



April 14, 2026

Meeting Type: Annual Meeting

Date: Tuesday, April 14, 2026

Start Time: 7:30 p.m.

Location: Central Administrative Office

Welcome, Call to Order – Mr. Brian Sales

The meeting was called to order at 7:28 p.m. by Western Suffolk BOCES Board President, Mr. Sales.

Annual Meeting Minutes – April 9, 2024

Mr. Sales, Board President acknowledged the previously approved minutes from the Annual Meeting of April 8, 2025.

Members of Cooperative Board

Mr. Flynn welcomed all to the meeting. Mr. Flynn announced the names of the two candidates seeking election to the Western Suffolk BOCES Board of Education, Jeannette Santos, Amityville School District and Robert Scheid, North Babylon School District.

Mr. Flynn introduced the members of the Western Suffolk BOCES Board of Education: Debbie Adams-Kaden, Ilene Herz, Brian J. Sales and Jeannette Santos. Mr. Flynn noted Mrs. Cunningham, Mr. Scheid and Mr. Wunsch were not able to be in attendance.

Meet-the-Candidates for Election to the Board of Western Suffolk BOCES

Mr. Flynn discussed there are two seats up for election on the Western Suffolk BOCES Board of Education. Mr. Flynn stated there are two nominees who are seeking re-election to the BOCES Board of Education. The two candidates are

running unopposed. Jeannette Santos, Robert Scheid are incumbent Board members seeking re-election to the Western Suffolk BOCES Board of Education.

Mr. Flynn invited Mrs. Santos to address those in attendance. Mrs. Santos addressed the Board and thanked everyone for their support. Mrs. Santos discussed her experience and years of service.

Mr. Flynn then spoke on behalf of Mr. Robert Scheid, who was unable to attend the meeting. Mr. Flynn read a statement from Mr. Scheid regarding his desire to seek re-election to the Western Suffolk BOCES Board of Education.

Candidates listed in alphabetical order:

Mrs. Jeannette Santos, 82 Maple Drive, Amityville, NY, has been nominated for election by formal action of the Board of Education of the Babylon UFSD, Copiague UFSD, Elwood UFSD, Half Hollow Hills CSD, Harborfields CSD, North Babylon UFSD, Smithtown CSD, South Huntington UFSD and West Babylon UFSD.

Robert Scheid, 135 Monarch Avenue, West Babylon, NY 11704 has been nominated for election by formal action of the Board of Education of the Babylon UFSD, Copiague UFSD, Elwood UFSD, Half Hollow Hills CSD, Harborfields CSD, North Babylon UFSD, Smithtown CSD, South Huntington UFSD and West Babylon UFSD.

Question & Answer Period for the Audience Concerning the Board Candidates

No one present in the audience had questions concerning the Board candidates.

Introduction of the Central Administration Staff

Mr. Flynn welcomed the Board members and all in attendance to the Annual Meeting. Mr. Flynn introduced the Central Administrative staff; April Poprilo, District Superintendent, Diana Santiago, Executive Director – Career and Technical Education, Nancy Wilson, Executive Director – Special Education, Warren Taylor, Chief Financial Officer, Dr. Hugh Gigante, Executive Director – Personnel, Nancy Fischetti, Public Relations Director and Lorraine Hein, Director of Business. Mr. Flynn recognized the hard work of the Central Administration staff and thanked them for their efforts.

BOCES Annual Meeting Letter from the NYSED Commissioner

Mr. Flynn acknowledged and spoke briefly regarding the letter received from Commissioner Betty A. Rosa of the NY State Education Department regarding the BOCES Annual Meeting.

Western Suffolk BOCES Component School Districts – 2025-26 Expenditures & Estimated BOCES State Aid for WSB Services

Mr. Flynn discussed the 2025-26 Expenditures and Estimated BOCES State Aid for WS BOCES services.

Administrative, Capital & Program 2026-27 Budgets

Mr. Flynn gave a PowerPoint presentation regarding the administrative, capital and program budgets for the 2026-27 school year.

Once the PowerPoint presentation was complete, Mr. Flynn asked if anyone had any questions.

Question & Answer Period for the Audience Concerning the BOCES Budget

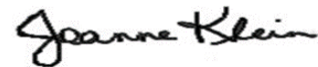
Mr. Flynn asked if there were questions. There were no other questions and Mr. Flynn thanked everyone for attending the Annual Meeting.

2024-25 BOCES Report Card

The Board acknowledged receipt of the 2024-25 BOCES Report Card recently submitted to the New York State Education Department.

Adjournment

At 8:08 p.m. a motion was made by Mrs. Herz, seconded by Mrs. Santos and the Annual meeting was adjourned.



Joanne Klein, District Clerk