

# AGENDA



## BOARD OF EDUCATION

August 17, 2023

West Islip High School  
One Lions Path  
7:30 p.m.

Submitted by:  
Dr. Paul Romanelli  
*Superintendent of Schools*

**A G E N D A**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**  
**August 17, 2023**  
**REVISED**

*West Islip High School*

*West Islip, New York*

- I. **CALL TO ORDER**
- II. **QUORUM COUNT**
- III. **ANNOUNCEMENTS**
  - A) District Safety Plan
  - B) Policies

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|----------------------|----------|---|
| <i>First Reading</i> | No. 3411 | Unlawful Possession of a Weapon Upon School Grounds |
| <i>First Reading</i> | No. 7360 | Weapons in School                                   |
  - C) **District Accountability Status**
- IV. **INVITATION TO PUBLIC** - *The public is invited to speak on any agenda item. Community members will be recognized from the signature cards {name and contact information required}. This will be limited to 20 minutes in total and will continue only as long as it is conducted in an orderly fashion. Signature cards must be submitted at the opening of the meeting. Each person or representative of a group will be limited to three minutes.*
- V. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** A motion is needed to approve the minutes of the July 11, 2023 Annual Reorganizational Meeting and the July 11, 2023 Regular Meeting.
- VI. **PERSONNEL**
- VII. **CURRICULUM UPDATE**
- VIII. **REPORT OF BOARD COMMITTEES**
  - A) Education Committee {8/16/2023}
  - B) Finance Committee {8/16/2023}
  - C) Buildings & Grounds Committee {8/16/2023}
- IX. **BUSINESS ITEMS**
  - A) Approval of Budget Transfers
  - B) Approval of Contracts
    1. Complete Rehabilitation PT, OT, SLP of the Hamptons, PLLC Consultant Services 2023-2024
    2. Health Source Group, Inc., (HSG) Consultant Services 2023-2024
    3. Home Care Therapies, LLC, d/b/a Horizon Healthcare Staffing Consultant Services 2023-2024
    4. East Moriches UFSD Instructional Services July 1, 2023 – August 31, 2023
  - C) Approval of Surplus
    1. Pan Rack – Udall Road Middle School
    2. Miscellaneous items – Beach Street Middle School
    3. 8 Door Pass Through Refrigerator-Udall Road Middle School and Teacher Desk-High School
    4. Miscellaneous I.T. items – High School, Beach Street Middle School, Udall Road Middle School, Bayview Elementary School, Paul J. Bellevue Elementary School and District Office
  - D) Approval of Resolutions
    1. Tax Levy 2023-2024
    2. Proposed School Lunch Prices 2023-2024 – Elementary - \$2.50 and Secondary - \$3.00

**X. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

- A) Approval of After School Kids Under Supervision, Inc. Fifth Amendment to Lease Agreement
- B) Approval of Final Contract for Eastern Suffolk BOCES Cooperative Educational Services 2022-2023
- C) Approval of Stipulation of Settlement and Release Student A.
- D) Approval of Memorandum of Agreement re: West Islip Paraprofessionals Chapter of WITA Negotiated Agreement
- E) Appointment of Board Committees/Liaisons 2023-2024
- F) Resolved the Board of Education hereby approves a settlement agreement dated July 19, 2023 in connection with PERB case No. U-37253, and authorizes the Board President to execute it on behalf of the District

**XI. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT**

**XII. NOTICES/REMINDERS**

**XIII. OTHER ITEMS FOR BOARD MEMBERS INFORMATION**

- XIV. **INVITATION TO PUBLIC** – *The public, at this time, is invited to bring before the Board any questions/concerns. Community members will be recognized from the signature cards {name and contact information required}. This will be limited to 20 minutes in total and will continue only as long as it is conducted in an orderly fashion. Signature cards must be submitted by the time the first speaker is called to the podium. Each person or representative of a group will be limited to three minutes.*
- XV. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** – *After a ten-minute break, the Board of Education will adjourn to discuss personnel, negotiations, and litigation. At the conclusion of Executive Session, the Board will reconvene to public session to consider any items for which a vote is required.*
- XVI. **CLOSING** – Adjournment

**PERSONNEL:**

Consider recommendations of the Superintendent of Schools on the following items:

**TEACHERS**

**T-1                    PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT**

Erin Gorey-Gonzales, Elementary  
Effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027  
(Oquenock; Step 4<sup>+</sup>, new position)

Taylor Troyano Gonzalez, Elementary  
Effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027  
(Bavview; Step 4<sup>+</sup>, new position)

Christie Rendino-Cusanelli, Special Education  
Effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027  
(Manetuck; Step 1A<sup>+</sup>, new position)

Karen Borst, Mathematics  
Effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027  
(*Udall*; Step 7<sup>+</sup>, replacing James Como {retired})

*Victoria Jablonski, Mathematics*  
*Effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027*  
*(Beach; Step 7<sup>+</sup>, replacing Brittany Probst {reassigned})*

*In order to be granted tenure a classroom teacher or building principal shall have received composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Education Law § 3012-d of either effective or highly effective in at least three of the four preceding years and if a classroom teacher or building principal receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period he or she shall not be eligible for tenure at that time.*

**T-2                    REGULAR SUBSTITUTE RESIGNATION**

Christie Rendino-Cusanelli, Special Education  
Effective September 1, 2023  
(Manetuck)

**T-3                    REGULAR SUBSTITUTE**

Alyssa Bertolino, Elementary  
Effective September 1, 2023 through January 1, 2024  
(Manetuck, Step 1A<sup>+</sup>; replacing Jodie Ableson-Sommer {LOA})

Gianna Capanelli, Special Education  
Effective September 1, 2023 through June 30, 2024  
(Manetuck; Step 1A<sup>+</sup>; replacing Amanda Felix-Milks {LOA})

*Alessia Tocco, Family and Consumer Science*  
*Effective September 1, 2023 through December 4, 2023*  
*(Beach & High School; Step 0.5<sup>+</sup>, replacing Janine Lalia {resigned})*

TEACHERS, continued

**T-4**                      **PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT (AMENDED)**

*Kristen Bergin, Elementary*  
Effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027  
(Bayview; change in Step from Step 1A<sup>3</sup> to Step 1A<sup>2</sup>)

*Alessia Tocco, Family and Consumer Science*  
Effective September 1, 2023 through August 30, 2027  
(Beach & High School; amended to regular substitute)

**TEACHING ASSISTANTS**

**TA-1**                      **PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT**

Kathleen Slayback, Special Education  
Effective September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2023  
(Beach; Step 1; new position)

Jillian Ruffo, Special Education  
Effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024  
(Manetuck; Step 5; new position)

Maria Pascarella, Special Education  
Effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024  
(Manetuck; Step 5; replacing Kathryn Ginty {resigned})

Kaitlin Graff, Special Education  
Effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024  
(Udall; Step 5; replacing Colette Davies {resigned})

\*Jenelle Moran, Special Education  
Effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024  
(Oquenock; Step 1; replacing Christie Rendino {resigned})

Liam McGarvey, STEM  
Effective September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2024  
(Paul J Bellew; Step 1; replacing Mollie Healey {resigned})

*\*Conditional pending certification*

**TA-2**                      **RESIGNATION**

Kimberly Creitz, Pre-K  
Effective July 1, 2023  
(Paul J Bellew)

Katherine Keller, Computer  
Effective July 31, 2023  
(High School)

CIVIL SERVICE

CL-1

CHANGE IN TITLE

Charlene DiCicco, Special Education Aide  
Effective September 1, 2023  
(Beach Street; Step 2; change from Cafeteria Aide; new position)

Jennifer Fortune, Building Aide  
Effective September 1, 2023  
(Paul J. Bellew; Step 9; change from Library Aide; new position)

*Lori Grimaldi, Health Office Aide  
Effective September 1, 2023  
(Oquenock; Step 6; change from Cafeteria Aide; replacing Cara Wenk {Senior  
Office Assistant})*

Julie Holub, Teacher Aide  
Effective September 1, 2023  
(Paul J. Bellew; Step 5; change from Cafeteria Aide; replacing Ryan O'Connell  
{resigned})

Kate Klarikaitis, Special Education Aide  
Effective September 1, 2023  
(Beach Street; Step 2; change from Cafeteria Aide; replacing Diana Harkin {resigned})

Danielle Pozzini, Special Education Aide  
Effective September 1, 2023  
(Manetuck; Step 2; change from Cafeteria Aide; replacing Kayla DiMino {resigned})

Christina Robiglio, Building Aide  
Effective September 1, 2023  
(Manetuck; Step 2; change from Cafeteria Aide; new position)

Barbara Tricoukes, Building Aide  
Effective September 1, 2023  
(Paul J. Bellew; Step 7; change from Cafeteria Aide; replacing Christine Mott  
{reassigned})

CL-2

LEAVE OF ABSENCE, unpaid

Jean Dunau, School Nurse  
Effective October 2, 2023 through June 26, 2024  
(Bridges Academy)

CL-3

PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT

Pyper Ahrens, Special Education Aide  
Effective September 1, 2023  
(Manetuck; Step 1; new position)

Samantha Barnes, Cafeteria Aide  
Effective September 1, 2023  
(Paul J. Bellew; Step 1; replacing Julie Holub {reassigned})

CIVIL SERVICE, continued

**CL-3**                    **PROBATIONARY APPOINTMENT, continued**

\*Sabina Collins, Special Education Aide  
Effective September 1, 2023  
(Manetuck; Step 1; new position)

*Danielle Gottlieb, School Nurse*  
*Effective September 18, 2023*  
*(Paul J Bellew; Step 1; replacing Melanie Jo Earl {resigned})*

Katherine Keller, Network & Systems Technician  
Effective August 1, 2023  
(District Wide; \$55,000; new position)

Rosemarie Maggio, Special Education Aide  
Effective September 1, 2023  
(Beach Street; Step 1; replacing Kathleen Slayback {reassigned})

*Amanda Neilson, Bus Attendant*  
*Effective September 1, 2023*  
*(Transportation; Step 2; replacing Sue DiGrigoli {retired})*

Wendy Parks, Special Education Aide  
Effective September 1, 2023  
(Paul J. Bellew; Step 1; new position)

\*Erin Scileppi, Special Education Aide  
Effective September 1, 2023  
(Beach Street; Step 1; replacing Nancy Corso {resigned})

Theresa Smith, Cafeteria Aide  
Effective September 1, 2023  
(Paul J. Bellew; Step 1; replacing Barbara Tricoukes {reassigned})

Cara Wenk, Senior Office Assistant  
Effective August 29, 2023  
(District Office; Step 1; replacing Carol Churpita {resigned})

**CL-4**                    **RESIGNATION**

Margaret Cioffi, Health Aide  
Effective August 7, 2023  
(Paul J. Bellew)

Nancy Corso, Special Education Aide  
Effective July 27, 2023  
(Paul J. Bellew)

Kayla DiMino, Special Education Aide  
Effective August 18, 2023  
(Manetuck)

*\*Conditional pending fingerprinting clearance*

CIVIL SERVICE, continued

**CL-4**                    **RESIGNATION, continued**

Melanie Jo Earl, School Nurse  
Effective July 12, 2023  
(Paul J. Bellew)

Matthew Ferro, Substitute Custodian  
Effective August 18, 2023  
(District Wide)

Katherine Griesmeyer, Part-Time Food Service Worker  
Effective July 12, 2023  
(Paul J. Bellew)

Diana Harkin, Special Education Aide  
Effective August 2, 2023  
(Beach Street)

Kimberly Kochler, Part-Time Food Service Worker  
Effective August 7, 2023  
(High School)

Madison Mills, Special Education Aide  
Effective August 9, 2023  
(High School)

Ashleigh Nieves, Part-Time Food Service Worker  
Effective July 17, 2023  
(Beach Street)

Belinda Rios, Senior Office Assistant  
Effective August 11, 2023  
(Udall)

Kathleen Slayback, Special Education Aide  
Effective August 14, 2023  
(Beach Street)

Cara Wenk, Health Office Aide  
Effective August 1, 2023  
(Oquenock)

**CL-5**                    **RETIREMENT**

Warren Seaman *III*, Custodial Worker II  
Effective August 19, 2023  
(43.57 years)

**CL-6**                    **SUBSTITUTE CLERICAL** (\$15.00/hr)

\*Patricia Denninger, effective August 18, 2023

*\*Conditional pending fingerprinting clearance*



CIVIL SERVICE, continued

CL-7                    SUBSTITUTE CUSTODIAN (\$15.00/hr)

Kate Klarikaitis, effective August 18, 2023

CL-8                    SUBSTITUTE PARAPROFESSIONAL (\$15.00/hr)

Nancy Corso, effective September 1, 2023

Irene Curto, effective September 1, 2023

*Linda Kennedy, effective September 1, 2023*

Carla LaBombard, effective September 1, 2023

OTHER

PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE TEACHER (\$150 per diem)

~~Gina Casso, Bayview Elementary~~

~~Effective September 1, 2023~~

Emily Gillen, Bayview Elementary

Effective September 1, 2023 *through June 26, 2024*

Craig Perrino, Beach Street

Effective September 1, 2023 *through June 26, 2024*

Jordan Slobodow, Manetuck Elementary

Effective September 1, 2023 *through June 26, 2024*

PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE TEACHER RESIGNATION

Kristen Bergin, Bayview

Effective June 24, 2023

Paige Gillespie, Bayview

Effective June 24, 2023

Destiny Parsons, Beach Street

Effective June 24, 2023

PREFERRED SUBSTITUTE RESIGNATION

Darren Shekailo

Effective July 1, 2023

PREFERRED SUBSTITUTE

Jake Rossi

Effective September 1, 2023

(High School; \$175.27/day; replacing Darren Shekailo {resigned})

OTHER, continued

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER (\$130 per diem)

\*Samantha Lovizio, effective August 28, 2023, *student teacher*

Destiny Parsons, effective September 1, 2023

*\*Conditional pending fingerprinting clearance*

SPECIAL EDUCATION – ESY RELATED SERVICE PROVIDERS  
SUMMER 2023

Teacher

Lindsay Simonton

Nurse

Karen Arigoni

SUMMER SCHOOL 2023

Mary Claire Yoder, English

FALL 2023 MIDDLE SCHOOL COACHES

FIELD HOCKEY

Hailey Fiordiliso, 7-8 Beach Coach

BOYS SOCCER

Louis Riley, 7-8 Udall Coach

SUMMER RECREATION CAMP 2023 (AMENDED)

Kyle Alicea, Camp Counselor

(change in name from Kyle Shierant to Kyle Alicea)

HOMEBOUND INSTRUCTION COORDINATOR 2023-2024

James Grover

ADULT EDUCATION INSTRUCTORS FALL 2023

Alexandra Bergin (Zumba) \$45/hr

Lenny Butler (Community CPR/First Aid) \$35/hr

Jake Caramico (How Money Works) no cost to West Islip

Kim Crichton (Yoga, Stretch, Body Sculpt) \$45/hr

James Grover (Basketball) \$45/hr

Matthew Haszinger (Volleyball) \$45/hr

Phyllis Hintze (Ballroom Dancing) \$35/hr

Caylee Klimuszko (Lifeguard) \$25/hr

Evan Levy (Social Security Planning) no cost to West Islip

Bruce Lieberman (Defensive Driving) no cost to West Islip

Jane Loehle (Aquacise) \$45/hr

Kaitlin Murphy (Lifeguard) \$25/hr

Kathryn Mushorn (Lifeguard) \$25/hr

Corey Sasone (Lifeguard) \$25/hr

Nizza Tasayco (Volleyball) \$45/hr

Richard Tesoro (About Boat Safety) no cost to West Islip

Robert Watts (Introduction to Guitar/Piano) \$40/hr

OTHER, continued

ALTERNATIVE SCHOOL INSTRUCTORS 2023-2024

|                                     |                     |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------|
| Jill Culver, Art                    | 1 section/full year |
| Evelyn Hanlon, Counseling           | 1 section/full year |
| Ryan Vollmuth, Counseling           | 1 section/full year |
| Dina Barone, English                | 1 section/full year |
| Heather Enright, English            | 1 section/full year |
| Dawn Divisconti, English            | 1 section/full year |
| Anthony Yuli, Health                | 1 section/full year |
| Christina Bivona, Math              | 1 section/full year |
| Kelly Weisenseel, Math              | 1 section/full year |
| Brian Cameron, Physical Education   | 1 section/full year |
| Joseph Nicolosi, Physical Education | 1 section/full year |
| Rebecca Silv, Psychology            | 1 section/full year |
| Robyn Southard, Psychology          | 1 section/full year |
| Brian Daniels, Science              | 1 section/full year |
| Kristie Ferruzzi, Science           | 1 section/full year |
| Michael Hazelton, Social Studies    | 1 section/full year |
| Edward Jablonski, Social Studies    | 1 section/full year |
| Eric Rao, Social Studies            | 1 section/full year |
| Dennis Montalto, Special Education  | 1 section/full year |

**WI**

**West Islip Public Schools**

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***PUBLIC NOTICE***

***REVISED***

The WEST ISLIP UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT Board of Education at its Reorganizational Meeting held on July 11, 2023, set the following dates for its **2023-2024 Regular Meetings and Planning Sessions** which have been scheduled for 7:30 p.m. {unless noted}, at the locations listed below:

**SCHEDULED DAY/DATE OF REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETINGS:**

| <b><u>DATE</u></b>                  | <b><u>LOCATION</u></b>                |
|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Tuesday, July 11, 2023 <sup>1</sup> | West Islip High School Auditorium     |
| Thursday, August 17, 2023           | West Islip High School Auditorium     |
| Thursday, September 7, 2023         | West Islip High School Auditorium     |
| Thursday, October 5, 2023           | Beach Street Middle School Auditorium |
| Thursday, November 2, 2023          | Beach Street Middle School Auditorium |
| Thursday, December 7, 2023          | Beach Street Middle School Auditorium |
| Thursday, January 4, 2024           | Beach Street Middle School Auditorium |
| Thursday, February 8, 2024          | Beach Street Middle School Auditorium |
| Wednesday, March 13, 2024           | Beach Street Middle School Auditorium |
| Tuesday, April 16, 2024             | Beach Street Middle School Auditorium |
| Thursday, May 9, 2024               | Beach Street Middle School Auditorium |
| Thursday, June 6, 2024              | West Islip High School Auditorium     |

<sup>1</sup>Meeting will immediately follow the Reorganizational Meeting

**SCHEDULED DAY/DATE OF MONTHLY PLANNING SESSIONS**

| <b><u>DATE</u></b>              | <b><u>LOCATION</u></b>                         |
|---------------------------------|--|
| <b>Tuesday, August 29, 2023</b> | <b>Beach Street Middle School Media Center</b> |
| Tuesday, September 19, 2023     | Beach Street Middle School Media Center        |
| Tuesday, October 17, 2023       | Beach Street Middle School Media Center        |
| Tuesday, November 14, 2023      | Beach Street Middle School Media Center        |
| Tuesday, January 23, 2024       | Beach Street Middle School Media Center        |
| *Tuesday, February 27, 2024     | Beach Street Middle School Media Center        |
| **Tuesday, March 26, 2024       | Beach Street Middle School Media Center        |
| Wednesday, May 22, 2024         | Beach Street Middle School Media Center        |
| Tuesday, June 18, 2024          | Beach Street Middle School Media Center        |

\* Planning Session will immediately follow Budget Worksession #1

\*\* Planning Session will immediately follow Budget Worksession #3

/s/ \_\_\_\_\_ **Mary Hock**  
District Clerk

*Dated: August 17, 2023*

*Meeting dates, times and locations are subject to change. Visit the website [www.wi.k12.ny.us](http://www.wi.k12.ny.us) for up-to-date information.*

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### **PUBLIC NOTICE** **REVISED**

The WEST ISLIP UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT Board of Education has scheduled the following meetings of the Education Committee, Finance Committee, and Buildings and Grounds Committee for the 2023-2024 school year. Meetings will be held in the Beach Street Media Center.

|                    |   |  |
|--------------------|---|--|
| August 16, 2023    | 6:30 p.m.   | Education Committee followed by Finance Committee and Buildings and Grounds Committee                                  |
| August 29, 2023    | 6:30 p.m.   | Education Committee followed by Finance Committee and <b>Buildings and Grounds Committee</b>                           |
| September 19, 2023 | 7:00 p.m.   | <b>Buildings and Grounds Committee</b> prior to Planning Session   |
| October 3, 2023    | 6:30 p.m.   | Education Committee followed by Finance Committee  |
| October 17, 2023   | 7:00 p.m.   | <b>Buildings and Grounds Committee</b> prior to Planning Session   |
| November 1, 2023   | 6:30 p.m.   | Education Committee followed by Finance Committee and Policy Committee   |
| November 14, 2023  | 7:00 p.m.   | <b>Buildings and Grounds Committee</b> prior to Planning Session   |
| November 28, 2023  | 6:30 p.m.   | Education Committee followed by Finance Committee  |
| January 2, 2024    | 6:30 p.m.   | Education Committee followed by Finance Committee and Building and Grounds Committee                                   |
| January 23, 2024   | 7:00 p.m.   | <b>Buildings and Grounds Committee</b> prior to Planning Session   |
| February 6, 2024   | 6:30 p.m.   | Education Committee followed by Finance Committee and Policy Committee   |
| February 27, 2024  | 6:30 p.m.   | <b>Buildings and Grounds Committee</b> (prior to Budget Worksession #1 to be immediately followed by Planning Session) |
| March 12, 2024     | *immediately following Budget Worksession #2 which begins @ 6:30 pm | Education Committee followed by Finance Committee and Policy Committee   |
| March 26, 2024     | 6:30 p.m.   | <b>Buildings and Grounds Committee</b> (prior to Budget Worksession #3 to be immediately followed by Planning Session) |
| April 11, 2024     | *immediately following Budget Worksession #4 which begins @ 6:30 pm | Education Committee followed by Finance Committee and Policy Committee   |
| May 7, 2024        | *immediately following Budget Hearing which begins @ 6:30 pm        | Education Committee followed by Finance Committee and Buildings and Grounds Committee                                  |
| May 22, 2024       | 7:00 p.m.   | <b>Buildings and Grounds Committee</b> prior to Planning Session   |
| June 4, 2024       | 6:30 p.m.   | Education Committee followed by Finance Committee and Policy Committee   |
| June 18, 2024      | 7:00 p.m.   | <b>Buildings and Grounds Committee</b> prior to Planning Session   |

/s/ Mary Hock  
District Clerk

Dated: August 17, 2023

Meeting location, date and time is subject to change. Visit the website [www.wi.k12.ny.us](http://www.wi.k12.ny.us) for up-to-date information.