

January 10, 2022

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 January 10, 2022.

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 Wright.

Absent: Ms. Stacy Rubio

Also Present: Carolyn J. Probst, Superintendent of Schools; Judy Iannone, District Clerk; William Fisher, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel & Instruction; Jacqueline I. Pirro, Assistant Superintendent for Business; and approximately 30 staff, students, and community members.

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Suzanne Mensch, President, at 7:05 p.m.

The pledge was conducted.

EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION

Mr. Garritano, teachers and several elementary students gave a presentation on the Hurricane Buddies program.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Donneson, the minutes of the December 20, 2021, Board of Education meeting, to be and hereby are approved.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

WORKER'S COMPENSATION PLAN

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Arrasate, the resolution authorizing the use of the Worker's Compensation Reserves to fund a deficit in the amount of \$265,496 in the District's 2020-21 East End Worker's Compensation Consortium, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

ELENA CACAVAS

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Mr. Stevens, the resolution authorizing the execution of a consulting agreement with Elena Cacavas for legal services, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

SURPLUS – HS CARPET MACHINE

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the request to surplus the following HS carpet machine as it is inoperable & unreparable, to be and hereby is approved:

Hoover Professional Carpet Machine

Asset Tag None

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

TEACHER CENTER CONTRACTS

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

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

HEIDI KELLY-STRAWGATE

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Arrasate, the appointment of Heidi Kelly-Strawgate as a HS Science leave replacement teacher effective January 11 through March 25, 2022 at Step 1D, MA, \$59,755 (prorated), to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

LISA ZAINO-JONES

On motion of Ms. Donneson, second by Mr. Kast, the appointment of Lisa Zaino-Jones as a .5 FTE Nurse, effective January 19, 2022, at Step 1A, \$22,729.50 (prorated), to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

MS W.I.N. ACADEMY STAFF

On motion of Ms. Arrasate, second by Mr. Kast, the appointment of the following additional Middle School W.I.N. Academy Staff, November 16, 2021 through June 15, 2022, to be compensated at the professional rate of pay (\$48.87/hr.), to be and hereby is approved:

Laurie Ardito
Nicole Iannone
Nicole Spatz
Carson White

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

WINTER RECREATION PROGRAM STAFF

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Arrasate, the recommendation to appoint staff members for the 2022 Elementary School Winter Recreation Program, as submitted, to be and hereby is approved:

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

COACHING RESIGNATIONS

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Mr. Stevens, the following coaching resignations, to be and hereby are accepted.

Sport	Coach
Jr. High Boys Volleyball	Jackie Intraivaia
Jr. High Girls Basketball	Devin Laube

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

COACHING APPOINTMENTS

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the following coaching appointments for the 2022 late winter season, to be and hereby are approved:

SPORT	LEVEL	COACH	SALARY	STEP
Wrestling	Jr. High	Peter DeTore	\$2,040.20	1
Wrestling	Jr. High	Devin Laube	\$2,040.19	1
Girls Basketball	Jr. High	Jennifer Price	\$4,080.39	1

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

REPORTS

There were no reports.

OLD BUSINESS

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

NEW BUSINESS

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

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Donneson, the Board of Education to convene to Executive Session at 7:25 PM to discuss specific personnel matters, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Ms. Wright, the Board of Education to reconvene from Executive Session at 8:15 PM, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Ms. Wright, second by Mr. Stevens, all business being completed, Ms. Mensch declared the meeting adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Judy Iannone, District Clerk

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