



# Western Suffolk BOCES

## May 12, 2015 Regular Meeting

Meeting Type : WS-BOCES Board Meeting

Date : Tuesday, May 12, 2015

Start time : 6:30 PM

Location : Western Suffolk BOCES Conference Center 31 Lee Avenue Wheatley Heights, NY

### Roll Call - (Attendees Noted by District Clerk)

Present were:

#### Board Members

- Maryann Zumpano (President)
- Ilene Herz, Esq. (Vice President)
- Mildred Browne
- Sydney Finkelstein
- Salvatore Marinello
- Peter Wunsch

#### BOCES Staff

- Michael Flynn (Chief Operating Officer/Deputy Superintendent)
- Maureen Donohue-Whitley (District Superintendent)
- Paula Klingelhofer (Sr. Exec. Dir. - Personnel and ISS)
- Warren Taylor (Chief Financial Officer)
- Susan Smith (Administrative Assistant)
- Joanne Klein (District Clerk)
- Nancy Kelsey (Exec. Dir. Career and Tech. Education)
- Teresa Strum (Exec. Dir. - Special Education)
- Staff Members

Absent:

- Jeannette Santos

**Call to  
Order/Pledge of  
Allegiance -  
(Board President)**

The Regular meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by Board President, Mrs. Zumpano.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

At this time a motion to move into Executive Session to discuss a confidential employee matter was made by Mr. Marinello, seconded by Mr. Wunsch. At 7:25 p.m. the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn Executive Session and move into the Regular meeting on motion made by Mrs. Herz, seconded by Mr. Finkelstein.

**REGULAR MEETING:**

The Regular meeting of the Board resumed at 7:29 p.m. Mrs. Zumpano led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Visitors**

**ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF VISITORS BY PRESIDING OFFICER**

Mrs. Zumpano invited anyone present in the audience who wished to address the Board to please step forward and state their name and address. No one present wished to address the Board.

**Approval of  
Minutes Regular  
Meeting – April  
14, 2015**

(Minutes)

The minutes of the Regular and Audit Committee Meetings of April 14, 2015 were approved unanimously on motion of Mr. Wunsch and seconded by Mrs. Browne.

**Approval of  
Minutes Annual  
Meeting – April  
14, 2015**

(Minutes)

The minutes of the Annual Meeting of April 14, 2015 were approved unanimously on motion of Mr. Marinello and seconded by Mrs. Browne.

**Treasurer's  
Report**

(Treasurer's Report)

The Board acknowledged receipt of the Treasurer's Report indicating balances in the various financial accounts as of March 31, 2015. (Copies incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

**Claims Auditor's  
Report**

(Claims Auditor's Report)

The Board acknowledged receipt of the Report of the Claims Auditor from March 3, 2015 through May 1, 2015 for expenditures totaling \$9,181,291.51. (Copies incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

**Comments/Events**  
(District Superintendent)

Mrs. Donohue-Whitley welcomed everyone. Mrs. Donohue-Whitley then updated the Board on the April District Superintendents' meeting. At the meeting it was learned that their input as a group would need to be provided to the Department of State Education to identify common recommendations. The group met in subcommittees and went through the topics. The Standards, Assessment and Instruction subcommittee was able to gain support for the establishment of appropriate growth targets that would be detailed enough to show improvement for the English Language Learners and Students with Disabilities.

**BOCES  
Budget/Election  
Voting Results**  
(Chief Operating Officer  
Report)

Mr. Flynn reported to the Board the outcome of the 2015/16 BOCES Budget vote and that 17 of our 18 component districts voted "YES" to our Administrative Budget. Elwood did not meet. The districts re-elected Mr. Finkelstein and Mr. Marinello to the Western Suffolk BOCES Board of Education on April 28, 2015. Mr. Flynn offered congratulations to Mr. Finkelstein and Mr. Marinello on their re-election.

**Western Suffolk  
BOCES Nassau –  
Suffolk Bi-County  
Public School  
Enrollment  
2008-2017**  
(Chief Operating Officer  
Report)

Mr. Flynn then introduced Mrs. Paula Klingelhofer, Senior Executive Director of Personnel and Instructional Support Services to say a few words about the Western Suffolk BOCES Nassau-Suffolk Bi-County Public School Enrollment 2008-2017 report. Mrs. Klingelhofer mentioned the report document contains information about historical enrollments (2008-2014) in Nassau and Suffolk counties as well as projected enrollments through 2017. Enrollments on Long Island have declined by 3.9% since 2008 and projections suggest future declines in the region. This pattern is expected to continue with large numbers of graduating seniors and smaller numbers entering kindergarten classes. This has pretty much been following the same trend. Nassau is stabilizing, but Suffolk County still shows decline. This as well as the long term effect, will continued to be watched.

**Comments/Events**  
(Chief Operating Officer  
Report)

Mr. Flynn then updated the Board on the Learning Summit which was held from 9:00 to 6:00 p.m. on May 7th. The Governors' office is calling for a new evaluation system to be in place by June 30th. The State would like to get input from the New York State Teacher's Association and the National School Boards Association who are experts in the field. The State is trying to create a new system in 1-1/2 months which is a very difficult timeframe.

**Update of Capital  
Projects**  
(Chief Financial Officer)

Mr. Taylor spoke of a couple of items. One of the topics he discussed was the Capital Projects. A number of items have had some movement. There are several bid awards tonight. Mr. Taylor also mentioned how there are some additional projects which will start to work on.

**Approval of  
Budget  
Adjustments  
2014-15 - May**  
(Business Administration)

On motion by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Brown, the Board voted unanimously to approve 2014-15 budget adjustments/transfers for May 2015 in the following programs:

Continuing Occupational Education      School Improvement for Stds. Implem.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.1.1 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

**Approval of Bid Awards**

(Business Administration Matters)

The members of the Board reviewed the bid analysis presented by the Chief Operating Officer. Mr. Wunsch moved, Mrs. Browne seconded, and the Board unanimously approved awards to the lowest bidders meeting specifications as listed on the schedule dated May 12, 2015.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.1.2 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

**Approval of Administrative, Capital, Program and Special Program Budgets 2015-16 [R]**

(Business Administration Matters)

On motion by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Browne, the Board voted unanimously to Adopt the Program, Administrative and Capital Budgets for 2015-16 as follows:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Cooperative Educational Services for Supervisory District No. 2 of the County of Suffolk hereby adopts the 2015-16 Administrative Budget as approved by the component school districts in the amount of \$11,596,203.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Cooperative Educational Services for Supervisory District No. 2 of the County of Suffolk hereby adopts the following budgets for 2015-16 as follows:

Capital Budgets	-- \$	3,201,000
General Fund Program Budgets	--	\$145,638,313
Special Aid Program Budgets	-- \$	10,114,484
School Lunch Program Budgets	-- \$	1,606,348

**TOTAL BUDGETS -- \$172,156,348**

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.1.3 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

**Approval of Capital Projects 2015-16 [R]**

(Business Administration Matters)

On motion by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Browne, the Board voted unanimously to Approve Capital Projects 2015-16 as follows:

WHEREAS, Western Suffolk BOCES has identified specific capital projects needs for the 2015-16 school year that have been developed in conjunction with the capital plan as required by the state, and

WHEREAS, funding for these projects is available, without additional assessment to the districts, from various funds, and

WHEREAS, this transfer of funds will not jeopardize the soundness of any programs, and

WHEREAS, the following projects in the total amount of \$2,635,000 should be funded in the Capital Projects Fund:

<u>Project Name</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Estimated Cost</u>
P/A System Renovation	Brennan	163,000
Fire Alarm Panel Replacement	WT Republic	145,330
Replace Vandal Alarm System	WT Northport	10,000
Replace Vandal Alarm System	WT Republic	10,000
Replace Vandal Alarm System	JEA Dix Hills	16,736
Replace Vandal Alarm System	Brennan	10,000
Lighting Improvement	WTDH Jones I	70,514
Lighting Improvement	WTDH Jones II	76,669
Lighting Improvement	WTDH McGuire I	390,182
Lighting Improvement	WT Manor Plains	284,069
Roof Replacement	WT Manor Plains	783,165
Bathroom Renovation	WTDH McGuire I	75,000
Expand South Parking Area	JEA Melville	185,300
Replace Compressors/Air Handlers (Phase 2)*	WTDH McGuire I	179,035
Replace Main Electrical Feed Cables	WT Northport	100,000
Replace Concrete Curbs/Walks	WT Dix Hills	120,000
Replace Concrete Curbs/Walks	WT Northport	16,000
Total		\$2,635,000

\*additional funding for projects previously approved

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the amount of \$2,635,000 is hereby transferred to the Capital Fund from the following sources:

<u>Source of Funds</u>	<u>Amount</u>
2015-16 Appropriation/Capital Budget	\$2,635,000
Total	\$2,635,000

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.1.4 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

**Rejection of Bid  
Submission [R]**

(Business Administration  
Matters)

On motion by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Browne, the Board voted unanimously to approve rejection of bid submission as follows:

WHEREAS, based upon a review of the bids submitted for FIRE ALARM SYSTEM REPLACEMENT: MANOR PLAINS SCHOOL, CONTRACT E-ELECTRICAL WORK #14/15-115LF the bid by the apparent low bidder, Palace Electric Contractors, Inc., was non-responsive, incomplete and failed to meet the requirements of the bid specifications; and

WHEREAS, the bid of next apparent low bidder, Locust Valley Electric Company, Inc., contained technical non-compliance with the bid specifications which are a mere irregularity and it is in the best interests of Western Suffolk BOCES to waive these defects;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the bid submitted by Palace Electric Contractors, Inc. for FIRE ALARM SYSTEM REPLACEMENT: MANOR PLAINS SCHOOL, CONTRACT E-ELECTRICAL WORK #14/15-115LF is hereby rejected as the bid submitted is non-responsive, incomplete and does not meet bid specifications; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the technical non-compliance with the bid specifications contained in the bid of Locust Valley Electric Company, Inc. are hereby waived as they are a mere irregularity and it is in the best interests of Western Suffolk BOCES to waive these defects; and

IT IS FURTHER RESOLVED, that the contract for FIRE ALARM SYSTEM REPLACEMENT: MANOR PLAINS SCHOOL #14/15-115LF CONTRACT E-ELECTRICAL WORK be awarded to the following lowest

responsible bidder meeting bid specifications in accordance with the bids and specifications dated April 23, 2015, bid opened April 30, 2015. Funds for the above are within the budget allocation for the 2014/15 school year.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.1.5 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

**Instructional Personnel**

(Personnel)

Mr. Wunsch moved and Mrs. Browne seconded, and the Board unanimously agreed to approve Instructional Personnel matters, agenda items 9.2.1 as follows:

All Instructional personnel matters listed on the 2-page Instructional Report dated May 12, 2015 (Encl. 9.2.1) is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.

**Supplementary Services**

(Personnel)

Mr. Wunsch moved and Mrs. Browne seconded, and the Board unanimously agreed to approve Supplementary Services, agenda items 9.2.2 as follows:

All items listed on the 5-page Supplementary Services Report dated May 12, 2015 (Encl. 9.2.2) is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.

**Non-Instructional Personnel**

(Personnel)

Mr. Wunsch moved and Mrs. Browne seconded, and the Board unanimously agreed to approve Non-Instructional Personnel matters, agenda items 9.2.3 as follows:

All Non-Instructional Personnel matters listed on the 2-page Non-Instructional Report dated May 12, 2015 (Encl. 9.2.3) is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.

**Approval of Disposition of Surplus Property**

[R]

(Other Action Items)

The Board voted unanimously to approve the Disposition of Surplus Property on motion of Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Browne as follows:

WHEREAS, Western Suffolk BOCES has certain equipment and materials which have been deemed surplus or obsolete and are of no use to Western Suffolk BOCES; and

WHEREAS, these items have also been deemed to have no resale value and have been declared valueless; and

WHEREAS, according to Policy #4420, no surplus property may be disposed of without the recommendation and authorization of the District Superintendent, or his designee, and the approval of the Board;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby approves the disposition of this surplus property as listed on the attached.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.3.1 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

**Approval of Agreement with Erie I BOCES for Participation in Statewide Software/Learning System Licensing Agreements 2015-16 [R]**

(Other Action Items)

On motion of Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Browne, the Board unanimously authorized an agreement between Erie I BOCES and Western Suffolk BOCES for Participation in Statewide Software/Learning System Licensing Agreements 2015-16 as follows:

WHEREAS, it is the plan of a number of BOCES districts in New York, to consent to jointly enter into an agreement for 3rd L Corp, Achieve3000, Adobe, American Reading Company, Amplify, Blackboard, Inc., Bloomboard, Bridges Transitions, Cambium Learning, Carnegie Learning, Centris, Certica, ClassLink, Collaborative Learning, College Board, Compass Learning, Curriculum Associates, Defined Learning, Desire 2 Learn, Discovery, eDoctrina, Edgenuity, Edmentum, Educational Vistas, Edvation, FableVision, FastBridge Learning, Global Scholar, Hobsons, Hot Math, Houghton Mifflin, Imagine Learning, Instructure, Interactive Media, iSafe, iStation, It's Learning, IXL, Knovention, Laureate Learning Learning Sciences International, Learning.com, Let's Go Learn, LinkIt, Mastery Connect, McGraw-Hill, Mind Research Institute, Modular Robotics, Montage, MyLearning Plan, NWEA, Pearson Digital Learning, Randa, Renaissance Learning, Right Reason Technologies, Rosetta Stone, Rubicon West, Inc., Scholastic, Inc., School Improvement Network, School Specialty, SchoolBinder, Schoology, Scientific Learning, Service Infinity, Shmoop, SMART Technologies, ST4 Learning, SunGard, Teachscape, The Reading Solution, Think Through Math, Triumph Learning, Virtuoso Chester Technical Services, Waterford.

WHEREAS, Western Suffolk BOCES is desirous of participating with other BOCES Districts in New York State in joint agreements for the software/learning packages and licensing mentioned above as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-0, and,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Western Suffolk BOCES Board of Education authorizes Erie 1 BOCES to represent it in all matters leading up to and entering into a contract for the purchase of and licensing of the above mentioned software/learning packages, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Western Suffolk BOCES Board of Education agrees to assume its equitable share of the costs associated with Erie 1 BOCES negotiating the Agreements, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Western Suffolk BOCES Board of Education agrees (1) to abide by majority decisions of the participating BOCES on quality standards; (2) Erie 1 BOCES will negotiate

contracts according to the majority recommendations; (3) that after contract agreement, it will conduct all purchasing arrangements directly with the vendor.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.3.2 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

**Approval of  
Agreement with  
Erie I BOCES for  
Participation in  
Statewide  
Distance Learning  
Licensing  
Agreements  
2015-16 [R]**  
(Other Action Items)

On motion of Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Browne, the Board unanimously authorized an agreement between Erie I BOCES and Western Suffolk BOCES for Participation in Statewide Distance Licensing Agreements 2015-16 as follows:

WHEREAS, it is the plan of a number of BOCES districts in New York, to consent to jointly enter into an agreement for the 2015-2016 fiscal year for Apex, Blackboard, Canvas, Connection Education, Desire 2 Learn, Edgenuity, Edmentum, Florida Virtual

WHEREAS, Western Suffolk BOCES is desirous of participating with other BOCES Districts in New York State in joint agreements for the distance learning student courses mentioned above as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-0, and,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Western Suffolk BOCES Board of Education authorizes Erie 1 BOCES to represent it in all matters leading up to and entering into a contract for the purchase of and licensing of the above mentioned courses, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Western Suffolk BOCES Board of Education agrees to assume its equitable share of the costs associated with Erie 1 BOCES negotiating the Agreements, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Western Suffolk BOCES Board of Education agrees (1) to abide by majority decisions of the participating BOCES on quality standards; (2) Erie 1 BOCES will negotiate contracts according to the majority recommendations; (3) that after contract agreement, it will conduct all purchasing arrangements directly with the vendor.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.3.3 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

**Approval of  
Agreement  
between SCOPE  
and the Outdoor**

On motion of Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Browne, the Board unanimously authorized an agreement with Scope and Outdoor/Environmental Education Service of Western Suffolk BOCES as follows:

WHEREAS, an agreement between Western Suffolk BOCES and SCOPE has been developed, and

**Environmental  
Education  
Services [R]**  
(Other Action Items)

WHEREAS, Western Suffolk BOCES has contracted with SCOPE to facilitate programming and administration of certain outdoor education programs and sites as specified in the agreement,

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Deputy Superintendent/Chief Operating Officer is hereby authorized to sign an agreement with SCOPE for the period of July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016 in the amount of \$327,737.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.3.4 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

**Approval of  
Articulation  
Agreement with  
SUNY Cobleskill  
[R]**  
(Other Action Items)

On motion of Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Browne, the Board unanimously authorized an Articulation Agreement with State University of New York College of Agriculture and Technology at Cobleskill as follows:

WHEREAS, an agreement between Western Suffolk BOCES and The State University of New York College of Agriculture and Technology at Cobleskill has been developed for the purpose of providing instruction for the Graphic Design program courses for Western Suffolk BOCES students participating in The State University of New York College of Agriculture and Technology at Cobleskill educational programs; and

WHEREAS, said agreement would be beneficial to the students participating;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief Operating Officer will be authorized to execute said agreement with The State University of New York College of Agriculture and Technology at Cobleskill. This agreement will become effective October 3, 2014 and will be reviewed for renewal, five years after signing by the participating parties.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.3.5 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

**Designation of  
Lead Agency for  
SEQRA  
Requirements on  
Capital Projects  
[R]**  
(Other Action Items)

On motion of Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Browne, the Board unanimously Designed a Lead Agency for SEQRA Requirements for Capital Projects:

WHEREAS, The State Education Department Office of Facilities Planning requires that each capital project have a SEQRA (environmental review) process completed by a lead agency for the BOCES;

THEN IT IS RESOLVED, that the Western Suffolk BOCES declares itself the lead agency for the following

projects:

- P/A System Renovation at Brennan
- Fire Alarm Panel Replacement at WT Republic
- Replace Vandal Alarm System at WT Northport
- Replace Vandal Alarm System at WT Republic
- Replace Vandal Alarm System at JEA Dix Hills
- Replace Vandal Alarm System at Brennan
- Lighting Improvement at WT Dix Hills - Jones I
- Lighting Improvement at WT Dix Hills - Jones II
- Lighting Improvement at WT Dix Hills - McGuire I
- Lighting Improvement at WT Manor Plains
- Roof Replacement at WT Manor Plains
- Bathroom Renovation at WT Dix Hills – McGuire I
- Expand South Parking Area at JEA Melville
- Replace Compressors/Air Handlers (Phase 2) at WT Dix Hills – McGuire I
- Replace Main Electrical Feed Cables at WT Northport
- Replace Concrete Curbs/Walks at WT Dix Hills
- Replace Concrete Curbs/Walks at WT Northport
- Miscellaneous construction district wide (Alterations)
  - Central Office            WT Manor Plains
  - M&O Facility            WT Manor Plains
  - WT Dix Hills            JEA Melville
  - WT Northport            Taukomas
  - WT Republic            Brennan

It is also declared that these projects represent Type II actions and that these projects will have no significant adverse impact on the environment based on the criteria contained in subdivision 617.7c and these are not Type I actions as defined in section 617.4.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.3.6 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

**Approval of  
Multi-Year  
Technology  
Agreements with**

On motion by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Browne, the Board voted unanimously to approve a Multi-Year Technology Agreement with Cold Spring Harbor CSD, Elwood UFSD, Elwood UFSD, Half Hollow Hills CSD, North Babylon UFSD, and West Babylon UFSD:

**Cold Spring Harbor CSD, Elwood UFSD, Elwood UFSD, Half Hollow Hills CSD, N. Babylon UFSD, and W. Babylon UFSD [R]**  
 (Other Action Items)

WHEREAS, the Division of Instructional Support Services has been working with Cold Spring Harbor, Elwood, Half Hollow Hills, N. Babylon, and W. Babylon School Districts on the development of a long-range technology plan; and

WHEREAS, the districts have adopted this plan for implementation and have requested Western Suffolk BOCES to provide the service appropriate to this plan;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the District Superintendent and District Clerk are hereby authorized to execute service agreements for the amounts listed plus cost of related financing

<u>School District</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Cold Spring Harbor CSD	5 Year	\$384,460
Elwood UFSD	5 Year	\$151,311
Elwood UFSD	5 Year	\$192,283
Half Hollow Hills CSD	4 Year	\$515,113
N. Babylon UFSD	5 Year	\$241,704
W. Babylon UFSD	5 Year	\$120,015

(Listing referred to designated as Encl. 9.3.7 and incorporated in the official minutes of this meeting.)

**Approval of Articulation Agreement with ESB- Eastern Long Island Academy of Applied Technology [R]**  
 (Other Action Items)

On motion of Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Browne, the Board unanimously approved an Articulation Agreement with Eastern Suffolk BOCES - Eastern Long Island Academy of Applied Technology as follows:

WHEREAS, an agreement between Western Suffolk BOCES and Eastern Suffolk BOCES – Eastern Long Island Academy of Applied Technology has been developed for the purpose of students completing Cosmetology Courses at Eastern Suffolk BOCES – Eastern Long Island Academy of Applied Technology and entering the Esthetics Program at Western Suffolk BOCES; and

WHEREAS, said agreement would be beneficial to the students participating;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief Operating Officer will be authorized to execute said agreement with Eastern Suffolk BOCES – Eastern Long Island Academy of Applied Technology. This agreement will become effective May 12, 2015 and will continue until June 30, 2020 unless terminated at either party’s request prior.

(Listing referred to designated as Encl. 9.3.8 and incorporated in the official minutes of this meeting.)

**Authorization to  
Accept  
Scholarship  
Donated -  
O'Malley [R]**  
(Other Action Items)

On motion by Mr. Wunsch seconded by Mrs. Browne, the Board voted unanimously to accept a Scholarship Donation as follows:

WHEREAS, Denise O'Malley Memorial, 64 Summer Street, Danvers, MA 01923, has offered to fund a scholarship in honor of Denise O'Malley; and

WHEREAS, the scholarship would recognize Western Suffolk BOCES students; and

WHEREAS, such a scholarship would benefit the students and is endorsed by the administration of the program;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Western Suffolk BOCES accept the \$1,000 donation to be used to fund a scholarship.

(Listing referred to designated as Encl. 9.3.9 and incorporated in the official minutes of this meeting.)

**Adjournment**

At 7:59 p.m. there being no further business items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned on motion by Mr. Finkelstein and seconded by Mrs. Herz.

**Student  
Recognition**

The meeting was reconvened at 8:03 p.m. and Mr. Flynn introduced himself and welcomed everyone to the Student Recognition ceremony. Mr. Flynn opened the ceremony with the Pledge of Allegiance. After the Pledge, Mr. Flynn introduced and welcomed the members of the Western Suffolk BOCES Board of Education. Mr. Flynn acknowledged staff members who were in attendance to honor the students being recognized this evening. Mr. Flynn mentioned how Mrs. Santos, Trustee of the Western Suffolk BOCES Board of Education unfortunately was unable to attend this evening's program because she had a prior commitment with the Amityville School District, where Mrs. Santos also serves as a Board of Education trustee. Mr. Flynn mentioned how we are here to celebrate the great moments of these true leaders, who have accomplished so much. Mr. Flynn then introduced Mrs. Nancy Kelsey, Executive Director of CTE.

Mrs. Kelsey welcomed everyone. We are proud of our students' accomplishments and wish our students much success in their future. Mrs. Kelsey introduced Mrs. Ann Joseph, Principal of the Wilson Tech, Dix Hills Campus. Mrs. Joseph offered congratulations to all students tonight and wished to recognize Cortland Terris. Cortland took 1st Place - Carpentry, NYS SkillsUSA competition. Cortland is a second year

Carpentry student who has worked hard to increase his skills from the prior year. Cortland's focus and hard work has paid off and he will represent NYS in the national competition in June. After graduation Cortland hopes to attend SUNY Farmingdale for Construction Management.

Mrs. Joseph then recognized Karen Flood and Andrew Rose who took 1st Place in the Audio Production Team in the NYS SkillsUSA competition. Unfortunately, Andrew was unable to attend tonight's ceremony. Karen and Andrew are both second year Audio Production students who worked diligently and topped their second place finish at the regional competition this past March. Karen is an active member of SkillsUSA and the Wilson Tech Community. Karen will be attending Suffolk Community College in the fall to pursue a career on screen or voiceover. Andrew is a well-rounded musician who plans to attend Berklee School of Music in Boston to pursue a career as a musician or composer.

Mrs. Joseph then recognized Sherina Parra who is a second year Culinary Arts student and an active member of SkillsUSA. Sherina is the recipient of the Long Island Association of Career & Technical Administrators Award. She is an active volunteer with Chef & Child and Heroes Night out and is planning on attending Johnson & Wales University in the fall.

Mrs. Joseph then welcomed Anthony Pumarejo as the recipient of the Long Island Association of Career & Technical Administrators Award. Thanks to Anthony's organizing efforts, creative vision, students and staff worked together to transform central loop of the the Wilson Tech Dix Hills campus into a beautiful park-like setting. Anthony worked as the "contractor" on this, his Eagle Scout project. Anthony is a member of the National Technical Honor Society and plans to study electrical and computer engineering in college.

Mrs. Kelsey then acknowledged Tiffani Rushford who took 1st Place in Animal Careers in the NYS SkillsUSA competition. Unfortunately, Tiffani was unable to attend this evening's ceremony because she is competing in the regional SkillsUSA competition at SUNY Morrisville. Tiffani will be attending Suffolk Community College where she will pursue a career in Veterinary Technology.

Mrs. Kelsey then introduced Mr. Dan Loughran, Principal of Republic Campus. Mr. Loughran welcomed Heber Zavala, who won 1st Place - Aviation Science Flight in the regional SkillsUSA competition. Heber maintains a 98 average in his studies in high school as well as a 97 average in Wilson Tech Aviation Science Flight program while juggling memberships in several extracurricular activities. Heber is hoping to complete his first solo flight prior to the end of this school year. Heber has been accepted into the ROTC program at Manhattan College, as well as the Farmingdale State College in Aeronautical Science - Professional Pilot Bachelor of Science Program.

Mr. Flynn welcomed Mrs. Teresa Strum, Executive Director of Special Education. Mrs. Strum offered congratulations to all students who represent Western Suffolk BOCES and who have reached ultimate goals and make everyone proud. Teachers and staff are beaming at their student's accomplishments. Mrs. Strum introduced Mrs. Regina Giunta, Principal of the JEA Jr/Sr High School to speak.

Mrs. Giunta welcomed students, parents and staff and asked Michael Bila, recipient of the Paul Loiacono Memorial Award to join her. Michael received this award because he demonstrates citizenship, compassion and love for life and other people. Michael always follows directions, willingly helps and completes tasks given to him. Michael has a shining personality.

Mrs. Strum then introduced Ms. Christa Alfredsen, teacher at Brennan Middle School. Ms. Alfredsen presented Joseph Hobbins with the Presidential Award for Educational Excellence. Joseph joins a prestigious group of students across the nation who have maintained a grade point average of 90-100. Joseph is a gifted student with the skills necessary to maintain high academic standing and has shown tremendous growth in social areas.

Mrs. Strum introduced Ms. Sharon Soho, Teacher from Brennan High School. Ms. Soho presented Joseph Rosati with the David Kidane, Jr. Memorial Award. Joseph has overcome many personal and academic challenges. He strives to do his best and currently is working on becoming an Eagle Scout. Joseph is a leader at the Brennan High School who helps with other students when they need assistance.

Mrs. Strum then introduced Mrs. Fran Crocco, Assistant Principal of Manor Plains High School. Mrs. Crocco welcomed everyone and introduced Eugene O'Connor, recipient of the Association of Long Island Vocational Educators Award. Eugene is a Manor Plains High School student who has triumphed over academic and personal challenges and continually demonstrates a willingness to succeed. Eugene is a dedicated Food Prep student and works tirelessly on recipes and new food creations. Eugene plans on applying to various culinary schools to pursue his passion.

Mrs. Strum welcomed Mr. Tom Logatto, Principal of the JEA Alternative Program and the ALC Program. Mr. Logatto wanted to take a moment to recognize Devontay Bulgin, for the Outstanding Student Achievement Award. Unfortunately Devontay was unable to attend the ceremony. Devontay entered the JEA Alternative High School Program in 2012 where he proceeded to thrive. By perseverance, Devontay has overcome academic challenges and earned the opportunity to attend the Electronics program at Wilson Tech Huntington campus. Devontay has excelled and is now looking forward to graduating and continuing with his technical training.

Mr. Logatto then recognized William Horstmann, recipient of the SEPTA Council Executive Director Award. William is a 5th grade ALC student who attends William DeLuca Elementary School. William has been an outstanding inspiration to students and staff. He works hard to demonstrate growth in all academic areas. William has a wonderful sense of humor and brings out smiles from everyone. He possesses the drive and leadership skills necessary to achieve success in his life.

Mr. Flynn concluded the ceremony on behalf of the Board of Education members, who are very proud of each and every one of our students.

### Upcoming Events

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>ATTENDEES</b>
5/14/15	National Technical Honor Society, Thursday, 7:00 p.m., Elwood M.S.	P. Wunsch
5/28/15	N-SSBA Annual Dinner Meeting, Thursday, 6:30 p.m., Registration & Networking, 7:30 p.m. Dinner Program, Woodbury Country Club, Woodbury, NY	J. Santos
6/2/15	Adult Literacy Recognition Ceremony, Tuesday, 10:00 a.m., Wilsonian Room, Wilson Tech – Dix Hills	M. Browne, J. Santos, P. Wunsch
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6/10/15	JEA Jr./Sr. High School Graduation Ceremony, Wednesday, 10:00 a.m., Melville, NY	M. Browne, I. Herz, J. Sa
6/17/15	External Diploma Graduation, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., West Babylon High School	M. Browne, J. Santos, P. Wunsch
6/19/15	Brennan Middle School Moving Up Ceremony, Friday, 10:00 a.m., North Babylon, NY	I. Herz, P. Wunsch
6/22/15	Secondary Recognition Ceremony Huntington, Northport, Republic Campuses, Monday, 7:30 p.m., Half Hollow Hills H.S. East	M. Browne, J. Santos, P. Wunsch
6/23/15	Secondary Recognition Ceremony, Tuesday, 7:30 p.m., Dix Hills Campus, Half Hollow Hills H.S. East	P. Wunsch
6/23/15	James E. Allen Elementary School Moving Up Ceremony, Tuesday, 9:45 a.m., Dix Hills, NY	P. Wunsch
6/24/15	Center for Alternative Education Recognition Ceremony, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., Wilson Tech, D.H.	M. Browne, J. Santos, P. Wunsch
6/25/15	JEA Alternative School Graduation Ceremony, Thursday, 9:30 a.m., Wheatley Heights, NY	
6/25/15	Brennan High School Graduation Ceremony, Thursday, 10:00 a.m., North Babylon, NY	

6/25/15	Health Careers Graduation, Thursday, 6:00 p.m. Boyd Intermediate School	P. Wunsch
6/26/15	Manor Plains High School Graduation Ceremony, Friday, 10:00 a.m., Huntington, NY	M. Browne, J. Santos, P. Wunsch
10/18/15-10/20/15	NYSSBA Annual Convention and Education Expo, Sunday to Tuesday, New York City	J. Santos

**Enclosures:**

Invitation to June 9, 2015 Recognition Ceremony  
 Invitation to Manor Plains Graduation, June 26 2015  
 Invitation to External Diploma Program Graduation, June 17, 2015  
 Wilson Tech – Summer 2015  
 The Smithtown News, *“Local districts paying for BOCES”*  
 The Smithtown News, *“Enrollment decline will continue”*  
 EAP, *“Pathways”*, Spring 2015  
 Separation Pay Notification  
 Thank You Letter sent to each Component District Board President  
 N-SSBA 56th Annual Dinner Meeting – Save the Date  
 WSBFA Memo  
 NYSSBA Legal Alert, April 23, 2015  
 NYSSBA Advocacy Alert, May 4, 2015



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 Joanne Klein  
 District Clerk