

ANNUAL REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION
July 11, 2023 – West Islip High School

PRESENT: Mr. Tussie, Mr. Antonello, Mr. Bedell, Mrs. Brown, Ms. Kelly, Mrs. Marks, Mr. McCann

ABSENT: None

ADMINISTRATORS: Dr. Romanelli, Mrs. Pellati, Mrs. Morrison, Mr. Cameron

ABSENT: None

ATTORNEY: Mr. Vigliotta

Meeting was called to order at 7:31 p.m. followed by the Pledge.

The Constitutional Oath of Office was administered by Attorney Michael Vigliotta to newly elected trustees, Anthony Tussie and Quinn Bedell.

Mr. Tussie opened the floor for nominations for President of the Board of Education for the 2023-2024 school year. Richard Antonello nominated Anthony Tussie for President and Mrs. Brown seconded the nomination there were no other nominations. In favor were Mr. Antonello, Mr. Bedell, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Kelly, Mrs. Marks, and Mr. McCann. No one was opposed. Mr. Tussie abstained. Motion passed 6-0.

Mr. Antonello nominated Mr. McCann for Vice President of the Board of Education for the 2023-2024 school year. Mrs. Brown seconded the nomination. In favor were Mr. Tussie, Mr. Antonello, Mrs. Kelly, Mrs. Marks, and Mr. McCann. Mr. McCann abstained. Motion passed 6-0.

The Constitutional Oath of Office was administered by Attorney Michael Vigliotta to President Tussie.

Mr. Tussie expressed his appreciation and gratitude for the nomination.

The Constitutional Oath of Office was administered by Attorney Michael Vigliotta to Vice President McCann.

Requests for membership on the Board Committees/Liaisons were distributed to trustees; Mr. Tussie advised that the Board would discuss the Board Committees/Liaison positions based on wants and needs and finalize the positions at the next meeting.

Building Inspections:

Bayview	Beach Street Middle School
Manetuck	West Islip High School
Oquenock	Westbrook
Paul J. Bellew	

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve appointment of Mary Hock as District Clerk, Maureen O'Connor (alternate) for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve appointment of Deborah Falcon as District Treasurer and Mary Hock as Deputy Treasurer for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve appointment of Board of Registration for the 2023-2024 school year as follows: Anne Kuhlwillm; alternates - Rhonda Rauch, Rosemary Dowling.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to set amount of Treasurer's Bond at \$1,000,000.00 for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to set amount of Claims Auditor's Bond at \$1,000,000.00 for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve appointment of Patricia Plompen as Claims Auditor for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve appointment of Robert Nocella as Purchasing Agent for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve appointment of Christine Kearney as Deputy Purchasing Agent for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve appointment of Maureen O'Connor as Records Access Officer for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve appointment of New York State Insurance Reciprocal as insurance carrier for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve appointment of Volz & Vigliotta, PLLC as Attorney/Legal Officer for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve appointment of Chief/School Physicians for the 2023-2024 school year as follows:

L. Atkinson, RPA; Dr. Jules Cohen; Dr. Costa Constantatos; Dr. Sarita Duchatelier and Dr. Keith Chu Cheong, Pediatric Neurology; Yvette Feis, PhD, Neuropsychologist; Dr. Eugene Gerardi; Dr. Richard Gold; Dr. Joseph Grillo, Chief School Physician; Island Gastroenterology Consultants, P.C; Dr. Roger Keresztes; Dr. Jack Marzec; Dr. Brian McHugh; Dr. Jennifer Mingione, Internal Medicine; Dr. Jorge Montes; Dr. Tracy Onal; Dr. Gregory Puglisi; Dr. Leonard Savino; Dr. Phil Schrank; Amna Sher, MD; Dr. Robert A. Smolarz; South Shore Neurologic Associates; Joseph Tommasino, RPA; Dr. Ira Woletsky (Pediatrician); Emergency Medical Technician Coverage for Athletic Events: Robert Mallimo, John Mileski, Steven Mirrone, Richard Naeder, Sean O'Hora, Kristine Ostrem, Robert Mallimo, Jr., Matthew Mallimo.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve Newspapers Designated to Carry Legal Notices for the 2023-2024 school year as follows: Babylon Beacon, Islip Bulletin and Newsday.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve Depositories Designated for the 2023-2024 school year as follows: J.P. Morgan Chase, HSBC, NYCLASS, Empire National Bank, People's United Bank, N.A., Webster Bank.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve appointment of Committee on Special Education and Committee on Pre-School Special Education/Alternates/Secretaries for the 2023-2024 school year (list included in supplemental file).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve appointment of District Team – New Compact for Learning for the 2023-2024 school year as follows: Luann Dunne, Teamsters Local 237 Clerical; Elena Barton PTA-Elementary; Tara Howe PTA-Middle School; Patricia McCabe PTA-High School; Student Senate Representative, WIHS Student; Student Senate Representative, WIHS Student; Dr. Paul Romanelli, Superintendent; Rhonda Pratt, WIASA – Elementary; Andrew O’Farrell, WIASA – Middle School; David Rubano, WIASA – High School; Karen Desz, WITA – Elementary; Michele Holt, WITA – Middle School; Joseph Dixon, WITA – High School.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve appointment of Health and Wellness Alliance Committee Members for the 2023-2024 school year as follows: Lauren Albanese, Debbie Brown, Julie Cannistra, Angie Carpenter, Dr. Anthony Carrino, Marcelle Crudele, Lisamarie Curley, Christina Elefante, Monica Fogerty, Erin Harris, Tim Horan, Tara Howe, Grace Kelly-Peleg, Sharon Kerrigan, RN, Meghan Schou, Shanan Mauro, Peter McCann, Tricia Mileti, Dawn Morrison, John Mullins, Camille Newsom, Nicole Perperis, Rhonda Pratt, Lee-Ann Puccia, RN, Dave Rubano, Carrie Russo, Diana Sepe, Marc Soto - YES, Melanie Steinweis, Ariana Stubbman, Lynn Summers, Barbara Vouris – YES. Dr. Joseph Grillo & Dr. Gregory Puglisi – Chief School Physicians.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve adoption of the following resolution and appointment of Impartial Hearing Officers for the 2023-2024 school year: WHEREAS, the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education, Pursuant to Sections 207, 3214, 4403, 4404 and 4410 of the Education Law, Part 200, amended January 2007, Section 200.2(e) states that “the Board of Education or trustees of each school district shall establish a list of: (1) The names and statement of the qualifications of each impartial hearing officer who is: (i) certified by the Commissioner of Education pursuant to section 200.1(x)(2) of this Part and; (ii) available to serve in the district in hearings conducted pursuant to Education Law section 4404(1). Appointment of impartial hearing officers pursuant to Education Law section 4404(1) shall be made only from such list and in accordance with the rotation selection process prescribed herein and the timelines and procedures in section 200.5(j) of this Part. Such names will be listed in alphabetical order. Selection from such list shall be made on a rotational basis beginning with the first name appearing after the impartial hearing officer who last served or, in the event no impartial hearing officer on the list has served, beginning with the first name appearing on such list. Should that impartial hearing officer decline appointment, or if, within 24 hours, the impartial hearing officer fails to respond or is unreachable after reasonable efforts by the district that are documented and can be independently verified, each successive impartial hearing officer whose name next appears on the list, shall be offered appointment, until such appointment is accepted. The name of any newly certified impartial hearing officer who is available to serve in the district shall be inserted into the list in alphabetical order (list included in supplemental file).”

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve appointment Hearing Officer for Superintendent’s Hearings 2023-2024: George Christopher Marzuk.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve appointment of Lisa DiSibio as Data Protection Officer for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve Dates/building sites for the 2023-2024 Regular and Planning Session meetings of the West Islip Board of Education (list included in supplemental file).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve date/time for 2024 West Islip High School Commencement Exercises – Wednesday, June 26, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve adoption of resolution re: District’s participation in ECIA Title I Program and other

federal programs for 2023-2024 and authorization for the Superintendent to apply for all federal funds for the 2023-2024 school year (resolution in supplemental file).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve adoption of resolution re: designation of Superintendent to determine entitlement for attendance of the schools of the district (resolution in supplemental file).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve adoption of resolution re: certification of qualified Lead Evaluators of teachers and building principals having successfully completed the training requirements (resolution in supplemental file).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve adoption of resolution re: certification of qualified Lead Evaluators and evaluators of teachers having successfully completed the training requirements (resolution in supplemental file).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve adoption of resolution re: certification of coordinators in accordance with the requirements of the Dignity for All Students Act (resolution in supplemental file).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve adoption of resolution re: Chief Emergency Officer (resolution in supplemental file).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve appointment of James Cameron as Title IX Compliance Officer for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve appointment of Instructional Review Committee for the 2023-2024 school year as follows: Dawn Morrison, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; Andrew O'Farrell, Secondary Principal; Rhonda Pratt, Elementary Principal; To be named as appropriate, Program Director; Kristyna Acerno, Library-Media Specialist; Tina Schaefer, Secondary Teacher; Christina Kruer, Elementary Teacher; TBD, Community Member.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve appointment of Maureen O'Connor and Mary Hock (alternate) as person authorized to accept service re: subpoenas, lawsuits, etc. for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve appointment of Board of Education as Audit Committee for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve appointment of Cullen & Danowski, LLP as Internal Auditor.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve appointment of R.S. Abrams & Co., LLP as District Auditor for the 2023-2024 school year.

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve Cell Phone Usage as per Board Policy 5570 (list included in supplemental file).

Motion was made by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann, and carried when all Board members present voted in favor to approve adoption of the following resolution re: empowering Board President to authorize member attendance at conferences, workshops, conventions, etc. {Board Policy No. 2320}:

BE IT RESOLVED *that the Board of Education of the West Islip UFSD designates the President of the Board of Education to authorize Board of Education member attendance at conferences, conventions, workshops, etc. for the 2023-2024 school year.*

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m. on motion by Richard Antonello, seconded by Peter McCann and carried when all Board members present voted in favor.