser Discs Life Science	6012	Room 118
Laser Discs Life Science	6013	Room 118
Laser Discs Life Science	6016	Room 118
Hard Drive	20771058	Room 228
Hard Drive	20771059	Room 228
Hard Drive	20771060	Room 228
Hard Drive	20771061	Room 228
Monitor	59320	Room 228
TV	WB 001314	Room 228

The equipment is outdated and no longer functioning.

POLICY As a follow up to concerns about File 310, Trustee Thiel said that she contacted NYSSBA and learned that NYSSBA currently offers hundreds of districts statewide some form of assistance with Board self evaluation using National School Boards best practice format. She reminded everyone that the evaluation is not about individual Board members; it is about the Board as a whole. Trustee Bocca said that he is still opposed to adopting policy 310.

Trustee Thiel seconded by trustee Scarlatos made a motion to adopt policy items a through ii.

Yes: DeGaetano, Farrell, Galletta, Gismervik, Jennings, Scarlatos and Thiel

No: Bocca

The motion was **CARRIED**

- a) Board Review - Facilities Development Goals (Third Time Adoption) (File:7000)
- b) Board Review - Construction Safety (Third Time Adoption) (File:7365)
- c) Board Review - Construction Safety Exhibit (Third Time Adoption) (File:7365-E)
- d) Board Review - Accident Prevention and Safety Procedures (Third Time Adoption) (File:8120)
- e) Board Review - School Safety Plans and Teams (Third Time Adoption) (File:8130)
- f) Board Review - Use of Cell Phones (Third Time Adoption) (File:8332)
- g) Board Review - Use of Credit Cards (Third Time Adoption) (File:8334)
- h) Board Review - Computer Resources and Data Management (Third Time Adoption) (File:8630)
- i) Board Review - Computer Resources and Data Management Regulation (Third Time Adoption) (File:8630-R)
- j) Board Review - Information Security Breach (Third Time Adoption) (File:8635)
- k) Board Review - Information Security Breach Regulation (Third Time Adoption) (File:8635-R)
- l) Board Review - Personnel Goals (Third Time Adoption) (File:9000)
- m) Board Review - Conflict of Interest (Third Time Adoption) (File:9120.1)
- n) Board Review - Meals and Refreshments (Third Time Adoption) (File:9170)
- o) Board Review - Probation and Tenure (Third Time Adoption) (File:9265)
- p) Board Review - Drug Free Workplace (Third Time Adoption) (File:9320)
- q) Board Review - Drug Free Workplace Regulation (Third Time Adoption) (File:9320-R)
- r) Board Review - Compensation and Benefits Regulation (Third Time Adoption) (File:9500-R)
- s) Board Review - Child Abuse in an Educational Setting (Third Time Adoption) (File:9620)
- t) Board Review - Child Abuse in an Educational Setting Exhibit/Definitions (Third Time Adoption) (File:9620-E.1)
- u) Board Review - Child Abuse in an Educational Setting Exhibit/Reporting Requirements (Third Time Adoption) (File:9620-E.2)
- v) Board Review - Disclosure of Wrongful Conduct (Third Time Adoption) (File:9645)
- w) Board Review - Staff Development (Third Time Adoption) (File:9700)

- x) Board Review - Accountability (Third Time Adoption) (File:0300)
- y) Board Review - Board Self Evaluation (Third Time Adoption) (File:0310)
- z) Board Review - Board Operational Goals (Third Time Adoption) (File:2000)
- aa) Board Review - School Board Legal Status (Third Time Adoption) (File:2100)
- bb) Board Review - Board Member Qualifications (Third Time Adoption) (File:2121)
- cc) Board Review - Broadcasting and Taping of Board Meetings (Third Time Adoption) (File:2382)
- dd) Board Review - Goals and Objectives for Administration (Third Time Adoption) (File:3000)
- ee) Board Review - Student Health Services (Third Time Adoption) (File:5420)
- ff) Board Review - Student Health Services Regulation (Third Time Adoption) (File:5420-R)
- gg) Board Review - Allergy/Anaphylaxis (Third Time Adoption) (File:5420.1)
- hh) Board Review - Allergy/Anaphylaxis Regulation (Third Time Adoption) (File:5420.1-R)
- ii) Board Review - Allergy Policy Exhibit (Third Time Adoption) (File:5420.1-E)

The aforementioned policies are available in hard copy in the District Clerk's office or on the district website.

COMMITTEES:

Trustee Thiel noted that the December community engagement meeting was postponed due to several conflicts and requests. She said that it has been rescheduled to January 26, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the high school because the building is open that night. In addition, the West Babylon Library will be hosting a meeting on March 10th at 9:00 p.m.

None

STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE:

OLD/NEW BUSINESS:

Mr. Cacciola said that it is a bit premature to ask the trustees to set a target tax rate. He said the first draft of the budget will go to the Board the first week in January.

Mr. Cacciola attended a meeting with Mr. Farrell, Mrs. Buscemi and 18 component districts regarding the challenging year ahead. He said there was some good news; the MTA tax has been rescinded which translates to approximately \$187,000 for West Babylon. In addition, the employee health insurance increase anticipated to be approximately 10% will be much lower than originally projected at 2.7% for single and 3.8% for family. Mr. Farrell added that most school districts are closing schools and approximately 1700 school staff members lost their jobs. He added that all districts are going through a difficult time.

Mr. Cacciola said that he will be hosting a meeting with Dr. Palma, Mrs. Farrelly, Mrs. Buscemi, and the Superintendents of Babylon, Deer Park and North Babylon to see if there are ways for the districts to work cooperatively through the upcoming challenges.

Trustee Farrell seconded by Trustee Bocca made a motion to keep the transportation limits the same and to not hold a vote regarding the matter.

The motion was **CARRIED** by all present

The trustees unanimously endorsed Mr. Cacciola's request for a demographic study which would take a year or more to complete. Mr. Cacciola said that he will see how much would need to be budgeted and the impact of redistricting, which building to consider closing, etc.. He said it is never easy to consider closing a building, adding that it is a very emotional and difficult decision.

STATEMENT OF RESIDENTS

In response to resident Lucy Campasano's question, Mr. Cacciola said that he is not prepared to answer whether the district will be looking to the Princeton model in determining the impact of closing a building. However, the district will be looking into every possibility.

Residents Joseph Romano and Lucy Campasano spoke about the damage that would be done to various organizations if the Board were to charge for the use of facilities. They added that it would be very difficult for the district to pass a budget if these teams were charged to use the facilities.

Mr. Farrell said the Board is not looking to change the current method of charging for facilities.

Resident Campasano asked for clarification about whether the 90% rule applies to the host team, or all teams playing.

Trustee Gismervik seconded by Trustee Jennings made a motion to adjourn at 10:52 p.m.

The motion was **CARRIED** by all present

Attested to: _____

District Clerk