

March 15, 2021

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 LGI Room on March 15, 2021.

Board of Education members present: Ms. Suzanne M. Mensch, Ms. Dawn Arrasate, Ms. Joyce Donneson, Mr. George R. Kast, Mr. Halsey C. Stevens, and Ms. Heather A. Wright.

Absent: Ms. Stacy Rubio

Also Present: Michael R. Radday, Superintendent of Schools; Judy Iannone, District Clerk; Bill Fisher, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel & Instruction; Kathleen O'Hara, Assistant Superintendent for Business; and approximately 18 attendees.

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Mensch, at 7:10 PM.

The pledge was conducted.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Several coaches spoke out in support the appointment of volunteer coaches.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Arrasate, the minutes of the March 1, 2021 Board of Education meeting and the March 3, 2021 Special Meeting, to be and hereby are approved.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Board reviewed the recommendations of the Westhampton Beach UFSD CSE meetings of: 2/3, 2/4, 2/5, 2/9, 2/24, 2/26, 3/08, 3/09 and CPSE 2/4 & 2/24/21.

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Wright, the Board of Education has no objections to the recommendations of the Committee and approves the authorization of funds to implement the special education programs and services consistent with such recommendations.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

FINANCIAL REPORTS

On motion of Ms. Donneson, second by Mr. Kast, the Tuition and Tax Payments through March 8 2021; Cash Flow; Trial Balances; Fund Balance; Budget Status Report as of February 28, 2021; Revenue Status Report through February 28, 2021; Budget Transfer Report; Treasurer's Reports January 2021; Collateral Dec 2021 thru Jan 2021; Extra Classroom Activity Reports for the ES – Dec & Jan; MS – Dec; & HS – Dec – Jan 2021; and the Audited and Paid Claims thru March 3, 2021; to be and hereby are approved.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

HIGH SCHOOL COURSE CHANGE

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Arrasate, the resolution to approve the creation of a variant of the AP Research course offerings to include a STEM concentration that would be called "AP Research, STEM Inquiries" for the 2021/22 school year, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

SPECIAL COUNSEL FOR BOND RELATED CONSTRUCTION MATTERS

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Mr. Stevens, the resolution authorizing the execution of the Engagement Letter from Ingerman Smith L.L.P. for legal services for bond-related construction matters beginning on March 16, 2021 through June 30, 2022, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

BUDGET TRANSFER

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Ms. Donneson, the following budget transfer, to be and hereby is approved:

From	To	Amount
A2250.490.00.08	A2815.400.00.05	\$9,500.00

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

SURPLUS COPIERS

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Mr. Stevens, the request to surplus three (3) copiers that are obsolete due to age and non-repairable, to be and hereby is approved as follows:

Brand	Serial No	ID #	Asset Tag #	Location
Kyocera	P1700428	10432	004739	HS Faculty Rm 127
Kyocera	UY02890	10180	004750	MS Faculty Rm 211
Kyocera	U1700487	10433	004748	MS Faculty Rm 211

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

HEALTH SERVICES CONTRACTS

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Mr. Stevens, the resolution authorizing the execution of a Health Services contract with Center Moriches School District for the 2020/21 school year, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Mr. Stevens, the resolution authorizing the execution of a Health Services contract with Southampton School District for the 2020/21 school year, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

ANNUAL BUDGET VOTE & ELECTION LEGAL NOTICE

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Mr. Stevens, the resolution approving the legal notice for the Annual Budget Vote & Election to be held on May 18, 2021, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

RESOLUTION / VOTE STAFF

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Mr. Stevens, 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 18, 2021 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 @ \$200 each
Thomas H. Betjemann (Chief Inspector of Elections)
Marth-ann Betjemann
Patricia Gonce
Doreen Croser
Pat Monaghan
John Makarewicz

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

RESOLUTION / CHAIRPERSON OF THE ELECTION

On motion of Mr. Stevens, 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 18, 2021 during the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

KATHLEEN O'HARA

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Ms. Donneson, the resignation of Kathleen O'Hara from her position as Assistant Superintendent for Business effective June 30, 2021, to be and hereby is accepted.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

JAMES FORD

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the request from James Ford for a medical leave of absence (FMLA) from his position as a MS PE teacher, effective March 1 through May 28, 2021, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

DEVIN LAUBE

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Ms. Arrasate, the appointment of Devin Laube as a MS physical education leave replacement teacher, effective March 1 through May 28, 2021, at Step 1, BA at a salary of \$50,479.00 (prorated), to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

LOUISE SCIALLO

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Ms. Arrasate, the recommendation to rescind the appointment of Louise Sciallo as a HS Senior Office Assistant, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

REPORTS

The personnel postings were noted.

OLD BUSINESS

There were no Old Business items on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Radday gave an overview of the status of the proposed budget for 2021/2022 school year.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Donneson, the Board of Education to convene to Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. to discuss specific personnel matters, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Mr. Stevens, the Board of Education to reconvene from Executive Session at 9:29 p.m., to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

VOLUNTEER COACHING APPOINTMENTS

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the appointment of the following volunteer coaches for the 2020/21 fall sports season, to be and hereby is approved:

Sport	Coach
JV/V Football	Steve Arrasate
JV/V Boys' Soccer	David Slover

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Ms. Arrasate, all business being completed, Ms. Mensch declared the meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Judy Iannone, District Clerk

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