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**December 12, 2023**

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting

Date: Tuesday, December 12, 2023

Start Time: 5:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time

Location:

**Absent**

- Michele Kustera
- Joanne Klein

**Call to Order (Board President)**

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Board President, Mrs. Herz.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At this time a motion to move into Executive Session to discuss ongoing negotiations with Unit I, Unit IV, Unit IX and Unit XII, the performance of two particular persons and hiring of counsel was made by Mrs. Santos, seconded by Mr. Sales. At 7:00 p.m. the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn Executive Session and move into the Regular Meeting on motion made by Mrs. Santos, seconded by Mr. Sales.

**REGULAR MEETING/Pledge of Allegiance**

The Regular meeting of the Board resumed at 7:05 p.m. Mrs. Herz led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Visitors: ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF VISITORS BY PRESIDING OFFICER**

Mrs. Herz 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 – November 14, 2023**

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 14, 2023 were approved unanimously on motion of Mr. Wunsch and seconded by Mr. Sales.

**Program Presentation****Staff Recognition**

Mr. Flynn introduced and the Board recognized staff members Nicole Chiuchiolo, a Psychologist at the Chestnut Hill Elementary School, and Camille Mercogliano, a Psychologist at JEA Alternative School. Ms. Chiuchiolo and Ms. Mercogliano had volunteered to help counsel students, families and victims of a tragic bus accident involving the Farmingdale School District this past September 2023. Both volunteer with the American Red Cross as emergency counselors. Ms. Chiuchiolo and Ms. Mercogliano thanked the Board for the recognition saying they felt honored that they were able to help their community.

Independent Auditors' Report and Financial Statement to the Board

Mr. Taylor, Chief Financial Officer introduced Mr. Timothy Doyle of Bonadio & Co., LLP. who presented the Independent Audit Report and Financial Statement results to the Board. In addition, Mr. Doyle discussed the Western Suffolk Board of Cooperative Education Services Extraclassroom Activity Funds report with the Board





On motion by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Santos, the Board voted unanimously for Resolution to participate in Town of Huntington Bid for General Construction Requirements Contract #ES 2022-04/O-E 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 Town of Huntington Bid for General Construction Requirements Contract #ES 2022-04/O-E 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,

authorized, as President, to execute same on behalf of

requirements of the Taylor Law and,

WHEREAS, parties have discussed and agreed to a change to this agreement pertaining to Credit Accrual for the purpose of salary advancement

WHEREAS, the Chief Operating Officer is designated as a representative of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of the Second Supervisory District, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief Operating Officer be authorized to execute the Memorandum of Agreement between the Board of Cooperative Educational Services and Unit I, Western Suffolk BOCES Faculty Association.

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

**Authorization for Agreement with Clerical Personnel Unit IV [R]**

On motion by Mr. Sales moved and Mrs. Cunningham, the Board voted unanimously for Authorization for Agreement with Clerical Personnel Unit IV as follows:

RESOLVED that, upon the recommendation of the Chief Operating Officer, the Board hereby ratifies and approves the attached Agreement dated November 27, 2023 with the with the Civil Service Employees Association, Inc., Local 1000, AFSCME, AFL-CIO and its Western Suffolk BOCES Clerical Personnel – Unit IV.

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

**Approval of Agreement with Unit IX Adult Instructors [R]**

On motion by Mr. Sales moved and Mrs. Cunningham, the Board voted unanimously for Approval of Agreement with Unit IX Adult Instructors as follows:

WHEREAS, the Unit IX, Western Suffolk BOCES Faculty Association representing Adult Instructors and Alternate High School Staff and the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Secondary Supervisory District of Suffolk County completed collective bargaining pursuant to the requirements of the Taylor Law and,

WHEREAS, parties have discussed and agreed to a change to this agreement pertaining to Paid Time Off (PTO)



for Adult Instructors and Alternate High School Staff, and

WHEREAS, the Chief Operating Officer is designated as a representative of the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of the Second Supervisory District, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief Operating Officer be authorized to execute the Memorandum of Agreement between the Board of Cooperative Educational Services and Unit IX, Western Suffolk BOCES Faculty Association representing Adult Instructors and Alternate High School Staff.

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

**Authorization for Agreement with Western Suffolk BOCES Aides and Food Service Workers Unit XII [R]**

On motion by Mr. Sales moved and Mrs. Cunningham, the Board voted unanimously Authorization for Agreement with Western Suffolk BOCES Aides and Food Service Workers Unit XII as follows:

RESOLUTION authorizing the President of the Board of Education to execute an agreement between Unit XII, and the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, Second Supervisory District, Suffolk County;

WHEREAS, a need has arisen in regard to granting back pay to two Unit XII members (17605 and 14861)

WHEREAS, the parties have discussed the terms of said agreement between Western Suffolk BOCES and the unit, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Chief Operating Officer be authorized to execute the agreement between the Board of Cooperative Education Services, and Western Suffolk BOCES Aides and Food Service Workers, Unit XII , with regard to this matter as set forth on the Memorandum of Agreement.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.2.7 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

**Resolution for Notice of Vacated Positions [R]**

On motion by Mr. Sales moved and Mrs. Cunningham, the Board voted unanimously for Resolution for Notice of Vacated Positions as follows:

RESOLVED, that the following positions are declared vacated due to an employee's untimely death:

<u>Employee</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Employee # 02006	Unit 1 Special Education Teacher	11/17/23
Employee # 02111	Unit 12 Paraprofessional	11/26/23

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.2.8 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 Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Santos 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.)

#### **Authorization for Affiliation Agreement with Mercy College School of Education [R]**

On motion of Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Santos

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 to be effective December 12, 2023.

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

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Chief Operating Officer of Western Suffolk BOCES is hereby authorized to execute the necessary agreement to be effective December 12, 2023.

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

**Authorization to Accept a Donation of Equipment and Supplies [R]**

On motion of Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Santos, the Board voted unanimously for Authorization to Accept a Donation of Equipment and Supplies as follows:

WHEREAS, Western Suffolk BOCES has received an offer from Suffolk County Community College, Central Administration, 533 College Road, Selden, NY 11784-2899 to donate one (1) 2015 Cadillac Escalade, Vin Number 1GYS4HKJ2FR277832 to be used by the students attending the Automotive Tech Program at Wilson Tech, Dix Hills Campus, and

#5122.1 - Policy Against Workplace Sexual Harassment.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 10.2 and is incorporated in the official minutes of this meeting.)

**Read and Adopt Read Policy #6212 - Corporal Punishment - Prohibition of Corporal Punishment, Aversive Interventions, and Seclusion and the Limited Use of Timeout and Physical Restraint**

On motion of Mrs. Santos, seconded by Mrs. Cunningham, the Board voted unanimously to adopt Policy #6212 - Corporal Punishment - Prohibition of Corporal Punishment, Aversive Interventions, and Seclusion and the Limited Use of Timeout and Physical Restraint.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 10.3 and is incorporated in the official minutes of this meeting.)

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ADJOURNMENT**

At 7:44 p.m. there being no further business items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned on motion by Mr. Wunsch and seconded by Mr. Sales.

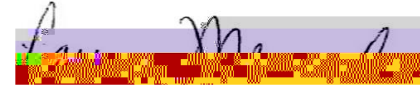
**UPCOMING EVENTS**

<b>DATE</b>	<b>EVENT</b>	<b>ATTENDEES</b>
1/25/24	N-SSBA/NCCSS/SCSSA Joint Conference, Thursday, 6:00 pm, Huntington Hilton	
3/18/24	SCOPE's 23 <sup>rd</sup> Annual School District Awards Dinner, Monday, 4:30 pm, Villa Lombardi's, Holbrook, NY	
4/6/24 - 4/8/24	National School Boards Association Convention, Sat. –Mon., New Orleans, LA	B. Sales

**Enclosures:**

NYSSBA Update, *November 19, 2023*

EAP Pathways, *December 2023*  
EAP Pathways for Supervisors, *December 2023*

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Laura Mercorelli', is written over a horizontal bar. The bar has a purple top section and a bottom section with a red and yellow checkered pattern.

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Laura Mercorelli  
Deputy Clerk