

***West Islip School District  
Education Committee  
2016-2017***

**Members**

***Steve Gellar, Annmarie LaRosa  
Bernadette Burns, Anne Rullan***

***September 8, 2016  
7:15 p.m.***

***West Islip High School ~ Counseling Conference Room***

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***Minutes***

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Members in attendance: Steve Gellar, Kevin O'Connor, Bernadette Burns, Anne Rullan

Also in attendance: Scott Brady

Meeting started at: 7:20 p.m.

**Regents Review Program**

During the summer, the District hosted Regents Review Courses for CC Algebra II, CC Geometry, and Chemistry. The Regents Review program is designed for students who passed the course but failed the Regents. Overall, we had 49 students who attended ninety minutes per day for eight days prior to retaking the Regents. Results for the program was 67% passing in Algebra II, 36% passing in CC Geometry, and 80% passing in Chemistry. We also administered the exam for walk-in students who did not attend the program. The passing rates including all students were 63% passing in Algebra II, 31% passing in CC Geometry, and 73% in Chemistry.

**Google Apps for Educators**

The District has put together a professional development training that would our faculty and staff for an eventual 1:1 initiative with our students in the upcoming years. All instructional faculty and most support staff will be trained in using Google Apps for Education. All teachers will be trained in how to effectively utilize Google Apps in their classroom. They will learn about a variety of apps, Drawings, Docs, Slides, Forms, and Sheets to create engaging and creative educational content. The focus for this year will be how teachers can collaborate and share in their classroom. Teachers will be working on the District Google Platform with a district-issued Chromebook to become familiar and plan for a possible deployment of devices to students in the following school year.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50 p.m.