

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING OF NOVEMBER 08, 2023 *The November 08, 2023 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 November 08, 2023 Regular Board of Education Meeting, of the West Babylon Union Free School District, Town of Babylon, Suffolk County, New York, 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, Ray Downey, John Evola, Cathy Gismervik, Chirsten Johnson Tymann, Kristen Scieme, Patti Neville

Also present:

Dr. Yiendhy Farrelly, Superintendent of Schools; Mr. Shawn Hanley, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Mr. Scott Payne, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction; Mrs. Denise Gillis, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations; Christopher Venator, Esq., School Attorney; and Ms. Jailin Parada, District Clerk. Trustee Scieme arrived at 5:08pm. Trustee Geiger left at 7:20pm. Board President, Lucy Campasano was not present.

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 for Interviews of Finalists for the Director of Facilities Position and Contract Terms for said position; Salary Discussion of Director of K-12 Student Data & Instructional Technology Position; WBTA Employee Discipline Matter and CSEA Negotiations.

Motion by Cathy Gismervik, second by Roseann Geiger.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

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

** Prior to the commencement of Executive Session - Public Hearing was held on the adoption of property tax exemption of Volunteer Firefighters and Ambulance Workers.

2. PUBLIC SESSION-7:24 PM

Action: A. Approval of Minutes of previous Meeting(s): Regular BOE Meeting of 10/24/23.

Motion to Approve the Minutes of Regular BOE Meeting of 10/24/23.

Motion by Ray Downey, second by Kristen Scieme.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Chris Paolillo, Ray Downey, John Evola, Cathy Gismervik, Chirsten Johnson Tymann, Kristen Scieme, Patti Neville

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

Dr. Farrelly thanked the community for attending. On behalf of herself, the Board of Education, and the administrative team, she thanked and recognized the district's school psychologists for all they do to support students during the school year. Additionally, Dr. Farrelly noted that the district's student athletes are doing well and congratulated the student athletes in our gymnastics team, football team, volleyball team and cross country team for achieving or continuing to achieve great success with their team and/or as individuals.

She concluded her report by sharing that BBS representatives have been invited to attend the next Board of Education meeting to discuss options for the JHS playground.

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

3. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AND/OR EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION

Presentation: A. Presentation: South Bay 4th Grade Narrative Writing- Mrs. Christina Cotter, South Bay Elementary Principal; Ms. Smolin, 4th Grade Teacher; Mr. Campbell, 4th Grade Teacher; 4th Grade Students
 Presentation is available on our school website www.wbschools.org

Presentation: B. Presentation: ENL Overview - Mr. Scott Payne, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction; Mrs. Christina Cotter, South Bay Principal
 Presentation is available on our school website www.wbschools.org

4. STATEMENT OF RESIDENTS - AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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

5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

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

Motion to approve the consent agenda.
 Motion by Patti Neville, second by Cathy Gismervik.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Chris Paolillo, Ray Downey, John Evola, Cathy Gismervik, Chirsten Johnson Tymann, Kristen Sciame, Patti Neville

6. BOARD OF EDUCATION

Action (Consent): A. Authorization to Sign Settlement Agreement and Release

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

Action (Consent): B. 2023-2024 Service Contract - Strong Island Physical Therapy, P.C.

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves Strong Island Physical Therapy, P.C. to provide Physical therapy services to West Babylon School District resident students, during the 2023-2024 school year.

Action (Consent): C. 2023-2024 Service Contract - DaVinci Education & Research d/b/a DaVinci Collaborative

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves DaVinci Education & Research d/b/a DaVinci Collaborative to provide related services, assistive technology, and reading services to West Babylon School District resident students, during the 2023-2024 school year.

Action (Consent): D. 2023-2024 Service Contract - North Shore Psychological Services

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves North Shore Psychological Services to provide ABA Services, Home Services, Parent Training and other related services for West Babylon resident students for the 2023-2024 school year.

Action (Consent): E. Approval of CSEA Non-Instructional Unit No. 8762-00 Memorandum of Agreement

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes and approves a Memorandum of Agreement with the Civil Service Employees Association (Non-Instructional Unit No.8762-00) dated November 2, 2023 for a successor collective bargaining agreement.

7. PERSONNEL - BOARD OF EDUCATION 23-A-

None

8. PERSONNEL - PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL 23-P-8

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
Karatnytsky	Julia	Mathematics	HS		10/30/23-end of first semester	Leave of Absence

Action (Consent): B. 2023-2024 Salary Adjustment

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following WBTA salary schedule adjustments effective at the begini

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME			STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Salary Adjustment:		From:	To:		2023-2024	
Ofsharick	Shannon	A-8-11/ \$88,745.	A-9-11/ \$92,335.			Retroactive to 9/1/23

Action (Consent): C. Part-Time Appointment Ended - JH

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

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Kueper	Lauren	PT/Mathematics (.3)	JH		11/9/23	PT (.3) Appointment Ended [to PDS Leave Repl.]

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
Extended Day Enrichment Program:			HS	\$87.50/session	2023-2024	ARP-ESSER Grant Contingent Upon Participation Up to 24 total sessions/program
Ochs	Lisa	Book Club				
Russell	Ashley	"				
Leonard	Matthew	Puzzles & Games				
Patruno	Christopher	"				
Busch	Heather	Yoga/Dance				
Ofsharick	Shannon	"				
Lemmo	Jaime	Student Alumni Connection				
Armato	Philip	Fitness				
Snyder	John	"				

Action (Consent): I. Senior Year Expectations Night - HS

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
SENIOR EXPECTATIONS NIGHT:			HS		2023-2024	
Hassett	Emily	Guidance Counselor		\$53.82/hr.		up to 2.0 hrs.
Marcin-D'Angelo	Allison	"		\$105.99/hr.		up to 2.0 hrs.
Schneider	Kelsey	"		\$51.57/hr.		up to 2.0 hrs.

Action (Consent): J. 2023-2024 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:				2023-2024	
Awgul	Brian	LMS		Spring	
Intreglia	Alyssa	TESOL	HS	Fall	
Thorn	Faith	Math	JH	Spring	
Pawleski	Emilia	Elementary	SB	Spring	
Valencia	Susie	Elementary	TA	Fall	

Action (Consent): K. 2023-2024 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		2023-2024	
				\$150./day		
				\$175/day 11 + days		
Kueper	Lauren					[cert: Math]
Mangels	Patrick					[cert: Health;PE]
Montemarano	Amanda					[pending cert: max 90 days]
Vega	Sofia					[pending cert: max 90 days]

9. PERSONNEL - CIVIL SERVICE PERSONNEL 23-C-7

Action (Consent): A. Leave of Absence Returnee - SA

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

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Cassano	Laura	Head Cook	SA	11/1/23	Returned from LOA

Action (Consent): B. Resignation - SB

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

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Clemente	David	Custodial Worker I	SB	11/9/23	Resignation

Action (Consent): C. Resignation - 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
Pritchard	Melissa	Paraprofessional (special ed. aide)	FA		11/16/23	Resignation

Action (Consent): D. Probationary Appointments - JH/TA/SB/FA

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
Luciani	Antoinette	Paraprofessional (special ed. aide)	JH	Step 1/ \$18.48/hr.	11/9/23	Probationary Appt.
Mangual	Miriam	Paraprofessional (special ed. aide)	TA	Step 6/ \$19.64/hr.	11/13/23	Probationary Appt.
Merigliano	Gregory	Paraprofessional (school monitor)	SB	Step 1/ \$18.48/hr.	11/20/23	Probationary Appt. from school bus monitor-ends 11/17/23}
Feerick-Adorno	Laura	Paraprofessional (classroom aide)	FA	Step 1/ \$18.48/hr.	11/27/23	Probationary Appt.

Action (Consent): E. Probationary Appointment - Custodial I Worker Santapogue Elementary School

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
Mendolia	Vincent	Custodial Worker I	SA	Step 1/ \$43,507. (prorate)	12/5/23	Probationary Appt.

Action (Consent): F. 2023-2024 Elementary Extended School Day Program-Paraprofessionals

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
After School Extended School Day Program:			Elem.		2023-2024	ARP-ESSER GRANT
Paraprofessionals:						[up to 3.0 hrs./week] Contingent upon participation
Giegerich	Josephine			\$19.64/hr.		
Harder	Christine			\$19.64/hr.		
Lejman	Kathleen			\$20.54/hr.		
Martocci	Loretta			\$21.44/hr.		
Meyer	Danielle			\$19.14/hr.		
Miga	Kathyann			\$21.44/hr.		
O'Connell	Christen			\$19.64/hr.		
O'Hara	Carmela			\$20.54/hr.		
Padovano	Nicole			\$19.42/hr.		
Rappa	Rosaria			\$21.44/hr.		
Savascioglu	Yeliz			\$18.48/hr.		
Senatore	Lisa			\$20.54/hr.		
Steenbuck	Rebecca			\$19.64/hr.		
Substitute:						
Gambino	Christine			\$19.64/hr.		

Action (Consent): G. 2023-2024 Per Diem Substitutes - 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
Per Diem Substitutes:				\$15./hr.	2023-2024	
Armutely	Emine	Food Service Worker	Elem.			[Emergency Conditional Appt.]
Bathija	Lily	Food Service Worker	DW			"
Baytemur	Cigdem	Custodial Worker I	"			"
Berkowitz	Sheldon	Custodial Worker I	"			"
Esposito	Roseann	Food Service Worker	"			"
Gormus	Meral	Food Service Worker	"			"
Keezer	Anthony	Custodial Worker I	"			"
Tok	Zehra	Food Service Worker	"			"

10. FINANCE

Information: A. Schedule of Bills - October 12, 2023 - Accounts Payable Check Run

Information: B. Schedule of Bills - October 26, 2023 Accounts Payable Check Run

Action (Consent): C. Approval of Brown & Brown Business Associate Agreement

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the Business Associate Agreement with Brown & Brown Insurance to facilitate compliance with the HIPAA Rules and the HITECH Amendment to HIPAA.

Action (Consent): D. Adoption of 2024-2025 Budget Calendar

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education adopts the 2024-2025 Budget Calendar.

Action (Consent): E. Approval of Treasurer's Report - September 2023

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the Treasurer's Report for the month of September, 2023.

Action (Consent): F. Claims Auditor Report - Third Quarter 2023

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education accepts the Claims Auditor's Report for the Third Quarter, 2023.

11. CURRICULUM

Action (Consent): A. JHS Charter Club 2023-2024 Drama Club

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following for the 2023-2024 school year:

JHS Drama Club

Faculty Advisor: Kerry Smith

President: Scarlett Farrell

Treasurer: Yeanna Kohan

Action (Consent): B. Acceptance of Donation - JHS

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education accepts the following donation, to the West Babylon Junior High School Music Dept from William Doran:

- Quantity 1 Steelcase 5 Drawer Lateral Filing Cabinet, model #936511HF

12. FACILITIES

None

13. POLICY REVIEW

None

14. OLD BUSINESS

None

15. NEW BUSINESS

None

16. RESIDENTS STATEMENTS

Procedural: A. Statements of Residents

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17. ADJOURNMENT

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

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting at 7:51pm

Motion by Kristen Sciamè, second by Cathy Gismervik.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Chris Paolillo, Ray Downey, John Evola, Cathy Gismervik, Chirsten Johnson Tymann, Kristen Sciamè, Patti Neville