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**MEMBERS ATTENDED**

John Sarcone	WDB DIRECTOR
Harold Mayer, Esq.	Chairperson
Walter Markowitz, Ed.D	Hofstra University
William Kurz	Kurz Planning, Inc. – Vice Chair
Maria Themistocleous -Frey	ECNY Corp. /ECNY Foundation
Cheryl Davidson	Northwell
May-Whei Lin	NYS Department of Labor
Tom Bruno	Hicksville Youth Council
Edmund Koeppel	Nassau Community College
Jon Siskind	Bowne A E & T Group
Sunita Manjrekar	Nassau County Department of Social Services
Jay Fund	Hunter Business School
Glen Wolther	All Round Bakery Products
Nicole Grodner	Northeast Regional Council of Carpenters
Elvira Lovaglio-Duncan	Urban League of Westchester

**ABSENT MEMBERS**

Gemma DeLeon-LoPresti	Local 1102
John Durso	Long Island Federation of Labor, Local 338 RWDSU/UFCW
Barry Greenspan	Empire State Development – Regional Office Long Island
Jill Gunzil	Albrecht, Viggiano, Zureck & Co. P.C.
John Keating	PSEG
Douglas Kowaiczik	HiTempco
Mario Martinez	PT. Washington Community Action Council
Raj Mehta	Infosys International, Inc.
Martin Murphy	Long Island Regional Adult Education Network
Veronica Rose-Craig	ACCES-VR
Ryan Schlotter	Oyster Bay Brewing CO.
Keith Sperling	National Grid

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE**

<b>Dr. Kathleen Gallo</b>	<b>Northwell Health</b>
<b>Dr. Renee McLeod-Sordjan</b>	<b>Hofstra</b>
<b>Larry Forni</b>	<b>NYSED-ACCES VR</b>
<b>Sagar Metha</b>	<b>Town of North Hempstead</b>
<b>Brian Cohen</b>	<b>DTM ECNY Foundation</b>
<b>Hawa Basset</b>	<b>TOH Legislative Aid to Councilwoman Viviana Bassett</b>
<b>Michael Todisco</b>	<b>Work Force</b>
<b>Kathleen Maffucci</b>	<b>Nassau County BOCES</b>
<b>Nicholas Amador</b>	<b>Farmingdale College</b>
<b>Scott Bloom</b>	<b>Work Force</b>
<b>Gina Colletti</b>	<b>Suffolk Chamber of Commerce</b>
<b>Frank Sammartano</b>	<b>Town of Oyster Bay IGA</b>
<b>Debbie Salvas</b>	<b>Town of Oyster BAY IGA</b>
<b>Brianna MacSaveny</b>	<b>Town of Oyster Bay IGA</b>
<b>Christine D'Amico</b>	<b>Town of Oyster Bay IGA</b>
<b>Michele Oliva</b>	<b>Town of Oyster Bay IGA</b>
<b>Dennis Palmeri</b>	<b>Town of Oyster Bay IGA</b>
<b>Brigid Hand</b>	<b>Town of Oyster BAY IGA</b>
<b>Jennifer Pravato</b>	<b>Town of Oyster Bay IGA</b>
<b>Karen Jones</b>	<b>Town of Oyster Bay IGA</b>
<b>Gail Parainfo</b>	<b>Town of Oyster Bay IGA</b>
<b>Mary Dilena</b>	<b>Town of Oyster Bay IGA</b>

John Sarcone called the meeting to order at 10:00 am. John Sarcone, WDB Director, spoke of how incredibly sad to hear of Board Member Roz Goldmacher's passing and to please keep her family and friends in prayer. John stated this is the second board meeting of this year. He asked for a motion to accept the minutes from the last meeting, May 12, 2020. The minutes were accepted unanimously on a motion by Walter Markowitz and seconded by Cheryl Davidson.

Host of meeting, Dr. Kathleen Gallo, PhD, MBA, RN, FAAN Senior Vice President and Chief Learning Officer Founding Dean and Professor for Northwell Health spoke about the mission and programs at The Hofstra School of Nursing. Dr. Kathleen Gallo mentioned how important it is to have a glory of programs to fulfill the mission for our nursing strategy. Dr. Kathleen Gallo introduced Dr. Renee McLeod-Sordjan, Chief of Medical Ethics with Northwell Health and Chair Professor at Hofstra—Northwell School of Graduate Nursing, to further speak about the programs and mission at Hofstra School of Nursing.

Dr. Renee McLeod-Sordjan spoke about, the Admissions of Criteria, vision, programs, and mission for The Hofstra school of Nursing. She said we are creating a pipeline into our programs but also a pipeline for the students to go back into their communities and do great things. The school's vision is to prepare the next generation of nurses. Hofstra School of Nursing has a diverse academic infrastructure and the

resources of Northwell Health. Northwell Health is an equal partner that is invested in preparing the next generation of nurses.

John Sarcone spoke about the In-school RFP. The bidders meeting will be Tuesday, August 18, 2020. John will send out Zoom meeting information later today regarding IN-School RFP.

John Sarcone announced the resignation of Harold Mayer.

Mr. Mayer thanked all board members for their hard work over the last 30 plus years. Due to legal conflicts as Deputy Town Attorney with The Town of Oyster Bay, Mr. Mayer could no longer hold position with WDB.

Walter Markowitz, Hofstra University, wished Hal Mayer well and thanked him for his many years of service with the WDB.

Walter Markowitz initiated the motion and Ed Koppel and Maria Frey seconded the motion and a unanimous vote was passed to accept William Kurz- Chairperson and Jon Siskind –Vice Chairperson.

A motion for William Kurz -Chairperson and Jon Siskind -Vice President Chairperson

Motion accepted. Walter Markowitz and Edmund Koeppel.

John Sarcone spoke about our workforce working virtually, the WP.org being updated and how we continue to work more closely with the Town of North Hempstead.

**John Sarcone stated as mentioned earlier in meeting we are in the process of In-School RFP, if anyone wants to be on the selection committee.**

**Walter Markowitz spoke on behalf of Dr. Kathleen Gallo on her devotion to workforce development and thanked John Sarcone for having both Dr. Kathleen Gallo and Dr. Renee McLeod-Sordjan join meeting.**

Town of North Hempstead Councilwoman Viviana Russell stated how excited she is about the opportunity presented with nursing programs and thanked Northwell and Hofstra School of Nursing. Councilwoman Viviana Russell also thanked John Sarcone and all board members in regard to making a successful workforce development.

**John Sarcone closed meeting at approximately 10:42 am. On a motion duly made the meeting was adjourned at 10:42 am.**



