

A special meeting of the Board of Education of South Huntington Union Free School District, scheduled as a budget work session on the proposed 2014-2015 school budget, was held on Wednesday, March 19, 2014, in the Performing Arts Center of Walt Whitman High School, 301 West Hills Road, Huntington Station, New York.

**Present:**        **Board Members:**

President  
Vice President

Mr. Kaden  
Mr. Ciappetta  
Mrs. Brieff  
Mrs. Carey  
Mrs. DeGaetano  
Mrs. LaCara

**Staff:**

Superintendent of Schools  
Deputy Superintendent  
Asst. Supt. for Personnel & District Services  
Interim Business Administrator  
Supervisor of Assessment and Technology  
District Clerk

Dr. Bennardo  
Ms. Harris  
Dr. Centamore  
Mr. Light  
Dr. Bloom  
Mrs. Hammond

**Absent:**        Board Member

Mr. Nitkewicz

**Call to Order:**        Mr. Kaden opened the meeting at 7:35 p.m. and led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Budget Work Session:**        Dr. Bennardo stated that he would start the presentation with a brief review of what had been discussed over the past couple of weeks and noted that last week we began with a discussion of the overall process, which starts with a juxtaposition of our anticipated revenues with expenditures. Dr. Bennardo reviewed how revenue and expenditures are determined and then outlined the codes that have been examined over the past couple of weeks.

Dr. Bennardo stated that tonight's presentation was on the 2000 Code Instruction. Dr. Bennardo noted that instruction is the vast majority of every school district's budget and then introduced Dr. Bloom who outlined the codes that were being reviewed:

- Adult Education
- ESL Extended Day
- BOCES Codes
- Assessment Development/Scoring
- ESL Budget
- Curriculum Writing
- Textbooks
- Data Collection
- Parent Reports

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Mr. Light began his portion of the presentation by stating that the total budget amount for Code 2000 Instruction was \$82,028,652. Mr. Light then reviewed the BOCES codes noting that these programs also receive state aid at various ratios. The total BOCES codes for 2014-2015 would be \$8,619,967.

Mr. Light reviewed what was included in Code 2000 Instruction and noted that these codes represent 54.4% of the total budget:

- Building Administration
- Curriculum and Instruction
- General Classroom Instruction
- Special Education
- Student Services
- Guidance
- Computer Assisted Instruction
- Extracurricular and Athletics

Mr. Light reviewed the following codes:

- Curriculum Development and Supervision code is being increased by \$176,878, which is a 27.4% increase.
- Supervision Regular School code is being increased by \$84,435, which is a 1.8% increase.
- Adult Education code is being increased by \$1,000, which is a 2.4% increase.
- In-Service Training code is being increased by \$4,800, which is a 27.4% increase.

Dr. Bennardo reviewed the staffing requirements for 2014-2015:

- Walt Whitman HS – 1.7 FTE, Academic Enrollment Driven Need
- Stimson MS – .4 FTE, AIS Support Driven Need
- Stimson MS – .2 FTE, Scheduling Academic Need
- Silas Wood – .6 FTE, AIS Support Driven Need
- Silas Wood – .6 FTE, Special Area and Teaming Enrollment Driven Need
- Grades 3-5 – 1.0 FTE, Academic Enrollment Driven Need
- Grades K-2 – 1.0 FTE, AIS Support Driven Need
- District – 1.0 FTE, Mandated Special Education Need

Dr. Bennardo then introduced Dr. Centamore who reviewed the primary and intermediate class size projections for 2014-2015 and the middle and high school 2014-2015 enrollment projections.

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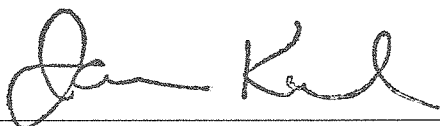
Mr. Light reviewed the 2110 General Instruction Code:

- Personnel code is being increased by \$1,608,740, which is a 4.1% increase.
- Equipment code is being increased by \$15,982, which is a 78.2% increase.
- Contractual code is being decreased by -\$164,320, which is a -9.0% decrease.
- Supplies code is being increased by \$59,459, which is a 12.3% increase.

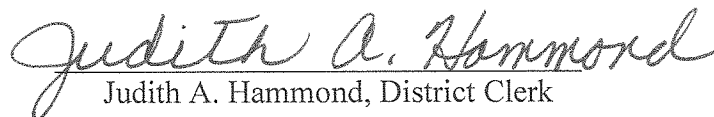
Mr. Light noted that the total increase for Code 2110 would be \$1,519,861, which is a 3.6% increase. Following the presentation, the Board and audience were given an opportunity for questions and discussion.

**Adjournment:**

The meeting was declared adjourned at 8:15 p.m.



Jim Kaden, President



Judith A. Hammond, District Clerk