

March 13, 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 March 13, 2023.

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

Absent: Ms. Dawn Arrasate

Also Present: Carolyn J. Probst, Superintendent of Schools; Judy Iannone, District Clerk; Bill Fisher, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel & Instruction; Jacqueline I. Pirro, Assistant Superintendent for Business; MaryAnn Ambrosini, Director of Pupil Personnel Services; and 2 attendees.

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

The pledge was conducted.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Donneson, the minutes of the February 27, 2023 Board of Education meeting to be and hereby are approved.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

Report	Dates
Budget Status Report	January 31
Revenue Status Report	January 31
Trial Balance Report	January 31
Fund Balance	
Budget Transfer Report	Dec & Jan
Treasurers Reports/Collateral	Dec & Jan
Extraclass Activities ES, MS, HS	Dec & Jan
Audited and Paid Claims	Jan - Feb 1

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

ANNUAL BUDGET VOTE & ELECTION LEGAL NOTICE

On motion of Ms. Lanni-Hewitt, second by Mr. Kast, the resolution approving the legal notice for the Annual Budget Vote & Election to be held on May 16, 2023, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

RESOLUTION / CHAIRPERSON OF THE ELECTION

On motion of Ms. Donneson, 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 16, 2023 during the hours of 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 p.m.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

RESOLUTION / VOTE STAFF

On motion of Ms. Lanni-Hewitt, second by Mr. Kast, 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 16, 2023 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
Stephen Wisnoski
Joan Scannell
Bea Allen

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

BUDGET TRANSFERS

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

From	To	Amount
A9060.800.00.05	A1620.411.00.01	\$45,000.00
A9060.800.00.05	A1620.416.00.01	\$15,000.00

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

BOCES JOINT MUNICIPAL COOPERATIVE BIDDING RESOLUTION

On motion of Mr. Stevens second by Ms. Wright, the BOCES Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding Program Resolution A for the 2023/2024 school year, to be and hereby is adopted:

WHEREAS, various educational and municipal corporations located within the State of New York desire to bid jointly for generally needed services and standardized supply and equipment items; and

WHEREAS, the Westhampton Beach School District, an educational/municipal corporation (hereinafter the "Participant") is desirous of selectively participating with other educational and/or municipal corporations in the State of New York in joint bidding in the areas mentioned above pursuant to General Municipal Law § 119-o and Education Law Section 1950; and

WHEREAS, the Participant is a municipality within the meaning of General Municipal Law § 119-n and is eligible to participate in the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, First Supervisory District of Suffolk County (hereinafter Eastern Suffolk BOCES) Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding Program (hereinafter the "Program") in the areas mentioned above; and

WHEREAS, the Participant acknowledges receipt of the Program description inclusive of Eastern Suffolk BOCES' standard bid packet and the general conditions relating to said Program; and

WHEREAS, with respect to all activities conducted by the Program, the Participant wishes to delegate to Eastern Suffolk BOCES the responsibility for drafting of bid specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, tabulating bids, awarding bids, and reporting the results to the Participant.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Participant hereby appoints Eastern Suffolk BOCES to represent it and to act as the lead agent in all matters related to the Program as described above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Participant hereby authorizes Eastern Suffolk BOCES to place all legal advertisements for any required cooperative bidding in *Newsday*, which is designated as the official newspaper for the Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Participant Meeting shall be held annually consisting of a representative from each program Participant. Notice of the meeting shall be given to each representative at least five (5) days prior to such meeting; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an Advisory Committee will be formed consisting of five to ten representatives of Program Participants for a term of three (3) years as authorized by General Municipal Law § 119-o.2.j.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Agreement with the Participant shall be for a term of one (1) year as authorized by General Municipal Law § 119-o.2.j.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Participant agrees to pay Eastern Suffolk BOCES an annual fee as determined annually by Eastern Suffolk BOCES to act as the lead agent for the Program.

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 the Southampton School District for the 2022/23 school year, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

On motion of Ms. Lanni-Hewitt, second by Mr. Kast, the resolution authorizing the execution of a Health Services contract with the Uniondale School District for the 2022/23 school year, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

DONATION

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the donation from Hampton Coffee Company of a Hampton Jitney charter bus for Virtual Enterprise students to return from the VE Youth Business Summit at LIU Brooklyn Javits Center on 4/19/23, value \$2,100.00, to be and hereby is accepted with gratitude.

Vote: Yes 6 No 0

Ms. Dawn Arrasate arrived.

FIELD TRIP REQUESTS
VIRTUAL ENTERPRISE

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Donneson, the request from Amy Demchak to take Virtual Enterprise Business students to attend the VE Youth Business Summit at LIU Brooklyn Javits Center from April 16-19, 2023, as submitted, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

ROBOTICS CLUB

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Wright, the field trip request from Jonathan Fletcher to take 30 Robotics Club students to attend the SPBLI #1 Robotics Competition at David L. Lawrence Center, Pittsburgh, PA, from April 5-9, 2023, as submitted, to be and hereby is approved:

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

KEY CLUB

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the field trip request from Brooke Russell to take 8 Key Club students to attend the Leadership Training Conference in Albany, NY, from March 31 - April 2, 2023, as submitted, to be and hereby is approved:

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

AWARD OF TENURE

On motion of Ms. Donneson, second by Mr. Kast, the recommendation to award tenure to the following administrator, to be and hereby is approved:

Administrator	Tenure date	Tenure Area
Mary Ann Ambrosini	May 6, 2023	School District Administration

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

COACHING APPOINTMENTS

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

SPORT	LEVEL	COACH	STEP	SALARY
Softball	Var Asst	Lynch, Christian	1	\$6,179.86
Boys Lacrosse	MS	Simpson, Tyler	1	\$4,141.60
Softball	JV	Dillingham, Grace	1	\$5,093.28

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

VOLUNTEER COACHING APPOINTMENTS

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Mr. Stevens, the appointment of the following people as volunteer spring coaches, to be and hereby is approved.

SPORT	LEVEL	VOLUNTEER COACH
Girls Track	Var	McAuley, Annmarie
Boys Lacrosse	JV/V	Naglieri, Ralph
Girls Lacrosse	JV/V	Windsor, Vanessa L.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

SUBSTITUTES

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

Maria Cianfrogna Clerical

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

REPORTS

The Personnel Postings were noted.

OLD BUSINESS

There were no Old Business items on the agenda.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms. Ambrosini presented the Special Education budget requests for the 2023/24 school year.

Mr. Fisher presented the Curriculum & Personnel budget requests for the 2023/24 school year.

Mr. Fisher presented the Technology budget requests for the 2023/24 school year.

Mr. Fisher presented the We Care & Winter/Summer Recreation budget requests for the 2023/24 school year.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the Board of Education to convene to Executive Session at 7:20 p.m. to discuss ongoing special education litigation, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Ms. Wright, the Board of Education to reconvene from Executive Session at 8:35 p.m., to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, all business being completed, Ms. Mensch declared the meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Judy Iannone, District Clerk

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