



March 12, 2024

Meeting Type: Regular Meeting

Date: Tuesday, March 12, 2024

Start Time: 5:30 p.m.

Location: Central Administrative Office

Roll Call – (Attendees Noted by District Clerk)

Present were:

- Ilene Herz, Esq. (President)
- Brian J. Sales (Vice President)
- Debbie Adams-Kaden
- Mary Ellen Cunningham
- Jeannette Santos
- Peter Wunsch

BOCES Staff

- Michael Flynn (Chief Operating Officer)
- April Poprilo (District Superintendent)
- Warren Taylor (Chief Financial Officer)
- Dr. Hugh Gigante (Exec. Dir. – Personnel)
- Joanne Klein (District Clerk)
- Nancy Kelsey (Exec. Dir. Career and Tech. Education)
- Nancy Wilson (Exec. Dir. - Special Education)
- Nancy Fischetti (Public Relations Director)

- Lorraine Hein (Director of Business)
- Staff Members

Call to Order (Board President)

The Regular Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Board President, Mrs. Herz.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At this time a motion to move into Executive Session to discuss the performance of three particular employees, ongoing negotiations Unit V, Unit V grievance and a potential litigation was made by Mr. Sales, seconded by Mrs. Adams-Kaden. At 7:03 p.m. the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn Executive Session and move into the Regular Meeting on motion made by Mr. Sales, seconded by Mrs. Adams-Kaden.

REGULAR MEETING/Pledge of Allegiance (Board Vice President)

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 – February 13, 2024

The minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 13, 2024 were approved unanimously on motion by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Cunningham.

Program Presentation

Internal Audit Report to the Board – Draft “Applying Agreed Upon Procedures” Report

The Audit Committee Meeting was held and Internal Auditors Richard Vitulli and Darin Iacobelli of Nawrocki Smith presented the draft “Applying Agreed Upon Procedures Report” to the Audit Committee.

Mr. Vitulli and Mr. Iacobelli discussed the report regarding testing of the Internal Controls of the Safety and Security Cycle and noted that the request includes four observations/recommendations. It was recommended the Board accept the report. Recommendations have been made and the Corrective Action Plan has been put together.

Proposed 2024-25 Budget

Mr. Flynn gave a presentation regarding the proposed Administrative and Capital Charges for the 2024-25 school year. The WS BOCES component school districts will vote on the Administrative Budget as well as voting for three candidates seeking election to the WS BOCES Board of Education. The Administrative Charge will increase by 2.72%. Mr. Flynn discussed the factors behind the budget increase.

Wilson Tech Advisory Council Report to the Board

Mr. Kelly, Chairperson of the Advisory Council was unable to attend this meeting.

Mrs. Nancy Kelsey summarized and reported to the Board regarding the Wilson Tech Advisory Council Report.

Treasurer's Report

The Board acknowledged receipt of the Treasurer's Report indicating balances in the various financial accounts as of January 31, 2024. (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 February 2, 2024 to March 1, 2024 for expenditures totaling \$13,374,323.30. (Copies incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS

District Superintendent – Comments/Events

Mrs. Poprilo reported to the Board and discussed the following topics:

- NYSED Updates
- Board of Regents – My Brother's Keeper
- Annual Correspondence from Commissioner Rosa
- Zero Emission Busing – District Readiness Survey
- Continuing Education Offerings
- Student Forum – Elevating Student Voice – February 29, 2024.

Chief Operating Officer Report – Comments/Events

Mr. Flynn welcomed all in attendance at the meeting. Mr. Flynn discussed the following items:

- Nominations to the WS BOCES Board of Education
- NYSEDA School District Survey Regarding Electrical Needs for Electric School Buses

- Workplace Violence and Prevention Act
- Fire Science Program.

Chief Financial Officer – Update of Capital Projects

Mr. Taylor discussed the report regarding Capital Projects. Mr. Taylor noted the status of the capital projects: 55 projects are active, 19 projects are in the purchasing process, 14 projects are in progress and six projects have been completed.

ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

Business Administration Matters

Approval of Budget Adjustments – March 2023/24

On motion by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Santos, the Board voted unanimously for Approval of Budget Adjustments – March 2023/24 in the following programs:

Occupational Education	Center for Learning Technology
School Improvement for Standards Impl.	Model Schools
Services Other BOCES	

(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. Mr. Wunsch moved, Mrs. Santos seconded, and the Board voted unanimously to approve awards to the lowest bidders meeting specifications as listed on the schedule dated March 12, 2024.

(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 for Roofing Supplies and Services, Waterproofing and Related Products and Services [R]

On motion by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Santos, the Board voted unanimously for Authorization to Participate in Omnia Partners for Roofing Supplies and Services, Waterproofing and Related Products and Services 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 #PW1925 Roofing Supplies and Services, Waterproofing, and Related Products and 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 #PW1925, 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 #PW1925 Roofing Supplies and Services, Waterproofing, and Related Products and Services.

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

Authorization for Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding Program with Eastern Suffolk BOCES Resolution (A) [R]

On motion by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Santos, the Board voted unanimously for Authorization for Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding Program with Eastern Suffolk BOCES Resolution (A) as follows:

WHEREAS, various educational and municipal corporations located within the State of New York desire to bid jointly for generally needed services and standardized supply and equipment items; and

WHEREAS, the Western Suffolk BOCES, an educational/municipal corporation (hereinafter the "Participant") is desirous of selectively participating with other educational and/or municipal corporations in the State of New York in joint bidding in the areas mentioned above pursuant to General Municipal Law § 119-o and Education

Law Section 1950; and

WHEREAS, the Participant is a municipality within the meaning of General Municipal Law § 119-n and is eligible to participate in the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, First Supervisory District of Suffolk County (hereinafter Eastern Suffolk BOCES) Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding Program (hereinafter the "Program") in the areas mentioned above; and

WHEREAS, the Participant acknowledges receipt of the Program description inclusive of Eastern Suffolk BOCES' standard bid packet and the general conditions relating to said Program; and

WHEREAS, with respect to all activities conducted by the Program, the Participant wishes to delegate to Eastern Suffolk BOCES the responsibility for drafting of bid specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, evaluating bids, awarding via Eastern Suffolk BOCES Board approval, and reporting the results to the Participant.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Participant hereby appoints Eastern Suffolk BOCES to represent it and to act as the lead agent in all matters related to the Program as described above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Participant hereby authorizes Eastern Suffolk BOCES to place all legal advertisements for any required cooperative bidding in Newsday, which is designated as the official newspaper for the Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Participant Meeting shall be held annually consisting of a representative from each Program Participant. Notice of the meeting shall be given to each representative at least five (5) days prior to such meeting; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an Advisory Committee will be formed consisting of five to ten representatives of Program Participants for a term of three (3) years as authorized by General Municipal Law §119-o.2.j.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Agreement with the Participant shall be for a term of one (1) year as authorized by General Municipal Law §119-o.2.j.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Participant agrees to pay Eastern Suffolk BOCES an annual fee as determined annually by Eastern Suffolk BOCES to act as the lead agent for the Program.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.1.4 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

Resolution to Participate in Buyboard Contract for Musical Instruments, Equipment, Supplies and Repair [R]

On motion by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Santos, the Board voted unanimously for Resolution to Participate in Buyboard Contract for Musical Instruments, Equipment, Supplies and Repair 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 BuyBoard Contract for Musical Instruments, Equipment, Supplies, and Repair Contract #712-23 effective term 9/1/2023-08/31/2024 with two one-year renewals and anticipated duration 08/31/2026 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 BuyBoard Contract for Musical Instruments, Equipment, Supplies, and Repair Contract #712-23 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 BuyBoard Contract #712-23 Musical Instruments, Equipment, Supplies, and Repair.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.1.5 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

Resolution to Participate in Omnia Partners Contract for Office Supplies, Products and Related Services (#19-12R) [R]

On motion by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Santos, the Board voted unanimously for Resolution to Participate in Omnia Partners Contract for Office Supplies, Products and Related Services (#19-12R) 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 #19-12R Office Supplies, Products and Related Services for the purpose of office supplies 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 #19-12R Office Supplies, Products and Related 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 #19-12R Office Supplies, Products and Related Services.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.1.6 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

Resolution to Retain Special Counsel [R]

On motion by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Santos, the Board voted unanimously for Resolution to Retain Special Counsel as follows:

WHEREAS, Western Suffolk BOCES desires to retain the services of special counsel to review relevant documentation and information concerning a certain business contract entered into by Western Suffolk BOCES and to conduct research and analyze the viability of a potential claim and recommended course of action by Western Suffolk BOCES,

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that Western Suffolk BOCES hereby retains the law firm of Barnes & Barnes, P.C. as special counsel to review relevant documentation and information concerning a certain business contract entered into by Western Suffolk BOCES and to conduct research and analyze the viability of a potential claim and recommended course of action by Western Suffolk BOCES, and be it further,

RESOLVED, that the President and/or the Chief Operating Officer is hereby authorized to enter into an agreement on behalf of Western Suffolk BOCES with Barnes & Barnes, P.C. as approved by General Counsel.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.1.7 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

Resolution to Participate in Byram Hills School District Janitorial Supplies Bid No. 23/24-02 [R]

On motion by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Santos, the Board voted unanimously for Resolution to Participate in Byram Hills School District Janitorial Supplies Bid No. 23/24-02 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 Byram Hills School District Janitorial Supplies for Ocean Janitorial Bid No..23/24-02 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 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 Byram Hills School District Janitorial Supplies for Ocean Janitorial Bid No..23/24-02 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 Byram Hills School District Janitorial Supplies for Ocean Janitorial Bid No..23/24-02.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.1.8 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

Resolution to Participate in Nassau BOCES Passenger Cars, Vans & Trucks Bid #19/20-045 Ext 2-E [R]

On motion by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Santos, the Board voted unanimously for Resolution to Participate in Nassau BOCES Passenger Cars, Vans & Trucks Bid #19/20-045 Ext 2-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 Nassau BOCES, Passenger Cars, Vans & Trucks For: Hempstead Ford Bid # 19/20-045 Ext 2-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 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 Nassau BOCES Passenger Cars, Vans & Trucks For: Hempstead Ford Bid # 19/20-045 Ext.2-E 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 Nassau BOCES Passenger Cars, Vans & Trucks For: Hempstead Ford

#19/20-045 Ext.2-E.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 9.1.9 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

Approval of Corrective Action Plan [R]

On motion by Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Santos, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Corrective Action Plan. All items listed on the Corrective Action Plan, dated March 12, 2024 (Encl. 9.1.10) are incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.

Personnel

Instructional Personnel

Mrs. Cunningham moved, Mr. Sales 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 4-page Instructional Report dated March 12, 2024 (Encl. 9.2.1) is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.

Supplementary Services

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

All items listed on the 7-page Supplementary Services Report dated March 12, 2024 (Encl. 9.2.2) is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.

Non-Instructional Personnel

Mrs. Cunningham moved, Mr. Sales 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 2-page Non-Instructional Report dated March 12, 2024 (Encl. 9.2.3) is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.

Resolution for Adjustment for Unit III Member [R]

WHEREAS, Executive Director of Career and Tech Education since July 1, 2013; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Cooperative Educational Services Second Supervisory District of Suffolk County, New York, desires to adjust her compensation to more adequately reflect her value to the ongoing development and administration of the Division of Career & Tech Education;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the salary for will be increased by \$4,000 effective March 13, 2024.

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

Resolution for Adjustment for Unit VI Member [R]

WHEREAS, the additional compensation of the District Clerk authorized by the WS BOCES Board of Education has been previously set by a prior resolution, and

WHEREAS, the present District Clerk, has performed the required duties at an outstanding level;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the authorized compensation for the District Clerk, effective March 13, 2024, shall have an increase in the stipend of \$1,000.

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

Resolution for Adjustment for Unit VI Member [R]

WHEREAS, the Board of Cooperative Educational Services Second Supervisory District of Suffolk County, New York, desires to provide additional salary to Public Relations Director, to reflect the additional demands; and

THEREFORE, BE IT IS RESOLVED that the salary for Public Relations Director will be increased by \$1,500 effective March 13, 2024.

(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 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.)

Approval for Participation in Cooperative Bidding of Databases, Research Tools, E-Books, Automation and Media for Use in School Library Systems "Dream Consortium" [R]

On motion of Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Santos, the Board voted unanimously Approval for Participation in Cooperative Bidding of Databases, Research Tools, E-Books, Automation and Media for Use in School Library Systems "Dream Consortium" as follows:

WHEREAS, a number of Boards of Cooperative Educational Services (BOCES) and School Library Systems (SLS) require software and database access,

WHEREAS, the BOCES or SLS named below is desirous of participating with other BOCES and SLS in New York State in cooperatively procuring the software and database access, as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-o, and

WHEREAS, following a competitive Request for Proposals (RFP) process, the Albany-Schoharie-Schenectady-Saratoga BOCES (Capital Region BOCES) Board of Education has approved awards to the vendors listed below:

RFP #24-016

Benchmark Education Company LLC; Breakout EDU; Bookshare (Benetech); Capstone (Coughlan Companies LLC dba Capstone); Cavendish Square Publishing LLC; Central Programs (Gumdrop Books); ClickView;

COMPanion Corporation; CyberCivics; Digital Theatre; EBSCO Industries, Inc. dba EBSCO Information Services; Eduporium Inc.; Encyclopaedia Britannica; Exploring Nature Educational Resource; Fathom Reads; Follett; Gale, a Cengage Company; Generation Genius; Hackersjack; InfoBase; Insignia; Ithaka Harbors dba Jstor; Kids Discover LLC; LexisNexis; LibraryTrac; Lincoln Library Press Inc; Mackin Educational Resources; Mandarin; MyJove; Newsbank, Inc.; Noodle Tools; OverDrive; Oxford University Press; PBS Learning Media; Press4Kids Inc. (NewsOMatic); ProQuest LLC; Rosen; Safari Montage; Sage Publications, Inc.; Scholastic Inc.; Soundzabound; Springshare; Swank K12 Streaming; Swank Motion Pictures, Inc.; TeachingBooks.net LLC; TechRow; TLC (The Library Corp); Tumbleweed Press Inc; Turnitin; World Book; YuJa; Zoobean (Beanstack)

WHEREAS, the list above is not exhaustive and is anticipated to grow as additional RFPs are let and awarded by the Board,

WHEREAS, the BOCES named below wishes to appoint the Capital Region BOCES to advertise for, receive competitive proposals, and award contracts on their behalf; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the BOCES listed below hereby appoints the Capital Region BOCES to represent it in all matters relating above, and designates the Daily Gazette Newspaper as the legal publication for all related legal notifications, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the BOCES listed below authorizes Capital Region BOCES to represent it in all matters leading up to and including the entering into contracts for the purchase of the above-mentioned software and database access, and,

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the BOCES listed below agrees to (1) abide by majority decisions of the participating districts; (2) abide by the award of the Capital Region BOCES Board; (3) and that after the award of contracts it will conduct all negotiations directly with the awarded contractors; and (4) to authorize any and all future products that may be approved by the majority recommendations through the approval of this resolution.

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

Acceptance of Donated Equipment & Supplies [R]

On motion of Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mrs. Santos, the Board voted unanimously for Acceptance of Donated Equipment & Supplies as follows:

WHEREAS, Western Suffolk BOCES has received an offer from Dentists for A Better Huntington Inc, 165 Main Street, Huntington, NY 11743-3571 to donate \$5,180 to support the new Dental Assisting Program at Wilson Tech Manor Plains Campus, and

WHEREAS, Western Suffolk BOCES students would benefit from this donation, and

WHEREAS, according to Policy #4420, all donations of equipment, materials and property shall be presented to the Board for acceptance, and

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby approves the acceptance of the donated supplies and equipment as listed above.

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

OLD BUSINESS

Approval of WS BOCES Board of Education Meeting Dates for 2024-25

On motion of Mr. Wunsch, seconded by Mr. Sales, the Board unanimously voted for Approval of WS BOCES Board of Education Meeting Dates for 2024-25.

(Listing referred to is designated as Encl. 10.1 and is incorporated with the official minutes of this meeting.)

ADJOURNMENT

At 8:02 p.m. there being no further business items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned on motion by Mrs. Santos and seconded by Mr. Sales.

UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	EVENT	ATTENDEES
3/18/24	SCOPE's 23 rd Annual School District Awards Dinner, Monday, 4:30 pm, Villa Lombardi's, Holbrook, NY	B. Sales, J. Santos
4/6/24 - 4/8/24	National School Boards Association Convention, Sat. – Mon., New Orleans, LA	B. Sales

Enclosures:

NYSSBA Update, *February 19, 2024*
NYSSBA Update, *February 25, 2024*
NYSSBA Update, *March 3, 2024*
EAP Pathways, *March 2024*
EAP Pathways for Supervisors, *March 2024*



Joanne Klein
District Clerk