

September 18, 2017

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 of the Westhampton Beach Public Schools, Westhampton Beach, New York, on September 18, 2017.

Board of Education members present: Ms. Suzanne M. Mensch, Mr. Halsey C. Stevens, Ms. Dawn Arrasate, Ms. Claire Bean, Ms. Joyce Donneson, Mr. James N. Hulme, and Mr. George R. Kast.

Also Present: Michael R. Radday, Superintendent of Schools; Judy McCarthy, District Clerk; Bill Fisher, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel & Instruction; Kathleen O'Hara, Assistant Superintendent for Business; Rob Finn, Director of Guidance; Chris Herr, High School Principal; Charisse Miller, Middle School Principal; Lisa Slover, Elementary School Principal; and approximately 40 students, staff and community members.

The meeting was called to order by Ms. Suzanne M. Mensch, President, at 7:02 PM.

The pledge was conducted.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. Radday announced the Adam Sheren has been selected as a semi-finalist for the National Merit Scholarship Award.

#### EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Mr. Radday and Mr. Fisher recognized new staff members as well as Distinguished Service Award recipients for the 2016/17 school year.

Middle School science teacher, Rob Coleman, and members of the PALEOS Club gave a presentation on their archeological dig field trip this past summer.

#### TEXTBOOK ADOPTION

Dr. Herr presented a recommendation for the purchase of a new textbook:

On motion of Ms. Donneson, second by Mr. Hulme, the recommendation for the adoption of the following textbook for HS Social Studies, to be and hereby is approved:

*Government in America – People, Politics and Policy; 2017 17th Edition (Pearson)*

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

#### PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Several parents expressed their concerns about the Class Rank policy being presented for the first reading at this meeting.

*Item 12.1 – First reading of revised Policy 4741 (Class Ranking) was moved up on the agenda.*

Discussion was held about the policy.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Donneson, the minutes of the August 21, 2017, Board of Education meeting to be and hereby are approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

## SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Board reviewed the recommendations of the Westhampton Beach UFSD CSE meetings of August 15, 21, 22, 28, 29, 30, 9/5, 9/18 and CPSE meetings of 8/30 & 9/8/17.

On motion of Mr. Hulme, second by Mr. Stevens, 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 7 No 0

## FINANCIAL REPORTS

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Hulme, the Tuition and Tax Payments through August 2017, Budget Status Report as of August 31, 2017, Revenue Status Report through August 31, 2017, Budget Transfer Report, Treasurer's Reports / Scholarships for June & July 2017, Collateral, and Audited and Paid Claims August 14 through September 6, 2017; to be and hereby are approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

## SCHOOL SAFETY PLAN

On motion of Mr. Hulme, second by Mr. Kast, the resolution to adopt the revised School Safety Plan, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

## LIGHTPATH

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the resolution approving the execution of a service agreement with Lightpath for a term of 3 years, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

## INDIVIDUAL STUDENT INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the resolution authorizing the execution of an individual special education student tuition contract for instructional services with the Southampton School District for the Summer of 2017, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the resolution authorizing the execution of an individual special education student tuition contract for instructional services with the Southampton School District for the 2017/18 school year, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the resolution authorizing the execution of an individual special education student tuition contract for instructional services with the Cleary School for the Deaf for the 2017/18 school year, as submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

JENNIFER FERRANTINO

On motion of Mr. Hulme, second by Ms. Donneson, the resignation of Jennifer Ferrantino from her position as a monitor in the elementary school, effective August 31, 2017, to be and hereby is accepted.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

CHRISTINE PINCOTT

On motion of Mr. Hulme, second by Mr. Kast, the resignation of Christine Pincott from her position as a monitor in the elementary school, effective August 31, 2017, to be and hereby is accepted.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

On motion of Mr. Hulme, second by Mr. Kast, the appointment of Christine Pincott as a teacher aide assigned to the elementary school, effective August 31, 2017, at \$20,863.62, with a twenty-six week probationary period through March 1, 2018, as per Civil Service Rules & Regulations, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

JENNIFER FERRANTINO

On motion of Mr. Hulme, second by Mr. Stevens, the appointment of Jennifer Ferrantino as a teacher aide assigned to the elementary school, effective August 31, 2017, at \$20,863.62, with a twenty-six week probationary period through March 1, 2018, as per Civil Service Rules & Regulations, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

KRISTINE CARONNA-DELGIUDICE

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Hulme, the appointment of Kristine Caronna-DelGiudice as a teacher aide assigned to the middle school, effective September 19, 2017, at \$20,863.62 (prorated), with a twenty-six week probationary period through March 20, 2018, as per Civil Service Rules & Regulations, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

SALARIES & BENEFITS OF TEACHING ASSISTANTS

On motion of Mr. Hulme, second by Mr. Stevens, the resolution approving the terms and conditions of employment for Teaching Assistants (salaries & benefits) for four years (2018/18 through 2020/21), as per the memorandum submitted, to be and hereby is adopted.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

LAUREN GOMEZ

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the appointment of Lauren Gomez as a teaching assistant assigned to the elementary school, effective September 19, 2017, at \$25,000 (prorated), with a probationary period through September 18, 2021, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

DANIELLE BELSON

On motion of Mr. Hulme, second by Mr. Stevens, the appointment of Danielle Belson as a teaching assistant assigned to the elementary school, effective September 19, 2017, at \$25,000 (prorated), with a probationary period through September 18, 2021, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

BEN GRODSKI

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the appointment of Ben Grodski to an additional .2 FTE science section in the high school, for the 2017/18 school year, at 1/6 of his annual salary, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

NICOLE SPATZ

On motion of Mr. Hulme, second by Mr. Stevens, the appointment of Nicole Spatz to an additional .2 FTE ESL section in the middle school, for the 2017/18 school year, at 1/6 of her annual salary, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

CONNOR DAVIS

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the recommendation to revise the appointment of Connor Davis from a .4 FTE to a .5 FTE physical education section, for the 2017/18 school year, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

COACHING APPOINTMENTS

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

Sport	Coach	Salary	Step
MS Girls Tennis	Pete Horan	\$3,901.92	1
MS Girls Soccer	Lauren Glaser	\$3,901.92	1

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

VOLUNTEER COACHING APPOINTMENTS

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Ms. Donneson, the appointment of the following volunteer coaches for the 2017/18 fall sports season, to be and hereby are approved:

<b>Sport</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Appointment Type</b>
JV/Varsity Football	Mark Johnson	Volunteer Coach
JV/Varsity Boys Volleyball	Kathleen Theune	Volunteer Coach
Varsity Cheerleading	Nicole Taylor	Volunteer Coach

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

SUBSTITUTES

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

Anna Farlow            Monitor  
Melissa Siegfried    Monitor

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

REPORTS

The personnel postings were noted.

OLD BUSINESS

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

NEW BUSINESS

*Item 12.1 – First reading of revised Policy 4741 (Class Ranking) was discussed as part of Public Participation.*

EXECUTIVE SESSION

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Mr. Hulme, the Board of Education to convene to Executive Session at 7:40 PM to discuss specific personnel matters, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

On motion of Mr. Hulme, second by Mr. Kast, the Board of Education to reconvene from Executive Session at 10:00 PM, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

ADJOURNMENT

On motion of Mr. Hulme, second by Mr. Kast, all business being completed, Ms. Mensch declared the meeting adjourned at 10:00 PM.

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Judy McCarthy, District Clerk

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