

November 17, 2014

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 November 17, 2014.

Board of Education members present: Ms. Suzanne M. Mensch, Mr. Halsey C. Stevens, Mr. Bryan Dean, Mr. James N. Hulme; and Mr. George R. Kast.

Absent: Ms. Claire Bean

Also Present: Michael R. Radday, Superintendent of Schools; Judy McCarthy, District Clerk; Bill Fisher, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel & Instruction; Rob Finn; Director of Guidance; Chris Herr, High School Principal; Carolyn Probst, Assistant High School Principal; and approximately 25 staff, students and community members.

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Suzanne M. Mensch, President, at 7:00 PM.

The pledge was conducted.

EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Herr introduced this year's National Merit Scholarship commended students: Stephan Sutter, Michael Pesce, Joseph Magro, Zachary Anastasia, James Blydenburgh, Laura Halsey, and Harshil Mehta and semi-finalist Brianna Derevianik. Ms. Mensch presented the students with achievement awards.

Mr. Herr, Ms. Probst, Dr. Finn and HS English teacher, Ms. Florence Wiles, briefed the Board on the Junior Seminar course.

CURE Club president Laura Mantovani spoke about the activities and displayed photos from the students' recent camping trip to Indian Island.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Steve Wisnoski questioned the board about the vacant board seat.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the minutes of the November 3, 2014, Board of Education meeting, to be and hereby are approved.

Vote: Yes 5 No 0

FINANCIAL REPORTS

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the Schedule of Investments through October 2014; Tuition Payments through October 2014; Cash Flow; Trial Balances; Budget Status Report as of October 31, 2014, Revenue Status Report through October 2014; Budget Transfer Report for October 2014; Extra Classroom Activity Reports: HS – July, August September and ES – August & September 2014; Treasurers Reports for September & October 2014; Audited and Paid Claims through November 5, 2014, and Collateral Testing; to be and hereby are approved.

Vote: Yes 5 No 0

NEW SCHOLARSHIP FUND & DONATIONS

On motion of Mr. Hulme, second by Mr. Stevens, the resolution to accept donations to establish a new scholarship fund in memory of board member Gordon A. Werner, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 5 No 0

FORECAST 5

On motion of Mr. Hulme, second by Mr. Stevens, the resolution authorizing the execution of a contract with Forecast 5 for data analytics services, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 5 No 0

ASSETWORKS

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Hulme, the resolution to accept the proposal and authorize the execution of a contract with Assetworks to provide professional inventory & appraisal services, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 5 No 0

EDUCATIONAL VISTAS

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the resolution authorizing the execution of a contract with Educational Vistas Inc. for scoring of New York State assessments for the 2014/15 school year, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 5 No 0

BOOK DONATION

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the following donation of books from Donna Smith for the middle school library, was accepted with thanks:

Give and Take by Laura Dower
Bridge to Terabithia by Katherine Patterson
The Last Holiday Concert by Andrew Clements
On The Banks of Plum Creek by Laura Ingalls Wilder
Esperanza Rising by Pam Munoz
The Graveyard Book by Neil Gaiman
So B. It by Sarah Weeks
Criss Cross by Lynne Rae Perkins
Love by Jerry Spinelli
The Hostile Hospital by Lemony Snicket
The Vile Village by Lemony Snicket
The Ashely's by Melissa LaCruz
The Penutimate Peril by Lemony Snicket
The Curtain Went Up my Pants fell Down by Henry Winkler
Room One A Mystery or Two by Andrew Clements
Beyond the Valley of Thorits by Patrick Carman
Lunch Money by Andrew Clements
Trixie Belden (Mystery in Arizona) by Julie Campbell
Trixie Belden (The Gatehouse Mystery) by Julie Campbell

Epic Fail by Claire LaZebnik
Crash by Jerry Spinelli
Madison Finn by Laura Dower
Rules by Cynthia Lord
Maggie Bean Stays Afloat (2 books) by Tricia Rayburn
Hero's of Football by John Madden
Space by Sally Ride
The Children of Hurn by J.R.R. Tolkien
Electric Gadgets and Gizmos by Alan Bartholomew
Bug Drawing Book by Ralph Masiello
Never Kiss an Alligator by Colleen Stanley Bare
Scorpions by Mary Packard
Star Wars Sticker Book
Pop by Gordon Korman
A High Sea Adventure by John Masefield
Lacrosse Firestorm by Matt Christopher
Super Bowl Stories by Tim Polzer
No Talking by Andrew Clements
Maximum Boy by Dan Greenburg
Take the Court by Bob Lanier and Heather Goodyear
Stuart Little by E.B. White
The Great Quarterback Switch by Matt Christopher
No More Homework No more Tests by Bruce Lansky
Little House on the Prairie by Laura Ingalls Wilder
A Student's Dictionary
The 7 Professors of the Far North by John Fardell
The Young Man and the Sea by Rodman Philbrick
Don't let the Pidgeon Drive the Bus by Mo Williems
Girls Got Game by Jane Mason
By the Shores of Silver Lake by Laura Ingalls Wilder
Island of the Blue Dolphins by Scott O'Dell
The Secret of the Mansion by Julie Campbell
The Red Trailer Mystery by Julie Campbell
Fahrenheit by Ray Bradbury
To Have and to Hold by Laura Dower
Friends till the End by Laura Dower
Hit the Beach by Laura Dower
John Glen by Tom Streissguth
Dictionary of Spelling by Marvin Terban
Surfer Dog by Elizabeth Spurr
Kids are Funny by Rosie O'Donnell
The Boy who Saved Baseball by John Ritter
The Truth Cookie by Fiona Dunbar
Maggie Bean in Love by Tricia Rayburn
Pish Posh by Ellen Potter
Our Only May Amelia by Jennifer Holm
Red Kayak by Priscilla Cummings
The Marshland Mystery by Julie Campbell

The Mystery off Glen Road by Julie Campbell
The Black Jacket Mystery by Julie Campbell
Back to the Divide by Elizabeth Kay
Storm Breaker by Anthony Horowitz
Kiss Me Tomorrow by Susan Shreve
The Trojan Horse by Emily Little
A Book About Planets and Stars by Betty Polisar Reigot
Against the Odds by Bernard Stonehouse
Toad Rage by Morris Gleitzmen
Catching Waves by Matt Christopher
Two Minuet Drill by Mike Lupica
How I survived My Family Road Trip by Henry Winkler
101 Ways to Bug Your Parents by Lee Wardlaw
How Smart Is your Dog? By D. Caroline Coile, Ph.D
Tales of a Fourth Grade Nothing by Judy Blume
The Bathroom Football Book by Jeff Kreisler
The Mysterious Visitor by Julie Campbell
Little House in the Big Woods by Laura Ingalls Wilder
Guide to the Night Sky by Patrick Moore
Year In Sports 2008 – Sports Illustrated
The Tale of Despereaux by Kate DiCamillo
The English Rose by Madonna
The Revealers by Doug Wilhelm
Indigo Blue by Cathy Cassidy
Coraline by Neil Gaiman
A Series of Unfortunate Events by Lemony Snicket
Woods Runner by Gary Paulsen
Marley A Dog Like no Other by John Grogan
The Boy in the Stripped Pajamas by John Boyne
Eddie and the Jets by John Attanas
The Batboy by Mike Lupica
The Trumpet of the Swan by E.B. White
Princess Academy by Shannon Hale

Vote: Yes 5 No 0

ELIZABETH MARTRANO

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the request from high school psychologist, Elizabeth Martrano, for a Family Medical Leave of Absence effective December 1, 2014 through March 13, 2015, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 5 No 0

STEPHANIE RUBINO

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the appointment of Stephanie Rubino as a leave replacement high school psychologist effective December 1, 2014 through March 13, 2015, at Step 3D, MA, \$61,244 (prorated), to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 5 No 0

ELLEN PYSER

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the appointment of Ellen Pyser as a senior clerk typist assigned to the Office of Pupil Personnel Services, effective November 17, 2014 at Step 1, \$37,706 (prorated), with an eight week probationary period through January 9, 2015 as per civil service rules & regulations, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 5 No 0

VOLUNTEER COACHING APPOINTMENTS

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the following volunteer coaching appointments for the 2014-2015 winter and spring sports seasons, to be and hereby are approved:

Sport	Coach
JV/Varsity Boys Basketball	Nigel Braithwaite, Sr. Kimble Ware
Varsity Boys Lacrosse	Ralph Naglieri

Vote: Yes 5 No 0

SUBSTITUTES

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the appointment of the following substitute, to be and hereby is approved:

Alexia Serlis English Teacher

Vote: Yes 5 No 0

REPORTS

The personnel postings were noted.

OLD BUSINESS

There were no Old Business items on the agenda for discussion.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Radday explained the options the Board has for filling the vacant board seat created by Gordon Werner's passing.

JOYCE L. DONNISON

On motion of Mr. Dean, second by Mr. Stevens, the motion to appoint Joyce L. Donneson as member of the board of education to fill the vacancy created by Mr. Werner's passing until the Annual Vote & Board Member Election on May 19, 2015, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 5 No 0

Mr. Radday reported that the District is expected to get \$216,000 as a result of the recently approved Smart School Bond Act of 2014. There will be a future discussion as to the best use for the funding once guidance is issued by the New York State Education Department.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the Board of Education to convene to Executive Session at 7:50 PM to discuss specific personnel matters, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 5 No 0

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the Board of Education to reconvene from Executive Session at 8:42 PM, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 5 No 0

MCDC QUESTIONNAIRE

On motion of Mr. Hulme, second by Mr. Stevens, the resolution to adopt the following MCDC questionnaire resolution, to be and hereby is adopted:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Westhampton Beach Union Free School District hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute and submit on behalf of the District one or more questionnaires related to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission Municipalities Continuing Disclosure Cooperation Initiative.

Vote: Yes 5 No 0

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Hulme, second by Mr. Stevens, all business being completed, Ms. Mensch declared the meeting adjourned at 8:44 PM.

November 17, 2014

Judy McCarthy, District Clerk