

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING OF APRIL 9, 2019

A REGULAR MEETING of the Board of Education of the West Babylon Union Free School District, Town of Babylon, Suffolk County, New York, was held on Tuesday, April 9, 2019, in the Board Room of the Administration Building.

Board of Education Members present

Trustees: Lucy Campasano, Dennis Kranz, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Longo and Jennifer Wandasiewicz. Trustees Ray Downey, John Evola, and Peter Scarlatos were not present.

Also present

Dr. Yiendhy Farrelly, Superintendent of Schools; Mr. Shawn Hanley, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources; Mrs. Michele Psarakis, CPA, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations; Mr. Scott Payne, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction; William C. Morrell, Esq., School Attorney and Ms. Barbara A. Burrows, District Clerk. There were approx. 18 audience members.

1. OPENING OF MEETING & EXECUTIVE SESSION-6:05 PM

Procedural: A. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Procedural: B. Call to Order by Presiding Officer

Action: C. Executive Session

Motion to enter into executive session to discuss individual contracts expiring in June, 2019; security guards responsibilities; and Senior High School WBTA discipline matter.

Motion by Jennifer Wandasiewicz, second by Cathy Gismervik.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Lucy Campasano, Dennis Kranz, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Longo, Jennifer Wandasiewicz

2. PUBLIC SESSION-7:16 PM

Action: A. Approval of Minutes of previous Meeting(s): Regular Meeting of 3/26/19 and amended minutes of Regular Meeting of 3/12/19. Motion to Approve the Minutes of Regular Meeting of 3/26/19 and amended minutes of Regular Meeting of 3/12/19.

Motion by Jennifer Wandasiewicz, second by Dennis Kranz.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Lucy Campasano, Dennis Kranz, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Longo, Jennifer Wandasiewicz

Procedural: B. Statement of the Board and/or Superintendent

Dr. Farrelly welcomed all to the meeting. April 15th-19th is the district's celebration of Administrative Professionals Week. Dr. Farrelly thanked the wonderful office assistants/clericals in all of the district buildings for the amazing jobs they do. She also gave a special thank you to the administration building clerical staff for the support provided to Mr. Hanley, Mr. Payne and herself.

As noted, the names of the residents who spoke during the March 12th Board Meeting were inadvertently omitted from the minutes. The March 12th Board Meeting minutes have been amended, were emailed to the Board trustees for review, and are included on tonight's Board meeting agenda for approval of amended minutes. Dr. Farrelly said please be aware minutes from the Board meetings are summaries and highlights of the topics addressed and not verbatim transcripts. Summaries/highlights may not necessarily appear in the order stated during the meeting.

Our spring season programs have begun and students are outside enjoying themselves. Blue & Gold is scheduled for Thursday, Friday and Saturday (4/11-4/13). Dr. Farrelly said the teams have worked extremely hard and are very excited. She asked that parents/spectators be mindful and respectful of our building procedures. The procedures are in place in an effort to maintain order and allow for a smooth evening each night that can be enjoyed by all.

Elementary schools will be hosting their field days. Dr. Farrelly shared that new security procedures are being tried out at some schools to enhance safety and security in order to be aware of who is on school grounds during such events. The process will be reviewed afterwards and adjusted accordingly. She asked that the elementary parents please be patient as these new procedures are being implemented.

Dr. Farrelly provided a copy of the March 5th State Education Department ("SED") "School Security and Door Hardening" memo to the Board. The memo outlines that "after-market door hardening products" (used to barricade classroom doors) are prohibited in school environments. Some examples include magnetic strips that prevent doors from latching, products that restrict the door or door hardware from opening or operating as designed, and any device that prevents free egress from the space.

Dr. Farrelly shared that later this evening, she and Mrs. Psarakis will be presenting the final 2019-2020 budget proposal to the Board of Education for review and adoption. Mrs. Psarakis has started to conduct informational budget presentations at building PTA meetings. As a reminder, Dr. Farrelly said the budget maintains all current instructional programs, meets all financial obligations, adds personnel to assist with student mental health supports, includes funding for equipment, building materials and facility needs. In addition, the budget includes coverage to maintain our fitness center open for our students after school, begins to shift our health program to an earlier year, includes year 2 of our Senior High School research program and continues to enhance our safety and security initiatives. Community members are welcomed to contact Mrs. Psarakis with any questions relating to the budget.

Procedural: C. Statement of West Babylon Teachers Association Representatives

Mr. Robert Dell'Isola, WBTA President, wished all a Happy Easter.

Procedural: D. Statement of School Administrators Association Representatives

None

Procedural: E. Statement of C.S.E.A. Representatives

None

Procedural: F. Statement of Student Association Representatives

None

Procedural: G. Statement of PTA Council Representatives

Mrs. Margaret Barrett, PTA Council President, shared that the "Meet the Candidates Night" will be held on Monday, April 29th at 7:30 PM at the Junior High School in Eagle Hall. All are invited to attend.

Procedural: H. Statement of Residents re: agenda items [15 minutes-limited to 3 minutes per speaker]

None

3. REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT AND/OR EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION

Information: A. 2019-2020 Budget Information: Dr. Yiendhy Farrelly, Superintendent of Schools

Please Note:

2019-2020 BOCES Budget Vote and BOCES Board Trustees Election:
April 30, 2019 -- 7:00 PM -- Administration Building

2019-2020 West Babylon School District Budget:

Budget Hearing:

May 7, 2019 -- 6:00 PM -- Administration Building

District Budget Vote and Trustees Election:

May 21, 2019 -- 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM -- Administration Building & Santapogue School

Tenga en Cuenta:

Elección del Presupuesto de BOCES y los Miembros de la Junta Directiva de BOCES:
Abril 30, 2019 -- 7:00 PM -- Edificio de Administración

2019-2020 Presupuesto del Distrito Escolar West Babylon:

Audiencia de Presupuesto:

Mayo 7, 2019 -- 6:00 PM- Edificio de Administracion

Elección del Presupuesto del Distrito y la Elección del Administrador

Mayo 21, 2019 -- 7:00 AM to 9:00 PM -- Edificio de Administración & Escuela Elemental Santapogue

Presentation: B. 2019-2020 Final Budget Presentation: Mrs. Michele Psarakis, CPA, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations; Dr. Yiendhy Farrelly, Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Farrelly introduced Mrs. Psarakis and the 2019-2020 Final Budget PowerPoint Presentation. Mrs. Psarakis also provided a handout titled "2019-2020 General Fund Budget Adoption-April 9, 2019". Per Mrs. Psarakis, there are not many changes reflected in the final budget as compared to the March 26th Budget Draft #2 version. Estimates have been firmed up and finalized. There has been no change to the tax levy from the last draft. The presentation highlighted the following topics: **Revenues**-tax levy, other revenues, state aid, revenue projections based on Governor's proposal, revenue summary, projected reserves and fund balance; **Expenditures**-new budget expenditures, recurring budget expenditures, budget appropriations by object, projected tax levy; **Contingency Budget; Next Steps**. As of April 30, 2019, the Budget Statement is available upon request at each school building and at the district office as well as on the district's website. On May 7th at 6:00 PM, the Budget Hearing will be held in the Board Room-Administration Building. The scheduled Board of Education Meeting will follow at 7:00 PM. The annual budget vote and trustee election will take place, on Tuesday, May 21st, in the Board Room-Administration Building and at Santapogue Elementary School between the hours of 7:00 AM and 9:00 PM. The budget presentation will be posted to the district website.

Mrs. Psarakis also spoke about the rising costs of transportation and the bus driver shortage. She shared that Mr. Anthony Reid, School Transportation Supervisor, has started a bus driver training program onsite. This program will assist applicants in getting the CDL license. Several individuals are scheduled to take the road test in April.

Presentation: C. Social Emotional Learning "SEL" Presentation: Mrs. Jennifer Hoffman, Curriculum Specialist; Mrs. Jennifer Carere, Principal, Santapogue Elementary School

Mrs. Jennifer Hoffman, Curriculum Specialist, and Mrs. Jennifer Carere, Principal, Santapogue Elementary School, provided a PowerPoint presentation titled "A K-12 Journey to Growth Mindset, Collaboration, Reading and SEL Teaching". Mrs. Hoffman and Mrs. Carere were also invited to present at the Long Island Language Arts Council "LILAC" conference on March 22, 2019. Mrs. Carere thanked the Board of Education and the community for their support of "SEL" Social Emotional Learning. Mrs. Carere also thanked Mr. Scott Payne, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction, and Mrs. Theresa Taplin, Math Curriculum Specialist, for their continued support as well. The program focuses on students in Grades K-12 and the goal is to get students to recognize what they are feeling when they are feeling it. Mrs. Hoffman read some of the paragraphs prepared by the students. She shared the writings because the content was "so positive" and as a district, "we want to grow that feeling".

The WB SEL District Committee uses "The 5 SEL Core Competencies" from CASEL (Collaborative for Academic, Social and Emotional Learning). The competencies are: Self-Management, Self-Awareness, Social Awareness, Relationship Skills, and Responsible Decision-Making. Mrs. Carere explained that there are 2 representatives per building (5 elementary schools, 1 JHS and 1 SHS which incorporates 3,700 students). Representatives are asked to attend 4 (45 minutes) meetings per year that are held after school. Mrs. Carere said our district representatives and teachers are the visionaries who participate with passion and commitment.

Another piece is the SEL "Family Reflection" - families are provided SEL questions to discuss together. Mrs. Carere and Mrs. Hoffman have received very positive feedback from parents about the monthly questions. Mrs. Carere acknowledged and complimented Mr. Michael Devane, Senior High School Assistant Principal, on the work he has done with the Senior High School staff relating to family reflections and his start of the Eagle Awards. Mr. Lou Howard, Athletic Director, has also tapped into the sports arenas, i.e. Little League as well. The West Babylon School District is ahead of the curve regarding the new SED regulations for mental health "Mental Health Education Literacy in Schools: Linking to a Continuum of Well-Being" Comprehensive Guide July 2018. Mrs. Carere said the feedback received is being used to help the families. She and Mrs. Hoffman are working with the social workers and the Director of Guidance. In closing, they said if any one/family member is struggling, they can assist by providing guidance. Board President Lucy Campasano and Dr. Farrelly thanked both Mrs. Carere and Mrs. Hoffman. Dr. Farrelly said they both have "run with this beyond what we envisioned". She said she recognized their efforts and the committee's efforts. The presentation will be posted to the district's website.

Dr. Farrelly shared at the upcoming April 30th Board meeting, Mrs. Gina Curcio, Director of Guidance K-12, will be providing a Guidance/Update Presentation.

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Action (Consent): A. Approval of the Consent Agenda
Motion to approve the consent agenda.

Motion by Jennifer Wandasiewicz, second by Cathy Gismervik.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Lucy Campasano, Dennis Kranz, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Longo, Jennifer Wandasiewicz

5. BOARD OF EDUCATION

Action (Consent): A. Authorization for Board President and Superintendent of Schools to Sign Employment Agreement-L. Conroy

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education authorizes the Board President and the Superintendent of Schools to sign an Employment Agreement, with Mrs. Linda Conroy, Forest Avenue Interim Principal, for the period March 13, 2019 through June 30, 2019.

6. PERSONNEL - BOARD OF EDUCATION 18-A (N/A)

7. PERSONNEL - PROFESSIONAL PERSONNEL 18-P-15

Action (Consent): A. Resignation- JH**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Ferrara	Alexandra	PT/Math Specialist (.4)	JH		4/3/19	Resignation

Action (Consent): B. Retirement - JFK**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education accepts the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Cunningham	Gregg	Elementary Principal	JK		8/31/19	Resignation to Retire

Action (Consent): C. Tenure Recommendations**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
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Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following administrators who have successfully completed their annual reviews are appointed to tenure as listed below:

Devane	Michael	Assistant Principal			7/8/19	Tenure
Hoffmann	Jennifer	Curriculum Specialist			7/31/19	Tenure

Pursuant to NYSED Regulations, Section 3012-c and/or 3012-d of the Education Law, all teaching and supervisory staff appointed on or after July 1, 2015 must receive three(3) annual APPR composite ratings of Effective or Highly Effective in at least three(3) of the preceding four(4) years and cannot have an APPR composite rating of Ineffective in the last year of his/her probationary appointment to be granted or considered for tenure. This applies to the following teachers:

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following professional personnel who have successfully completed their annual reviews are appointed to tenure as listed below:

Asher	Samantha	Special Education			9/1/19	Tenure
Campbell	Lindsey	Special Education			9/1/19	Tenure
Duca	Lauren	Special Education			9/1/19	Tenure
Frole	Katie	Elementary			9/1/19	Tenure
Koudelka	Tiffany	Reading			9/1/19	Tenure
Lambert	Christine	Reading			9/1/19	Tenure
Matthews	Autumn	Elementary			9/1/19	Tenure
Ofsharick	Shannon	Special Education			9/1/19	Tenure
Shields	Michelle	Science			9/1/19	Tenure
Vento	Kristen	Special Education			9/1/19	Tenure
Lynch	Lisa	Special Education			9/1/19	Tenure
Mattson	Alexandra	Mathematics			10/6/19	Tenure
Groel	Elaina	Special Education			10/31/19	Tenure
Dellicarpini	Christina	ESL			11/25/19	Tenure

Action (Consent): D. Spring, 2018-2019 Coaching**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	COMMENTS
Coaches:						Spring, 2018-2019
Fazio	Marc	Varsity Head	Softball	\$7,055.		Resignation
Torres	Nicole	Varsity Head	Softball	\$7,055.		[repl. M.Fazio]
Fazio	Jennifer	Varsity Assistant	Softball	\$5,646.		Resignation
Ritacco	Joseph	Varsity Assistant	Softball	\$5,646.		[repl. J. Fazio]

Action (Consent): E. Spring, 2018-2019 Coaching**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Coach:						Spring, 2018-2019
McCallan	Michael	JV Assistant	Lacrosse (B)	\$4,537.		Pending Certification

Action (Consent): F. 2018-2019 PAC Assistant**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Performing Arts Center:						
Monteleone	Robert	PAC Asst.		\$20./hr.	2018-2019	Emergency Conditional Appt.

Action (Consent): G. 2019 K-8 Special Education Summer School Principal**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

2019 K-8 Special Education Summer School Principal-July 8-August 16, 2019*						
*contingent upon NYSED approval and sufficient enrollment						
LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
McKeon	Daniel			\$9,799.		

Action (Consent): H. 2019 Summer 9-12 Regents Preparation Coordinator**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

2019 Summer 9-12 Regents Preparation Coordinator-July 29-August 20, 2019*						
*contingent upon student enrollment						
LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Yawney-Kohler	Jessica			\$4,037.		

Action (Consent): I. 2018-2019 Per Diem Substitute Teacher**RESOLVED:** that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Per Diem Substitute Teacher:						
Boody	Patrick		DW	\$125./day	2018-2019	[max. 40 days work]

Action (Consent): J. 2018-2019 Per Diem Substitute Speech Teacher

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Per Diem Substitute Teacher:						
Pomilla	Donna	Speech	DW	\$279.77/day	2018-2019	5+ consecutive days

Action (Consent): K. Spring, 2018-2019 Intramural Advisors

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Intramural Advisors:						
Stewart	Debra	JK		\$28.63/hr.	Spring, 2018-2019	[repl. N. Torres]
"	"	JH				"
McGann	Stacie	Substitute				

Action (Consent): L. 2018-2019 Student Teacher/Observer/Intern

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Student Teacher/Observer/Intern:						
Pascuzzi	Lauren	Elementary	SB		Spring	

8. PERSONNEL - CIVIL SERVICE PERSONNEL 18-C-15

Action (Consent): A. Resignation - Trans.

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Zatkowski	Joyce	School Bus Monitor	Trans.		4/10/19	Resignation

Action (Consent): B. Resignation- HS

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education accepts the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
LaFauci	Rosemarie	Paraprofessional (school teacher aide)	HS		4/3/19	Resignation

Action (Consent): C. Leave of Absence Returnee - HS

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Barrese	Debra	Paraprofessional (hall monitor)	HS		4/8/19	Returned from LOA

Action (Consent): D. Full-Time Appt. - Trans.

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Spinelli	Francine	School Bus Driver	Trans.	Step 4/ \$25.77/hr.	4/1/19	Full-time Appt. [from part-time]

Action (Consent): E. Probationary Appointment - JK

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Cash	Lisa	Paraprofessional (school monitor)	JK	Step 1/ \$15.08/hr.	4/10/19	Probationary Appt. Emergency Conditional Appt.

Action (Consent): F. 2018-2019 Per Diem Substitute Custodian

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	POSITION	SCHOOL/AREA	STEP/SALARY	BEG/END APPT.	DESCRIPTION/COMMENTS
Per Diem Substitute:						
Peralta	Frank	Custodian	DW	\$12./hr.	2018-2019	Emergency Conditional Appt.

9. FINANCE

Action (Consent): A. Adoption of 2019-2020 School District Budget

RESOLVED: that the school district budget for the 2019-2020 school year, in the amount of \$114,748,701, proposed by the West Babylon Board of Education, in accordance with Section 1716 of the Education Law, be hereby adopted, and that said budget be voted upon by the residents on May 21, 2019.

Action (Consent): B. Approval of 2018-2019 Deer Park UFSD Health Services Contract

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves Deer Park Union Free School District, to provide Health Services, to West Babylon School District resident students, during the 2018-2019 school year.

Action (Consent): C. Approval of 2018-2019 South Huntington UFSD Health Services Contract

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves South Huntington Union Free School District, to provide Health Services to West Babylon School District resident students, during the 2018-2019 school year.

Action (Consent): D. Acceptance of Suffolk County First Precinct Police Explorer Post 555 Donation

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education gratefully accepts a donation of \$600 from the Suffolk County First Precinct Explorer Post 555. The donation is in appreciation for the use of the Junior High School facilities in which a fundraiser was held for the Post. A portion of the proceeds was held aside to benefit after school programs at the Junior High School. This donation will be placed in the Junior High School Trust and Agency account.

Action (Consent): E. Acceptance of Cabbage Plants Donation - SA

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education gratefully accepts a donation of cabbage plants from the Bonnie Plants Company for each third grade student at Santapogue.

Action (Consent): F. Acceptance of Donation for Eagle Project - JFK

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education gratefully accepts a donation of \$878.66 from Boy Scouts of America Troop 104. This donation will be used to purchase supplies for the GaGa Ball pit (which is a Boy Scout Eagle project) recently installed on the grounds of JFK Elementary School.

Action (Consent): G. Acceptance of Santapogue PTA Donation

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education gratefully accepts a donation from the Santapogue PTA, in the amount of \$1,020.00, to purchase a bottle filling station for the school.

Action (Consent): H. Approval of Budget Transfers

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following budget transfers:

Account	Description	From	To
A9060.8000	Health Insurance	\$251,040.79	
A9010.8000	Employee Retirement		\$111,040.79
	Actual Expense		
A1620.4710	Buildings & Grounds Heating and Gas		\$140,000.00
	Estimated Expense		

Action (Consent): I. Approval of Eastern Suffolk BOCES Cooperative Bid Participation

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves a resolution to participate with Eastern Suffolk BOCES in cooperative bids for the purchase of various supplies, materials and equipment for the 2019-2020 school year as provided by General Municipal Law Section 119-o and Education Law Section 1950; and

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 West Babylon UFSD, 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 the 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.

Action (Consent): J. Approval of Use of Fund Balance for Contract Transportation

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the use of \$500,000.00 from Fund Balance to be used for overages in Contract Transportation expenses.

Action (Consent): K. Approval of Suffolk County Board of Election 2019-2020 District Polling Sites

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves Suffolk County Board of Election contracts designating District buildings as polling sites for the 2019-2020 school year: Forest Avenue Elementary; JFK Elementary; Santapogue Elementary; Junior High School; High School.

Action (Consent): L. Approval of Treasurer's Report - February 2019

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education accepts the Treasurer's Report for the month of February, 2019.

Information: M. School Lunch Report - February 2019

Information: N. Schedule of Bills - March 27, 2019

10. CURRICULUM

Action (Consent): A. JHS Club Charter - 2018-2019 Student Council

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education approves the following:

JHS Student Council 2018-2019

Faculty Advisor: Eileen Moran
President: RJ Woodward
Treasurer: Daniel Papillo

11. FACILITIES

Action (Consent): A. Declaration of Obsolete Equipment - SHS

RESOLVED: that the West Babylon Board of Education declares File Cabinet (Item #20072551), located in the District Print Shop in the SHS, obsolete. The file cabinet is no longer functioning and has been replaced.

12. POLICY REVIEW (N/A)

13. OLD BUSINESS (N/A)

14. NEW BUSINESS (N/A)

15. RESIDENTS STATEMENTS

Procedural: A. Follow-up to Residents' Statements

None

Procedural: B. Statements of Residents re: other district items [15 minutes-limited to 3 minutes per speaker]*

The following West Babylon residents made comments or read statements. Comments/statements highlights included the following:

- Ms. Rachel Scelfo, West Babylon resident, stated she spoke at the March 12th Board meeting in opposition of armed guards. It is Ms. Scelfo's opinion that the Board violated the Open Meetings Law. Ms. Scelfo prepared a letter for the record which has been signed by 30 residents. She read the letter and provided copies to the Board. Ms. Scelfo's letter and attachment is on file in the office of the District Clerk.
- Ms. Sherry McGrath, West Babylon resident, stated she is backing the letter submitted by Ms. Scelfo. Ms. McGrath said she was upset and felt powerless regarding this decision. She feels there was a lack of community involvement which violates the Open Meetings Law. Ms. McGrath read a statement which is on file in the office of the District Clerk.
- Ms. Barbara Greengold, West Babylon resident, thanked Dr. Farrelly for rectifying the discrepancy in the March 12th meeting minutes - #15. Residents Statements Procedural-Section B. Statements of Residents re other district items. Ms. Greengold felt the minutes inaccurately reflected the statements of the residents. She felt there was what appeared to be fabricated statements. She said the residents names were not provided in the minutes. She questioned how this could happen. Ms. Greengold's statement is on file in the office of the District Clerk.
- Mr. Jay McGraw, West Babylon resident, stated he is the president of the West Babylon Community Association. He said a member of the community provided him with two pictures school related that she was concerned about. He further stated the community member was concerned for her child's safety. Dr. Farrelly took the pictures from Mr. McGraw, viewed them, and asked Mr. McGraw to have the parent contact the Superintendent's office. Relating to armed guards, Mr. McGraw said we live in a different world and the community may not like how the decision was made, but it is the right decision.
- Mr. Gene Attardo, West Babylon resident, said he has been coming to Board meetings for almost 2 years and feels the Board and administrators are doing a topnotch job. He said he understands that a lot of people are upset and some are happy with the armed guards decision. He said he would not comment on the decision making process. He said the Board has taken action and he admired the decision as well as the courage it took to make the decision.
- Ms. Fatima McKeon, West Babylon resident, said she is happy with the way the West Babylon school district is supporting our students through the mindfulness program we are bringing into the school. She said there is a lot more than just about the armed guards. It is a very touchy subject and she as well as other parents are at a loss as to how else to protect our children. She said she is not in favor or against this decision.
- Mr. Chris Paolillo, West Babylon resident, said he did not plan on speaking tonight. He felt there were some inaccuracies stated with regard to the procedure for the armed guards vote. He felt it was detailed in presentation. He said if we had vestibules that would be a deterrent, but in Newtown, the shooter got past that. Mr. Paolillo suggested people listen to the radio transmission of what took place at the Parkland shooting to understand what happened that day and that that incident should not be used as the basis for not having armed guards. Also, his understanding is that in West Babylon, armed guards would not be involved in school situations unless a weapon is involved. With regard to training, Mr. Paolillo said former/retired police officers must be retested every year.

Dr. Farrelly thanked everyone for their comments/statements. She wanted to clarify the following:

- If any parent becomes aware of any concern(s) regarding anything, i.e. social media, safety, security, please encourage them to reach out to the district. Contact their school principal or a central administrator. We have a "Chain of Command/Communication" sheet which can be followed regarding contacting the appropriate person. Dr. Farrelly said she cannot address an issue/situation if only a picture is provided without any additional information. Dr. Farrelly urged all to please reach out to someone.
- With regard to Board of Education meeting minutes. In general, the minutes are not a transcript or a verbatim version of who said what. The statements are a general summary of what transpired. The Board can choose to only indicate a discussion took place. Our minutes have always been a summary. The March 12th minutes were amended and residents names were added. No statements in the minutes were fabricated. In response to a trustee question, Dr. Farrelly indicated the district is not required by law to have a public statement section. Any submitted statement is available in the office of the District Clerk. Any West Babylon resident may request to hear the tape/audio of a Board meeting by contacting the district clerk and scheduling an appointment.
- Relative to the issue of armed guards, Dr. Farrelly said we, the Board and central administrators, are parents, some are grandparents and have grandchildren who are in school here, some trustees are parents of individuals who teach in the district. It is a high priority to hire and get people that have the best training/experience for the job.
- Relating to the double door vestibule comment - the double door vestibules have been in discussion at Board meetings for a long time. We are scheduled for installation this coming summer.

In closing, Dr. Farrelly said this is a true partnership. She apologized for taking the extra time for clarification, but she did not want anyone to leave the meeting with wrong information. She thanked everyone for their time.

16. ADJOURNMENT

Action: A. Adjourn Meeting (Should take place by 10:00 PM)

Motion to Adjourn the Meeting at 8:45 PM.

Motion by Jennifer Wandasiewicz, second by Cathy Gismervik.

Final Resolution: Motion Carried

Yes: Lucy Campasano, Dennis Kranz, Cathy Gismervik, Diane Klein, Jennifer Longo, Jennifer Wandasiewicz

Attested to: _____
District Clerk