

October 4, 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 Elementary School Cafetorium on October 5, 2020.

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

Also Present: Carolyn J. Probst, Superintendent of Schools; Judy Iannone, District Clerk; William A. Fisher, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel & Instruction; Jacqueline I. Pirro, Assistant Superintendent for Business; Jeremy Garritano, Elementary School Principal; Lisa Menegio, Assistant Elementary/Middle School Principal; and approximately 30 teachers and community members.

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

The pledge was conducted.

EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION

Mr. Garritano, Ms. Menegio, and several elementary teachers and students gave a presentation on ENL and Hispanic Heritage Month.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Discussion was held about student mask requirements.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Donneson, the minutes of the September 13, 2021, Board of Education meeting, to be and hereby are approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

DOREEN KANDELL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

On motion of Ms. Donneson, second by Mr. Kast, the resolution establishing a new scholarship fund in memory of former middle school teacher Doreen Kandell, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

BUDGET TRANSFERS

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Donneson, the following budget transfers, to be and hereby are approved:

From	To	Amount
A1620.400.00.05	A1621.403.00.01	\$5,000.00
A1620.400.00.05	A1621.403.00.02	\$5,000.00
A1620.400.00.05	A1621.403.00.03	\$5,000.00
A1620.400.00.05	A1621.403.00.05	\$5,000.00
A1620.400.00.05	A1621.418.00.01	\$5,000.00
A1620.400.00.05	A1621.418.00.02	\$5,000.00
A1620.400.00.05	A1621.418.00.03	\$5,000.00
A1620.400.00.05	A1621.418.00.05	\$5,000.00
A1620.400.00.05	A1621.419.00.05	\$5,000.00

and

From	To	Amount
A9760.710.00.05	A2110.400.05.08	\$14,800.00

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

TEACHER CENTER CONTRACTS

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Arrasate, the resolution authorizing the Board of Education President to execute three contracts (Renee Johnson, Stacy Albert & Christine Harrison) for Teacher Center of the Western Hamptons classes, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

NYSSMA FIELD TRIP

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Rubio, Josh Seifert's overnight field trip request to take 3 high school students to attend the NYSSMA All-State Symphonic Band and Mixed Chorus Conference in Rochester, NY from December 2-5, 2021, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

JEANNE LOTITO

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Mr. Stevens, the request from Jeanne Lotito for a childcare leave of absence from her position as HS Science teacher utilizing the maximum amount of allowable sick days followed by FMLA, beginning on or about January 10 through March 25, 2022, and returning to her position on March 28, 2022, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

PAULANN HOFFMAN

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the appointment of Paulann Hoffman as a substitute monitor, to be and hereby are approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

WE CARE SUPPORT STAFF

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the appointment of Katherine Cordova as We Care Program support staff at the rate of \$15/hr., on an as-needed basis for the 2021-22 school year, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

MELISSA JAYNE

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Ms. Arrasate, the resignation of Melissa Jayne as a MS Teacher Aide effective October 4, 2021, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

REPORTS

The personnel postings were noted.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

There was no New Business on the agenda.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Mr. Stevens, the Board of Education to convene to Executive Session at 8:12 PM to discuss all appropriate matters, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the Board of Education to reconvene from Executive Session at 9:40 PM, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Mr. Stevens, all business being completed, Ms. Mensch declared the meeting adjourned at 9:40 PM.

Judy Iannone, District Clerk

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