

February 27, 2023

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, on February 27, 2023.

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

Also Present: Carolyn J. Probst, Superintendent of Schools; Judy Iannone, District Clerk; William Fisher, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel & Instruction; Anthony Martino, Ass't. Plant Facilities Administrator; Rob Finn, Director of Guidance; Jason Cohen, Director of Health, Athletics & Physical Education; and approximately 12 attendees.

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

The pledge was conducted.

EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION

The Music Department gave a presentation on the District's Performing Arts Program.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A question was raised regarding a budget transfer.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Mr. Stevens, the minutes of the February 6, 2023, Board of Education meeting, to be and hereby are approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

SPECIAL EDUCATION

On motion of Ms. Donneson, second by Mr. Kast, the recommendations and authorization of funds to implement the special education programs and services consistent with such recommendations of the Westhampton Beach UFSD CSE meetings of 12/15, 1/11, 1/26, 1/27, 2/1, 2/2, 2/6, 2/8, 2/9, 2/10 and CPSE 1/26 & 2/9; to be and hereby are approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

INTERNAL AUDITOR

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Mr. Stevens, the resolution to adopt the Internal Auditor's Detailed Testing Report for the period 7/1/21 through 10/31/22, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

IDEA 611 & 619 ARP FUNDS

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Arrasate, the resolution authorizing the execution of a Memorandum of Agreement with Suffolk County Department of Health Services for sub-allocations of IDEA 611 & 619 American Rescue Plan (ARP) funds for the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023, 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	Total
A2110.405.00.01	A1420.400.00.05	\$50,000.00	\$100,000.00
A2110.470.00.05		\$50,000.00	
A1680.400.00.05	A2010.490.00.08	\$2,500.00	\$8,852.00
A2110.500.00.05		\$6,352.00	

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

CHRISTINE MEYER

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Ms. Elizabeth Lanni-Hewitt, the resolution authorizing the execution of an individual contract with Christine Meyer for ES office support beginning February 7 through June 30, 2023, at an hourly rate of \$38.04, not to exceed \$3,000.00, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

DONATION

On motion of Ms. Wright, second by Mr. Kast, the donation from the Rizzo family of a wind screen for the varsity baseball field fence in the amount of \$3,500.00, to be and hereby is accepted.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS TO THE EASTERN SUFFOLK BOCES BOARD

No nominations were made.

FIELD TRIP REQUEST – ROBOTICS CLUB

On motion of Ms. Donneson, second by Ms. Wright, the field trip request for the Robotics Club to attend the SPBLI #1 Robotics Competition at Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY, from March 19 – 22, 2023, as submitted, to be and hereby is approved:

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

JAMES MACDOUGALL

On motion of Ms. Elizabeth Lanni-Hewitt, second by Mr. Stevens, the resignation of James MacDougall from his position as a High School music teacher, effective July 1, 2023, for the purpose of retirement, to be and hereby is accepted.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

PATRICIA BROSANAN

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Ms. Arrasate, the resignation of Patricia Brosnan from her position as a High School social studies teacher, effective November 1, 2023, for the purpose of retirement, to be and hereby is accepted.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

HIGH SCHOOL MATH SUPPORT

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Ms. Elizabeth Lanni-Hewitt, the appointment of the following staff members for HS After School Math Support at the professional hourly rate of \$49.60/hr. for the 2022/23 school year, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

PERMANENT SUBSTITUTES

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Ms. Elizabeth Lanni-Hewitt, the appointment of Lindamarie Kirby as a permanent substitute teacher assigned to the elementary school, effective February 28 through June 9, 2023, at \$150 per day, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

On motion of Ms. Wright, second by Ms. Donneson, the appointment of Bernadette Ryan as a permanent substitute teacher assigned to the high school, effective February 28 through June 9, 2023, at \$150 per day, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

COACHING APPOINTMENTS

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the following spring coaching appointments, to be and hereby are approved:

SPORT	LEVEL	COACH	STEP	SALARY
Baseball	Varsity	Grunenwald, Asa	1	\$7,130.60
Baseball	Var Asst	Pulick, Dan	1	\$6,179.86
Baseball	JV	Smith, Michael	1	\$6,009.11
Baseball	MS	Harpaul, Sewdutt	2	\$4,257.81
Baseball	MS	Malsky, Cole	1	\$4,141.60
Lacrosse B	Varsity	Peters, Drew	3	\$7,574.49
Lacrosse B	Var Asst	Hoyt, Cody	3	\$6,564.58
Lacrosse B	JV	McDermott, Timothy	2	\$6,127.13
Lacrosse B	JV	Duca, Rob	1	\$5,942.16
Lacrosse B	MS	TBD		
Lacrosse G	Varsity	Bergmann, Mary	2	\$7,352.56
Lacrosse G	Var Asst	Webber, Caitlynn	2	\$6,372.23
Lacrosse G	JV	Montpetit, Sean	3	\$6,312.10
Lacrosse G	JV	Locke, Kaliegh	2	\$6,127.13
Lacrosse G	MS	Price, Jenny	1	\$4,141.60

Softball	Varsity	Doroski, Jeffrey	1	\$7,130.60
Softball	Var Asst	TBD		
Softball	JV	TBD		
Softball	MS	Allen-Morabito, Kyle	1	\$4,141.60
Tennis B	Varsity	Reed, Matthew	1	\$6,366.61
Tennis B	JV	Williams, Korey	3	\$4,959.48
Tennis B	MS	Horan, Peter	2	\$4,257.81
Track B	Varsity	Mensch, Joseph	1	\$6,654.28
Track B	Var Asst	Habersaat, Erika	3	\$5,410.35
Track B	MS	Griffin, Ellen	1	\$4,141.60
Track G	Varsity	Broich, John	3	\$7,043.19
Track G	Var Asst	Yakoboski, Meghan	2	\$5,251.81
Track G	MS	Tuttle Josh	2	\$4,257.81

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

REPORTS

There were no reports on the agenda.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no Old Business on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS - BUDGET PRESENTATIONS

Jason Cohen, Director of Health, Athletics & Physical Education, presented the athletics budget requests for the 2023/24 school year.

Anthony Martino, Ass't. Plant Facilities Administrator, presented the buildings & grounds requests for the 2023/24 school year.

Rob Finn, Director of Guidance, presented the guidance budget requests for the 2023/24 school year.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Ms. Wright, the Board of Education to convene to Executive Session at 8:05 PM to discuss ongoing special education litigation, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

On motion of Ms. Donneson, second by Ms. Wright, the Board of Education to reconvene from Executive Session at 9:15 PM, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

SENIOR CITIZEN & DISABLED PERSONS REAL PROPERTY TAX EXEMPTION LIMITS

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

RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby ratifies in full the amended levels of exemptions for senior citizens and the disabled as prescribed by the subject amended NY RPTL provisions and authorizes the District to advise the Assessor of the Town of Southampton of its determination following the statutorily mandated public hearing.

<u>AMENDED LEVELS</u>	
<u>Annual Income</u>	<u>% Exempt from Taxation</u>
\$0 up to \$50,000	50%
\$50,001 up to \$51,000	45%
\$51,001 up to \$52,000	40%
\$52,001 up to \$53,000	35%
\$53,001 up to \$53,900	30%
\$53,901 up to \$54,800	25%
\$54,801 up to \$55,700	20%
\$55,701 up to \$56,600	15%
\$56,601 up to \$57,500	10%
\$57,501 up to \$58,400	5%

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Ms. Wright, all business being completed, Ms. Mensch declared the meeting adjourned at 9:16 PM.

Judy Iannone, District Clerk

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