MINUTES OF THE MARCH 20, 2018 BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING  
(rescheduled from March 13, 2018)

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 20, 2018 (rescheduled from March 13, 2018). The meeting opened in the Board Room of the Administration Building. The Public Session was held in the Senior High School Performing Arts Center ("PAC").

Board of Education Members present
Trustees: Lucy Campasano, Peter Scarlatos, Raymond Downey, John Evola, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Longo, and Jennifer Wandasiewicz. Trustee Dennis Kranz was absent.

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

1. OPENING OF MEETING & EXECUTIVE SESSION

Procedural: A. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag Meeting opened at 5:08 PM.

Procedural: B. Call to Order by Presiding Officer

Action: C. Executive Session

Motion to enter into executive session to discuss the employee individual contracts, CSEA and Paraprofessional contract negotiations and review of buildings safety procedures. Motion by Peter Scarlatos, second by Cathy Gismervik.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Yes: Lucy Campasano, Peter Scarlatos, Raymond Downey, John Evola, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Longo, Jennifer Wandasiewicz

2. PUBLIC SESSION- 7:10 PM

Action: A. Approval of Minutes of previous Meeting(s): Regular Meeting-February 13, 2018

Motion to Approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 13, 2018.
Motion by Diane Klein, second by Cathy Gismervik.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Yes: Lucy Campasano, Peter Scarlatos, Ray Downey, John Evola, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Longo, Jennifer Wandasiewicz

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

The week of March 5th through March 9th is school social worker’s recognition week. Dr. Farrelly, on behalf of herself, the Board of Education and the administration team, thanked the district social workers for going above and beyond for our students. On March 16th, the district held the staff K-12 full day conference. Dr. Farrelly thanked the team for planning the day’s professional development. During the week of March 19th, the SHS National Art Honor Society Induction Ceremony and the JHS National Junior Honor Society Induction Ceremony took place. Friday, March 23rd, the SHS Broadway "Cabaret" will start at 7:30 PM. Next week, on Monday, the 26th, students will be inducted into the SHS Foreign Language Honor Society and on the 28th into the SHS Math/Science Honor Society. Per Dr. Farrelly - Congratulations to all!!! The JHS musical "Mary Poppins" is scheduled for March 22nd and March 23rd. Due to the upcoming snowy weather forecast, the SHS Fashion Show will be rescheduled.

The SCOPE after school enrichment program will be approved during tonight’s Board of Education meeting. Dr. Farrelly thanked all the administrators involved in the establishment of this program. Mr. Payne will provide specific program details some time in the near future.

Mr. Raymond Graziano, Director of Facilities III, has been in contact with the Town of Babylon relating to snow removal on sidewalks leading up to our schools. The Town contact indicated that when a school district representative or a community member calls to lodge a complaint, the Town sends a notice or an inspector to the individual responsible for specific snow removal.

Dr. Farrelly invited all to review the most recent issue of the Superintendent’s "Points of Pride". Copies were provided on the table at the entrance to the PAC. She also invited all to use social media, twitter and Facebook as we use these to showcase and highlight student, staff and faculty accomplishments.
Procedural: C. Statement of West Babylon Teachers Association Representatives
Mr. Robert Dell'Isola, WBTA President, thanked Dr. Farrelly for the vast improvements in district-wide security. He said all staff and students are wearing their IDs and there has been an increase in the number of security guards. In addition, the buzz-in system and door check-ins are in place and there are now reduced points of entries in the buildings. Mr. Dell'Isola said the union would like to offer their help in any way.

Procedural: D. Statement of School Administrators Association Representatives
Mr. Stephen O'Leary, WBAA President, made the following statement: "On behalf of our building administrators, we appreciate, join and support the BOE and Superintendent's initiatives to improve the security in the District. We credit Dr. Farrelly for spearheading this, as safety and security are constant conversation topics among the administrators at all of our leadership and management meetings, and much change has occurred as a result of these efforts.

All of us have reflected after the tragic events that occurred in Florida last month. At the HS school, we had an opportunity to work with student leaders who provided a heartfelt memorial in memory of those who lost their lives in Parkland. At the JHS, students did the same, spreading messages of kindness and compassion throughout the building.

Truth be told, there is no topic that we discuss that is more important than the safety and security of children, and we look forward to helping, supporting and improving efforts at both the building and District levels. Although we acknowledge that no building is 100% safe, we do know we can have a 100% commitment to constantly improving safety and security which is something we all believe in and prioritize second to none."

Procedural: E. Statement of C.S.E.A. Representatives
Mrs. Donna Rocchio Delerme, CSEA Non-Instructional Unit President, made the following statement: "We are the custodians that provide a safe and well-kept home away from home for our children. We are the bus drivers, monitors and mechanics of our transportation department that safely move roughly 3300 of our 4000 + children daily. We are the food service workers that prepare and serve two nutritious meals a day to our children. We are the clericals that have the safety and security of each child in our hands. We are first in, last out.

I have been told you are passionate Madam President. I am here to tell you that we are passionate as well. There is nothing more important to us than the children because they are our children too. We don't just work for West Babylon. We are its residents, its alumni, its PTA moms and dads, its soccer coaches.

We have been in negotiations since January of 2017 and have moved through the process to mediation and finally to fact finding. As you review the fact finders recommendations, I ask that you remember this. We want nothing more than the ability to remain in the community where we have grown up, raised children and as civil servants give back to our home town. Thank you.

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]
Per Board President Lucy Campasano - this section of the agenda will be addressed at the end of the meeting under Item 15 B. This will provide sufficient time for residents to speak.

3. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AND/OR EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION

Information: A. 2018-2019 Budget Information: Dr. Yriendy Farrelly, Superintendent of Schools
Please take note of the 2018-2019 Budget Dates in this section of the agenda. On April 24th, the 2018-2019 WS BOCES Budget Vote and Trustee Election will take place. Our district Budget Hearing is scheduled for May 1st at 6:00 PM in the Board Room-Administration Building. The 2018-2019 West Babylon School District Budget Vote and Trustee Election will be held on May 15, 2018 from 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM. Our two voting sites are in the Administration Building and at Santapogue School. Budget Draft #2, which will include an overview of the district's expenditures and revenues, will be presented at the March 27th Board meeting. Dr. Farrelly shared that the district is not piecing the cap.

Presentation: B. Safety and Security in Our Schools Presentation: Dr. Yriendy Farrelly, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Farrelly opened the presentation by sharing that the issue of safety and security weighs heavily on all of us as school officials, but also as parents as well. She said the district takes safety and security very seriously and thanked all in attendance (including district-wide principals, assistant principals, faculty, staff and residents). The PowerPoint presentation was titled "West Babylon UFSD School Emergency Response Plan". Some highlights of the presentation included the following: several Board of Education Public Board meeting presentations regarding safety and security
have been held in the past and in October 2017, a safety and security community forum was held in the PAC. Building Emergency Response Plans and District-wide Emergency Response Plans are shared with the Suffolk County Police Department and the New York State Education Department. Specific procedures are in place to address minor and major medical emergencies; bomb threats; fire evacuation; evacuation/staff all call; shelter-in-place; hold-in-place; lockdown; and lockdown. Officer Osias, our SCPD School Resource Officer, and Mr. Edwin Salas, our Director of School Safety, participate in Emergency Drills to offer feedback. Four (4) lockdown drills and eight (8) fire drills are held throughout the school year. Parent/Student Reunification was addressed. It is suggested that parents be patient, wait for directions from school officials (via social media, phone, email & website) for parent/student reunification location. The location will likely NOT be your child’s school. Parents are reminded to always update emergency contact information and to be sure to have proper identification. School Messenger Notifications will be completed as soon as possible for the following events: lockdown, fire evacuation (not practice drills), bomb threat, and any other school emergency response as needed. It was also suggested for parents to sign-up for District Text Alerts. A hand-out informational flyer was available at the meeting and can also be found on our website. Our security guards, staff and faculty have participated in on-going safety and security training including Gang Awareness Seminars, SCPD and Homeland Security Active Shooter Seminar, CPR/First Aid/AED, NARCAN, and “Stop the Bleed” (provided by Stony Brook Trauma Center). The district is in partnership with the Suffolk County Police Department and our buildings are utilized by the SCPD for active shooter on site training. Infrastructure enhancements include increased number of interior/exterior cameras, district-wide Command Center, Door Ajar System, Reduced Point of Entries, Raptor ID Visitor System, Visitor Escort System and replacement of certain locks. Future enhancements include: one button lockdown system throughout the school, keypad entry for SCPD & WB Fire Department, double door vestibule system and SCPD Partnership-SHARE. The security budget at the end of last school year (2016-2017) was $509,122. The end of the presentation focused on addressing student mental health and a student’s sense of belonging. In closing, Dr. Farrelly recommended contacting Mr. Salas or administrators with concerns/suggestions relating to district safety/security. The SCPD should be contacted regarding social media or community concerns. Dr. Farrelly thanked all in attendance including Mr. Salas, Officer Osias, the Intralogic security firm representatives - Mr. Keith Smith and Mr. Bob Doyle and Ms. Karalisa Grundner from BBS Architects. The presentation will be posted to the district website.

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

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

**RESOLVED:** Motion to approve the consent agenda.

Motion by Peter Scarlatos, second by Cathy Gismervik.

**Final Resolution: Motion Carried**

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

5. BOARD OF EDUCATION

**Action (Consent): A. Notice of Annual Meeting**

**RESOLVED:** that the Annual Meeting of the West Babylon Union Free School District, Town of Babylon, Suffolk County, New York, shall be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, from 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM in the two designated election districts in said school district for the purposes set forth in the Notice of Annual Meeting;

**RESOLVED:** that the Notice of Annual Meeting be published four times during the seven weeks preceding and beginning 45 days prior to the meeting in the **Babylon Beacon** and **South Bay’s Neighbor Newspaper**, two newspapers having general circulation in the district.

**RESOLVED:** that Mr. Dennis Kranz is designated as permanent chairperson of election in accordance with Section 2026 of the Education Law.

**Action (Consent): B. Western Suffolk BOCES Board Nominations**

**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education hereby nominates Mr. Sydney Finkelstein and Mr. Salvatore Marinello, as candidates for re-election, to the Board of Western Suffolk BOCES.

**Action (Consent): C. Authorization to Sign Agreement**

**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education authorizes the Board of Education President to sign the agreement of an employee made known during executive session.

6. PERSONNEL - BOARD OF EDUCATION 17-A (N/A)

7. PERSONNEL - PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL 17-P-14

**Action (Consent): A. 2017-2018 Elementary Club & Advisors-SB**
RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

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<td>Patricia</td>
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<td>$521. (prorate)</td>
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<td>2/12/18-6/30/18[repl. P Stuart]</td>
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Action (Consent): B. Spring, 2017-2018 Coaching
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<td>Fitzpatrick</td>
<td>Justin</td>
<td>JV Head</td>
<td>Lacrosse(B)</td>
<td>$5,228.</td>
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<td>Farnworth</td>
<td>James</td>
<td>JV Head</td>
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<td>Svenelid</td>
<td>Daniel</td>
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<td>Fazio</td>
<td>MaryJo</td>
<td>Varsity Volunteer</td>
<td>Softball</td>
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Action (Consent): C. 2017-2018 Student Teacher/Observer/Intern
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<td>Losito, Jr.</td>
<td>Thomas</td>
<td>Mathematics</td>
<td>JH</td>
<td>Spring, 2017-2018</td>
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Action (Consent): D. 2017-2018 Per Diem Substitute Teachers
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<td>Per Diem Substitute Teachers:</td>
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<td>$125./day</td>
<td>2017-2018</td>
<td>[max. work 40 days]</td>
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<td>Sekulski</td>
<td>Jennifer</td>
<td></td>
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<td>[cert: pending SWD 1-6]</td>
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<td>Romeo</td>
<td>Kirsten</td>
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<td>[cert: Visual Arts]</td>
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8. PERSONNEL - CIVIL SERVICE PERSONNEL 17-C-14

Action (Consent): A. Leave of Absence Request - JK
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<td>Lerro</td>
<td>Lenora</td>
<td>Paraprofessional c. aide)</td>
<td>JK</td>
<td>3/7/18 - 6/30/18</td>
<td>Leave of Absence</td>
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Action (Consent): B. Leave of Absence Request - JK
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<td>McDonald</td>
<td>Mildred</td>
<td>Paraprofessional l. ed. aide)</td>
<td>JK</td>
<td>3/9/18 - 6/30/18</td>
<td>Leave of Absence</td>
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Action (Consent): C. Resignations
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Peterson Deanna Paraprofessional FA (school monitor) 2/27/18 Resignation
Martini Eric Security Guard HS 3/8/18 Resignation
Chery Glenn Security Guard FA 3/13/18 Resignation

**Action (Consent): D. LOA Returnee - JK**
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<td>Lilly</td>
<td>Carolyn</td>
<td>Paraprofessional (school monitor)</td>
<td>JK</td>
<td>Step 3/ $42,726. (prorate)</td>
<td>3/12/18 Returned from LOA</td>
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<td>Lilly</td>
<td>Carolyn</td>
<td>PT/Clerk Typist (school teacher aide)</td>
<td>AEHS/Adult Ed.</td>
<td>Step 3/ $42,726. (prorate)</td>
<td>3/12/18 Returned from LOA</td>
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**Action (Consent): E. Prior Service Credit**
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<td>Rodriguez</td>
<td>Pablo</td>
<td>Custodial Worker ITA</td>
<td>Step 3/ $42,726. (prorate)</td>
<td>6/14/17 Prior Service Credit [experience verified]</td>
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**Action (Consent): F. Probationary Appointment - HS**
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<td>Tullo</td>
<td>Doreen</td>
<td>Paraprofessional (i. ed. aide)</td>
<td>HS</td>
<td>Step 4/ $14.94/hr.</td>
<td>3/21/18 Probationary Appt.</td>
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**Action (Consent): G. Probationary Appointment-JK**
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<td>Salamon</td>
<td>Alejandro</td>
<td>Paraprofessional (School Monitor)</td>
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<td>3/21/18 Probationary Appt.</td>
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**Action (Consent): H. Probationary Appointment - TA**
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<td>DeFilippis</td>
<td>Deirdre</td>
<td>Paraprofessional (special ed. aide)</td>
<td>TA</td>
<td>Step 1/ $13.78/hr.</td>
<td>3/21/18 Probationary Appt. Emergency Conditional Appt.</td>
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**Action (Consent): I. 2017-2018 Per Diem Substitute**
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<td>Frank</td>
<td>DW</td>
<td>$12/hr.</td>
<td>2017-2018 Custodian Emergency Conditional Appt.</td>
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**Action (Consent): J. 2017-2018 Per Diem Substitute**
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<td>Per Diem Substitute:</td>
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<td>$17/hr.</td>
<td>2017-2018 School Bus Driver</td>
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<td>Hirshkowitz</td>
<td>Stewart</td>
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<td>$17/hr.</td>
<td>2017-2018 School Bus Driver</td>
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**Action (Consent): K. 2017-2018 Per Diem Substitute**
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<td>Per Diem Substitute:</td>
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<td>$12/hr.</td>
<td>2017-2018 Food Service Worker Emergency Conditional Appt.</td>
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<td>Mistretta</td>
<td>Angela</td>
<td>DW</td>
<td>$12/hr.</td>
<td>2017-2018 Food Service Worker Emergency Conditional Appt.</td>
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9. FINANCE
Action (Consent): A. Approval of Commack UFSD 2017-2018 Health Services Contract
RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves Commack Union Free School District to provide Health Services, to West Babylon School District resident students, during the 2017-2018 school year.

Action (Consent): B. Approval of South Huntington UFSD 2017-2018 Health Services Contract
RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves South Huntington Union Free School District to provide Health Services, to West Babylon School District resident students, during the 2017-2018 school year.

Action (Consent): C. Approval of Smithtown Central School District 2017-2018 Health Services Contract
RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the Smithtown Central School District to provide Health Services, to West Babylon School District resident students, during the 2017-2018 school year.

Action (Consent): D. Approval of Massapequa UFSD 2017-2018 Health Services Contract
RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the Massapequa Union Free School District to provide Health Services, to West Babylon School District resident students, during the 2017-2018 school year.

Action (Consent): E. Approval of Bay Shore UFSD 2017-2018 Health Services Contract
RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the Bay Shore Union Free School District to provide Health Services, to West Babylon School District resident students, during the 2017-2018 school year.

Action (Consent): F. Approval of Hicksville UFSD 2017-2018 Health Services Contract
RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the Hicksville Union Free School District to provide Health Services, to West Babylon School District resident students, during the 2017-2018 school year.

Action (Consent): G. Approval of Cooperative Bids participation with the Garden City School District
RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the West Babylon School District to participate with the Garden City School District, in cooperative bids for the purchase of Materials and Supplies (Bus, Van and Auto Parts & Transmissions), for the 2017-2018 school year.

Action (Consent): H. Treasurer's Report for January 2018
RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the Treasurer's Report for the month of January 2018.

Information: I. Information: Schedule of Bills

10. CURRICULUM

Action (Consent): A. Approval of SCOPE 2017-2018 After School Enrichment Program Agreement
RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the Licensing and Operating Service Agreement between SCOPE EDUCATION SERVICES and the West Babylon School District, to provide Educational Services, to West Babylon School District resident students, during the 2017-2018 school year.

Action (Consent): B. Acceptance of Donation - TA
RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education gratefully accepts the following donation: Eight (8) Ozobots Kits. Ms. Kathleen Murray was able to obtain the donation. Ms. Murray plans to use these supplies during library class and also during her FLEX periods.

Action (Consent): C. Declaration of Obsolete Library Books - JHS
RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education declares 393 library books (list available upon request), located in the West Babylon Junior High School, obsolete. The materials are either no longer relevant, correct, or damaged.

11. FACILITIES (N/A)

12. POLICY REVIEW

Action: A. Policy 2330-Executive Sessions-First Time Reading
Motion to move policy to "Second Time Discussion"
Motion by Jennifer Wandasiewicz, second by Peter Scarlatos.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Yes: Lucy Campasano, Peter Scarlatos, Ray Downey, John Evola, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Longo, Jennifer Wandasiewicz

Action: B. Policy 4772 & 4772-R-Graduation Ceremonies & Regulation-First Time Reading
Motion to move policies to "Second Time Discussion".
Motion by Jennifer Wandasiewicz, second by Peter Scarlatos.
Final Resolution: Motion Carried
13. OLD BUSINESS (N/A)

14. NEW BUSINESS (N/A)
Board of Education Trustee Jennifer Longo raised a question relating to the size of reading groups in the elementary classrooms. Per Mr. Scott Payne, Executive Director for Curriculum & Instruction, the classroom teacher sets these groups based on reading level, strategy or skills needed. This is completely up to the teacher who sets each group and determines, through progress monitoring, what group will meet on any given day. This is all part of class guided or independent reading time which is recommended to be about 20-35 minutes each day. Of this time, 10-15 minutes is a mini-lesson, 10-15 minutes is independent reading and 1-5 minutes is share time. Teachers meet with groups during the 10-15 minute independent reading time. There is no expectation for teachers to meet any particular reading group weekly. Teachers decide this based on how students are performing in class. The larger the classes the greater the number of students in reading groups. For example, if a class has 24 kids, and another has 19, there are 5 more kids in "groups" or an additional group of 5. One suggested solution which was presented to all teachers is for them to have additional independent reading during FLEX time which would allow them to see more students.

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]*
The Statements of Residents section on agenda items was opened up to the audience. The following West Babylon residents spoke on the topic of "Safety and Security in Our Schools": Mr. Gene Attardo, Mr. Ruben Gonzalez, Ms. Nicole Mendola, Ms. Adrienne Licata, Ms. Donna DiMuro, Ms. Kelly Hamlin, Father Demetrios Kazakis, Ms. Denise Vollmer, Ms. Adrianna Newell, Ms. Susan Mann, and Ms. Susan Tronolone. Issues raised included: 1. SHS students and the morning entrance procedures; 2. Pros/Cons of armed guards; 3. Classroom lockdown procedures; 4. Monitoring of mid-day return of Wilson Tech SHS student procedures; 5. Active shooter drills for students during after school activities/sports; 6. Frequency of drills - how often are drills done; 7. Mental health of students and parents...inclusion of family and home situations relating to student assessments; 8. Elimination of backpacks with implementation of district-wide Ipad use; 9. Possible scheduling of a question and answer session for parents and community members; 10. The overall positive impact and performance of Officer Jeanne Osais, the district School Resource Officer. Board President Lucy Campasano and Dr. Farrellly thanked all the residents for their time and statements. Dr. Farrellly also thanked the administrator team. In addition, Dr. Farrellly said the Board and administration are here to review the current district plan and to take into account comments and concerns raised this evening. She also said we will continue to discuss safety and security at regularly scheduled meetings as we have been doing for the last few years.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Action: A. Adjourn Meeting (Should take place by 10:00 PM)
Motion to Adjourn the Meeting at 9:15 PM
Motion by Peter Scarlatos, second by Jennifer Wandasiewicz.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried
Yes: Lucy Campasano, Peter Scarlatos, Ray Downey, John Evola, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Longo, Jennifer Wandasiewicz

Attested to: _____________________________
District Clerk