

March 19, 2018

A regular meeting of the Board of Education of the Westhampton Beach Union Free School District, Suffolk County, New York, was held in the High School Library of the Westhampton Beach Public Schools, Westhampton Beach, New York, on March 19, 2018.

Board of Education members present: Mr. Halsey Stevens, Ms. Claire Bean, Ms. Joyce Donneson, Mr. James N. Hulme, Mr. George R. Kast, and Ms. Stacy Rubio.

Absent: Ms. Suzanne M. Mensch

Also Present: Michael R. Radday, Superintendent of Schools; Judy McCarthy, District Clerk; Bill Fisher, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel & Instruction; Kathleen O'Hara, Assistant Superintendent for Business; Lisa Slover, Elementary School Principal; and approximately 20 staff & community members.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. Halsey Stevens, Vice President, at 7:00 PM.

The pledge was conducted.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A group of elementary school PTA parents requested a meeting to share their ideas for security improvements.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Ms. Donneson second by Mr. Kast, the minutes of the March 5, 2018 Board of Education meeting, to be and hereby are approved.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

FINANCIAL REPORTS

On motion of Mr. Hulme, second by Mr. Kast, the Tuition and Tax Payments through February 28 2018; Projected Cash Flow; Trial Balances; Fund Balance; Budget Status Report as of February 28, 2018; Revenue Status Report through February 28, 2018; Budget Transfer Report; Extra Classroom Activity Reports for the ES – Oct thru Jan & HS – Feb 2018; and the Audited and Paid Claims Feb 14 thru March 14, 2018; to be and hereby are approved.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

IMPARTIAL HEARING OFFICER

On motion of Ms. Donneson, second by Mr. Kast, the resolution to confirm the appointment of Leah Murphy as an impartial hearing officer, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

TUTORING CONTRACT

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Donneson, the resolution authorizing the execution of a tutoring services contract with Four Winds Hospital – The Learning Center for the 2017/18 school year, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

HEALTH SERVICES CONTRACTS

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Donneson, the resolution authorizing the execution of a Health services contract with the Uniondale School District for the 2017/18 school year, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Donneson, the resolution authorizing the execution of a Health services contract with the South Huntington School District for the 2017/18 school year, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

RESOLUTION / CHAIRPERSON OF THE ELECTION

On motion of Mr. Hulme, second by Mr. Kast, the following resolution, to be and hereby is adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education appoint Thomas Betjemann as Chairperson for the Annual Budget Vote and Election to be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 during the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

RESOLUTION / VOTE STAFF

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Arrasate, the following resolution, to be and hereby is adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education appoint the following persons as Election Inspectors for the Annual Budget Vote and Election to be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 during the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m., and to authorize the District Clerk to fill any vacancies in these positions which may occur on or before such date:

Full Day @ \$150 each
Thomas H. Betjemann (Chief Inspector of Elections)
Bonnet Brophy
Patricia Gonce
Elinor Goldberg
Marth-ann Betjemann
William Brenner

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

RESOLUTION / ADULT CARE FACILITY STAFF

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Donneson, the following resolution, to be and hereby is adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education appoint the following Inspectors for the purpose of delivering absentee ballots for the Annual Budget Vote and Election to be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 to qualified residents of the Westhampton Care Center, and, where necessary, to assist such qualified residents in casting absentee ballots at a salary of \$50.00 each for the day:

Bonnet Brophy and Thomas Betjemann

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

ANNUAL BUDGET VOTE & ELECTION LEGAL NOTICE

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Arrasate, the resolution approving the revised legal notice for the Annual Budget Vote & Election to be held on May 15, 2018, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted:

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING, BUDGET VOTE AND ELECTION WESTHAMPTON BEACH UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT TOWN OF SOUTHAMPTON, COUNTY OF SUFFOLK, NEW YORK

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a Public Hearing of the qualified voters of the Westhampton Beach Union Free School District, Town of Southampton, County of Suffolk, New York will be held in the Westhampton Beach High School Library, in the Westhampton Beach Union Free School District on Monday, May 7, 2018, at 7:00 PM, prevailing time, for the transaction of business as authorized by the Education Law of the State of New York, including the following items:

1. To present to the voters a detailed statement (proposed budget) of the amount of money which will be required for the 2018/2019 fiscal year.
2. To discuss all the items hereinafter set forth to be voted upon by voting machines at the vote and election to be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2018.
3. To transact such other business as may properly come before the meeting pursuant to the Education Law of the State of New York and acts amendatory thereto.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a copy of the proposed budget shall be made available, upon request, to residents of the School District beginning Monday, April 30, 2018, during regular business hours at the Office of the District Clerk, District Office, 340 Mill Road, Westhampton Beach, New York.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that pursuant to Real Property Tax Law section 495 an "exemption report" will be attached to the budget citing the amount of the total assessed valuation of the District that is subject to exemption from taxation including a listing of every type of exemption (providing the statutory authority for each such exemption); the cumulative impact of each such exemption; the cumulative amount to be received from recipients of exemptions in the form of "payments in lieu of taxes" or other payments for municipal services; and the cumulative impact of all exemptions granted.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the Annual Vote and Election will be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, between the hours of 7:00 AM and 9:00 PM, prevailing time, in the Large Group Instruction (LGI) Room (behind the District Auditorium) of the Westhampton Beach High School, Lilac Road, Westhampton Beach, New York, at which time the polls will be opened to vote by voting machine upon the following items:

1. To elect two (2) members to the Board of Education, each for a term of five (5) years commencing July 1, 2018, and expiring June 30, 2023 (incumbents Halsey C. Stevens and Claire Bean).
2. To vote on the following propositions:

PROPOSITION NO. 1: To adopt the annual budget of said School District for the fiscal year 2018/2019 in an amount to be determined and to authorize the requisite portion thereof to be raised by taxation on the taxable property of the District.

PROPOSITION NO. 2: SHALL the terms of office of Board of Education members be reduced from five to three years with vacancies during each of the three years next succeeding the adoption of this proposition being filled to ensure, as nearly as possible, that equal numbers of Board members will be elected each year pursuant to NY Education Law Section 2105 (3)?

PROPOSITION NO. 3: To authorize the Westhampton Beach Union Free School District's Board of Education to contract with the Trustees of the Westhampton Free Library in an amount to be determined for the support, maintenance and capital financing of said Library for the fiscal year 2018/2019 and that a necessary tax be levied therefor.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that a copy of the statement of the amount of money which will be required to fund the School District's budget for 2018/2019, exclusive of public monies, may be obtained by any resident of the District during business hours beginning Monday, April 30, 2018, except Saturday, Sunday or holidays, at the District Office, 340 Mill Road, Westhampton Beach, New York, and at each of the following schoolhouses: Westhampton Beach High School, Westhampton Beach Middle School, Westhampton Beach Elementary School.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that petitions for nominating candidates for the office of member of the Board of Education shall be filed with the Clerk of said School District at her office in the District Office, 340 Mill Road, Westhampton Beach, New York, Monday through Friday, not later than Monday, April 16, 2018, between 8:00 AM and 5:00 PM, prevailing time. Vacancies on the Board of Education are not considered separate, specific offices; candidates run at-large. Nominating petitions shall not describe any specific vacancy upon the Board for which the candidate is nominated; must be directed to the Clerk of the

District; must be signed by at least 25 qualified voters of the District; must state the name and residence of each signer, and, must state the name and residence of the candidate. A qualified voter is one who is (1) a citizen of the United States of America, (2) eighteen years of age or older, (3) a permanent resident within the School District for a period of thirty (30) days next preceding the Annual Budget Vote and Board of Education Election, and (4) who is not otherwise prohibited from voting under the provisions of § 5-106 of the Election Law.

AND FURTHER NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that applications for absentee ballots will be obtainable during school business hours from the District Clerk; completed applications must be received by the District Clerk by Tuesday, May 8, 2018 (at least seven (7) days before the election) if the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, or by Monday, May 14, 2018 (the day before the election) if the ballot is to be delivered personally to the voter. Absentee ballots must be received by the District Clerk not later than 5:00 PM, prevailing time, on Tuesday, May 15, 2018 (date of the vote).

A list of persons to whom absentee ballots have been issued will be available to qualified voters of the School District in the Office of the District Clerk between the hours of 9:00 AM and 3:00 PM, prevailing time, until and including the day set for the Annual Vote and Election, except Saturdays, Sundays and legal school holidays, at the District Office, 340 Mill Road, Westhampton Beach, New York. Any qualified voter may, prior to the election, file a written challenge to the qualifications of any person whose name appears on the list of absentee voters prepared for transmittal to the election inspectors on the day of the election, stating the reason for such challenge. Any such written challenge shall be transmitted by the District Clerk or a designee of the Board of Education to the inspectors of election on Election Day.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

FIELD TRIPS

ODYSSEY OF THE MIND

On motion of Ms. Donneson, second by Mr. Kast, the request from Kathy Haack to take approximately 7 Odyssey of the Mind team members to compete in the state competition in Binghamton, New York from April 6 through April 7, 2018, as submitted, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

VIRTUAL ENTERPRISE FIELD TRIP

On motion of Ms. Donneson, second by Mr. Kast, the request from Amy Demchak to take 6 Virtual Enterprise Business students to compete in the National Business Plan Competition in New York City from April 17 through April 18, 2018, as submitted, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

RETIREMENTS

WILLIAM PARRY

On motion of Ms. Donneson, second by Mr. Kast, the resignation of William Parry from his position as a High School Physical Education teacher, effective June 30, 2018, for the purpose of retirement, to be and hereby is accepted.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

PATRICIA ZIPARO

On motion of Mr. Hulme, second by Ms. Donneson, the resignation of Patricia Ziparo from her position as an Elementary School Physical Education teacher, effective June 30, 2018, for the purpose of retirement, to be and hereby is accepted.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

KAREN BOESHORE

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Donneson, the resignation of Karen Boeshore from her position as an Elementary School Speech teacher, effective June 30, 2018, for the purpose of retirement, to be and hereby is accepted.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

LOUISA BENDER

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Donneson, the resignation of Louisa Bender from her position as a Middle School Math teacher, effective June 30, 2018, for the purpose of retirement, to be and hereby is accepted.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

ANN CAMERON

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Bean, the resignation of Ann Cameron from her position as a Middle School Foreign Language teacher, effective July 1, 2018, for the purpose of retirement, to be and hereby is accepted.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

MATTHEW FULHAM

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Bean, the resignation of Matthew Fulham from his position as a High School Social Studies teacher, effective July 1, 2018, for the purpose of retirement, to be and hereby is accepted.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

COACHING APPOINTMENT

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Donneson, the following coaching appointment for the 2017/18 school year, to be and hereby is approved:

Sport	Coach	Salary	Step
MS Baseball	Sewdutt Harpaul	\$3,901.02	1
MS Boys Lacrosse	Caitlin Webber	\$3,901.02	1

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

VOLUNTEER COACHING APPOINTMENTS

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Mr. Hulme, the appointment of the following volunteer coaches for the 2017/18 winter sports season, to be and hereby is approved:

Sport	Coaches
JV/V Boys Lacrosse	Michael Vitulli

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

REPORTS

The personnel postings were noted.

OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Radday gave a presentation on the proposed budget for 2018/19 school year as it stands today.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business on the agenda.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Ms. Donneson, second by Mr. Kast, the Board of Education to convene to Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. to discuss specific personnel matters, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

On motion of Mr. Hulme, second by Mr. Kast, the Board of Education to reconvene from Executive Session at 8:55 p.m., to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Hulme, second by Ms. Arrasate, all business being completed, Mr. Stevens declared the meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Judy McCarthy, District Clerk

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