



October 15, 2019

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting

Date: Tuesday, October 15, 2019

State Time: 6:25 p.m.

Location: Central Administrative Offices

Roll Call – (Attendees Noted by District Clerk)

Present were:

Board Members

- Salvatore Marinello (President)
- Jeannette Santos (Vice President)
- Ilene Herz, Esq.
- Brian J. Sales
- Peter Wunsch
- Maryann Zumpano

BOCES Staff

- Michael Flynn (Chief Operating Officer)
- Angelique Johnson-Dingle (District Superintendent)
- Dr. Hugh Gigante (Exec. Dir. – Personnel)
- Warren Taylor (Chief Financial Officer)
- Nancy Fischetti (Public Relations Director)
- Joanne Klein (District Clerk)

- Nancy Kelsey (Exec. Dir. Career and Tech. Education)
- Nancy Wilson (Exec. Dir. - Special Education)
- Staff Members

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance (Board President)

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 6:25 p.m. by Board President, Mr. Marinello.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At this time a motion was made to move into Executive Session to discuss the performance of particular employees and a student matter made confidential by Federal Law was made by Mrs. Zumpano, seconded by Mrs. Herz. At 7:05 p.m. the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn Executive Session and move into the Regular Meeting on motion made by Mrs. Zumpano, seconded by Mrs. Herz.

REGULAR MEETING

The Regular meeting of the Board resumed at 7:06 p.m. Mr. Marinello led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Visitors: ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF VISITORS BY PRESIDING OFFICER

Mr. Marinello 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 – September 10, 2019

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 10, 2019 were approved unanimously on motion of Mr. Wunsch and seconded by Mrs. Zumpano.

Program Presentation

Western Suffolk BOCES Goals

Special Education – Nancy Wilson, Executive Director, Special Education spoke of the division’s goals for this school year which included:

- Achieving a graduation rate of 90% or greater for eligible Special Education students in Regents-level secondary programs.
- Maintaining a wellness committee at the JEA Elementary and JEA Jr/Sr High Schools which promotes health and overall wellness for the students.
- Provide staff development on many different levels.

Career and Technical Education – Nancy Kelsey, Executive Director, Career and Technical Education revealed some of the division’s goals including the following:

- Increasing student pass rate on Technical Endorsement Exams for all programs.
- Integrate the Delta training software program into the Aviation Maintenance Program and increase the number of students gaining successful employment.
- Continued workshops on cultural diversity awareness and inclusivity.

Division of Instructional Support Services – Angelique Johnson-Dingle, District Superintendent, reported the Division of Instructional Support’s many goals for this year. A few of the goals encompass the following:

- Expansion of the Summer Enrichment Program.
- Offering of 300 Professional Development workshops to Long Island school districts.
- Conduct demographic/enrollment studies for 42 school districts.
- Expand course offerings to help renewable energy.

Treasurer's Report

The Board acknowledged receipt of the Treasurer’s Report indicating balances in the various financial accounts as of August 31, 2019. (Copies incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

Claims Auditor's Report

The Board acknowledged receipt of the Report of the Claims Auditor from August 2, 2019 to October 3, 2019 for expenditures totaling \$45,594,990.71. (Copies incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

EXECUTIVE OFFICER’S REPORTS

District Superintendent – Comments/Events

Mrs. Johnson-Dingle welcomed everyone to the Board meeting and mentioned it is a busy time at the NYSED level. Mrs. Johnson-Dingle discussed the Teacher Diversity Pipeline grant and stated the first informational meeting will be held on October 24, 2019.

Chief Operating Officer Report – Comments/Events

Award of Grants – Mr. Flynn noted the Award of Grants.

2019-20 Annual Attendance Report – Mr. Flynn discussed the 2019-20 Annual Attendance Report and advised the

report is very detailed and encourages exceptional attendance for students.

School Board Recognition – October 21 – October 25, 2019 is School Board Appreciation Week. Mr. Flynn mentioned it is a privilege and honor to work with the Board. Mr. Flynn stated letters and certificates were mailed to all of the WS BOCES component school Board members.

Annual Board Dinner – December 5, 2019 – Mr. Flynn discussed the upcoming Annual Board dinner and mentioned preparation for this event is well underway.

Chief Financial Officer – Update of Capital Projects

Mr. Taylor updated the Board on the Report of Capital Projects and stated many projects are in design. It is hopeful NYSED will update and changed their process to move projects along at a quicker pace.

ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

Business Administration Matters

Approval of Budget Adjustments October 2019/20

On motion by Mrs. Herz, seconded by Mrs. Zumpano, the Board voted unanimously to approve 2019-20 budget adjustments/transfers for October 2019 in the following programs:

Encumbrances/Deferred Revenue	Center for Learning Technology
School Improvement For Stds. Implementation	Services Other BOCES
Regional Summer School	Encumbrances/Deferred Revenue
Multi-Year Appropriations	WIOA, TITLE II-ESOL/Civics
WIOA, TITLE II-Adult Education & LIT 3096	WIOA, TITLE II-Adult Education & LIT 3231
WIOA, TITLE II-Adult Education & LIT 3233	

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

Approval of Bid Awards

The members of the Board reviewed the bid analysis presented by the Chief Operating Officer. Mrs. Herz moved, Mrs. Zumpano seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve awards to the lowest bidders meeting specifications as listed on the schedule dated October 15, 2019.

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

Authorization to Participate in Omnia Partners [R]

On motion by Mrs. Herz, seconded by Mrs. Zumpano, the Board voted unanimously for Authorization to Participate in Omnia Partners as follows:

WHEREAS, Section 103 of the General Municipal Law permits Western Suffolk BOCES to purchase apparatus, materials, equipment or supplies or contract for services related to the installation, maintenance or repair of apparatus, materials, equipment, and supplies through the use of a contract let by the United States or any agency thereof, any state or any other county, political subdivision or district therein if such contract was let to the lowest responsible bidder or on the basis of best value in a manner consistent with this section and made available for use by other governmental entities; and

WHEREAS, Western Suffolk BOCES, based on the authority granted in General Municipal Law, Article 5A (Public Contracts), Section 103, desires to participate in Omnia Partners, Contract #R190201 Chemistry, Biology, Physics and Anatomy Instructional Supplies & Services, for the purpose of fulfilling and executing its public governmental purposes, goals, objectives, programs and functions; and

WHEREAS, Western Suffolk BOCES has reviewed the benefits of participating in this program and an analysis is performed, and based on this review which is in accordance with the General Municipal Law, has concluded that participation in the program could result in savings to Western Suffolk BOCES;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that Western Suffolk BOCES is authorized to participate in Omnia Partners Contract #R190201 Chemistry, Biology, Physics and Anatomy Instructional Supplies & Services and that the Board President and/or the Chief Operating Officer or his designee is hereby authorized to execute any and all necessary documents to effectuate participation in Omnia Partners, Contract #R190201 Chemistry, Biology, Physics and Anatomy Instructional Supplies & Services.

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

Personnel

Instructional Personnel

Mrs. Herz moved, Mrs. Zumpano seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve Instructional Personnel matters, agenda items 9.2.1 as follows:

All Instructional personnel matters listed on the 7-page Instructional Report dated October 15, 2019 (Encl. 9.2.1) is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.

Supplementary Services

Mrs. Herz moved, Mrs. Zumpano seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve Supplementary Services, agenda items 9.2.2 as follows:

All items listed on the 11-page Supplementary Services Report dated October 15, 2019 (Encl. 9.2.2) is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.

Non-Instructional Personnel

Mrs. Herz moved, Mrs. Zumpano seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve Non-Instructional Personnel matters, agenda items 9.2.3 as follows:

All Non-Instructional Personnel matters listed on the 3-page Non-Instructional Report dated October 15, 2019 (Encl. 9.2.3) is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.

Approval of Agreement Amendment for Central Office Administrator [R]

On motion by Mrs. Herz, seconded by Mrs. Zumpano, the Board voted unanimously for Approval of Agreement Amendment for Central Office Administrator as follows:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has discussed and reviewed the proposed Amendments to the Wage and Benefit Agreements between Michael Flynn and Western Suffolk BOCES, and believes that this amendment is in the interest of both parties, it is

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the President of the Western Suffolk Board of Cooperative Educational Services is hereby authorized to execute certain modifications to the Wage and Benefit Agreement between Michael Flynn and the Western Suffolk BOCES Board of Education which amended Wage and Benefit agreement is to be effective October 1, 2019, it is further

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that all other provisions of the agreement most recently amended on December 9, 2014, June 14, 2016 and December 11, 2018 remain unchanged.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.2.4 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

Approval of Agreement Amendment for District Superintendent [R]

On motion by Mrs. Herz, seconded by Mrs. Zumpano, the Board voted unanimously for Approval of Agreement Amendment for District Superintendent as follows:

WHEREAS, the above parties have previously entered into an employment agreement dated October 18, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the parties now wish to amend that agreement,

WHEREAS, all previous provisions of the agreements between the parties shall remain in full force and effect and shall not be diminished during the term of the employment of Angelique Johnson-Dingle or, if applicable, to post retirement benefits after the date of retirement.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the President of the Western Suffolk Board of Cooperative Educational Services is hereby authorized to execute certain modifications to the Agreement between Angelique Johnson-Dingle and the Western Suffolk BOCES Board of Education which amended Agreement is to be effective October 18, 2019.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.2.5 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

Authorization to Appoint a Hearing Officer [R]

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the appointment of Steven C. Kasarda, Esq. as the Hearing Officer with respect to a Section 75 Hearing involving a Western Suffolk BOCES employee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the suspension (including without pay for up to 30 days) of this employee following the service upon the employee of disciplinary charges, pending the final determination of those charges.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.2.6 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

Other Action Items

Approval of Disposition of Surplus Property [R]

The Board voted unanimously to approve the Disposition of Surplus Property on motion of Mrs. Herz, seconded by

Mrs. Zumpano 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.)

Adoption of Annual Professional Performance Review Plan [R]

On motion of Mrs. Herz, seconded by Mrs. Zumpano, the Board voted unanimously for Adoption of Annual Professional Performance Review Plan as follows:

WHEREAS, Western Suffolk BOCES certifies that all provisions of the APPR Plan that are subject to collective negotiations have been resolved pursuant to the provisions of Article 14 of the Civil Service Law; and

WHEREAS, collective negotiations have been completed on all provisions of the APPR Plan that are subject to collective bargaining with the Western Suffolk BOCES Faculty Association and the Western Suffolk BOCES Administrative and Supervisory Association; and

WHEREAS, the Western Suffolk BOCES APPR Plan complies with the requirements of Education Law §3012-c and Subpart 30-2 of the Rules of the Board of Regents;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Western Suffolk BOCES adopts the Annual Professional Performance Review Plan (APPR) for teachers and principals for the 2019-20 school year.

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

Approval of Articulation Agreement with SUNY Canton [R]

On motion of Mrs. Herz, seconded by Mrs. Zumpano, the Board voted unanimously for Approval of Articulation Agreement with SUNY Canton as follows:

WHEREAS, an agreement between Western Suffolk BOCES and SUNY Canton has been developed for the purpose of providing instruction for Early Childhood Education program for Western Suffolk BOCES students participating in SUNY Canton’s Early Childhood Care and Management, BBA program; and

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

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief Operating Officer be authorized to execute said agreement with SUNY Canton. This agreement will be effective between October 1, 2019 through September 30, 2024.

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

Approval of Agreement between Camp Quinipet & Retreat Center and the Western Suffolk BOCES Outdoor Education Services [R]

On motion of Mrs. Herz, seconded by Mrs. Zumpano, the Board voted unanimously for Approval of Agreement between Camp Quinipet & Retreat Center and the Western Suffolk BOCES Outdoor Education Services as follows:

WHEREAS, the Western Suffolk BOCES Outdoor/Environmental Education Program has the need for services to provide quality residential outdoor/environmental educational experiences for students of school age, and

WHEREAS, a BOCES administrator has inspected such available facilities and reviewed the programs and finds them to be suitable for the outdoor/environmental education program;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief Operating Officer is hereby authorized to sign an outdoor/environmental education service agreement with Camp Quinipet & Retreat Center effective September 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

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

Authorization to Accept Scholarship Donation - Marinello [R]

On motion of Mrs. Herz, seconded by Mrs. Zumpano, the Board voted unanimously for Authorization to Accept Scholarship Donation - Marinello as follows:

WHEREAS, Mr. Salvatore Marinello, 44 Athens Court, West Babylon, NY 11704, has offered to fund a scholarship in memory of his mother, Janet Marinello; and

WHEREAS, the scholarship would recognize an adult nursing student who exemplifies what BOCES and the Practical Nursing Program are all about; and

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

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Western Suffolk BOCES accept the \$500 donation to be used to fund a scholarship to be awarded pursuant to the terms of the attached letter from Mr. Marinello.

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

Authorization for Affiliation Agreement with Dominican College [R]

On motion of Mrs. Herz, seconded by Mrs. Zumpano, the Board voted unanimously for Authorization for Affiliation Agreement with Dominican College as follows:

WHEREAS, an agreement between Western Suffolk BOCES and Dominican College has been developed for the purpose of providing a placement site for students from Dominican College to fulfill their educational program in the Teacher Education Division, and

WHEREAS, both parties believe this agreement to be in the interests of the Western Suffolk BOCES students;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chief Operating Officer of Western Suffolk BOCES is hereby authorized to execute the necessary agreement.

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

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

ADJOURNMENT

At 7:38 p.m. there being no further business items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned on motion by Mr. Wunsch and seconded by Mrs. Zumpano.

UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	ATTENDEES
10/24/19	Health Careers Graduation, Thursday, October 24, 6:00 p.m., Boyd Intermediate School	S. Marinello
10/24/19-10/26/19	NYSSBA 100 th Annual Convention and Education Expo, Thursday to Saturday, Rochester, NY	B. Sales, J. Santos
12/5/19	Annual Board Dinner, Thursday, 7 pm, Wilson Tech, Dix Hills	
3/23/20	SCOPE's 19 th Annual School District Awards Dinner, Monday, Villa Lombardi's, Holbrook, NY	
4/4/20 - 4/6/20	National School Boards Association Convention, Sat. - Mon., Chicago, IL	S. Marinello

Enclosures:

- EAP Pathways, September 2019, October 2019
- EAP Pathways, Supervisors, September 2019, October 2019
- NYSSBA Advocacy Alert, September 18, 2019
- NYSSBA Advocacy Alert, September 25, 2019
- NYSSBA Advocacy Alert, September 27, 2019
- NYSSBA Advocacy Alert, September 27, 2019
- NYSSBA Advocacy Alert, October 10, 2019
- NYSSBA Area Director Update, October 3, 2019
- Sick & Vacation Balances – Unrepresented Staff
- Dear Colleague Letter Sent to Staff, September 6, 2019

Dear Colleague Letter Sent to Staff, October 10, 2019
Letter Sent to NYSED Acting Commissioner, September 13, 2019
Thank You Letter Sent to Principals, October 8, 2019
Thank You Letter Sent to School Nurses, October 8, 2019
The Link, Sept/October 2019

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joanne Klein". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J".

Joanne Klein
District Clerk