

November 4, 2019

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 November 4, 2019.

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, and Ms. Heather A. Wright.

Also Present: Michael R. Radday, Superintendent of Schools; Judith Iannone, District Clerk; Bill Fisher, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel & Instruction; Kathleen O'Hara, Assistant Superintendent for Business; Chris Herr, High School Principal; Jessica Williams, Assistant High School Principal; and approximately 25 staff, students & community members.

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

The pledge was conducted.

EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Herr recognized this year's National Merit Scholarship commended students Kathleen Kelly, Eric McBride, Siobhan Pesce, Nick Murphy, Kay Horak, Pierce Rosen-Keith, Jocelyn McNamara, Sofia Brixius, Sophie Cline. Ms. Mensch presented achievement awards to the students.

Dr. Herr and HS Social Worker, Lauren Betz, gave a presentation on a High School Social/Emotional Learning program.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Wright, the minutes of the October 21, 2019, Board of Education meeting, to be and hereby are approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

ROBOTICS FIELD TRIPS

On motion of Ms. Rubio, second by Mr. Kast, the request for the Robotics Club to attend the regional Robotics competition at Rochester Institute of Technology, from March 11 to 14, 2020, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

On motion of Ms. Rubio, second by Mr. Kast, the request for the Robotics Club to attend the regional Robotics competition at Hofstra University, from March 26 to 28, 2020, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

COLLEGE FIELD TRIP

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Wright, Dr. Finn's overnight field trip request to take high school Juniors to visit SUNY Binghamton, SUNY Oneonta, SUNY Albany and Siena College from March 25-26, 2020, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

JESSICA WILLIAMS

On motion of Mr. Stevens, second by Ms. Donneson, the resignation of Jessica Williams from her position as HS Assistant Principal, effective January 6, 2020, to be and hereby is accepted.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Ms. Arrasate, the appointment of Jessica Williams as the Director of Curriculum & Instructional Technology, effective January 6, 2020 at a salary of \$140,000 (prorated), with a four-year probationary period through January 5, 2024 in the tenure area of Director of Curriculum & Instructional Technology, to be and hereby is accepted.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

KRISTIN KALISAK

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Mr. Stevens, the request from Kristin Kalisak for a childcare leave of absence effective on or about March 2 through April 3, 2020, followed by a FMLA through the remainder of the school year, returning to her position for the 2020-21 school year, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

SUBSTITUTES

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

Patricia Rudolph Clerical, Monitor

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. Stevens, second by Mr. Kast, the Board of Education to convene to Executive Session at 7:30 PM to discuss specific personnel matters, to be and hereby is approved.

Vote: Yes 7 No 0

On motion of Mr. Kast, second by Mr. Stevens, the Board of Education to reconvene from Executive Session at 9:20 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 9:20 PM.

Judith Iannone, District Clerk

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