

**VALLEY STREAM SCHOOL DISTRICT 24**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE**  
**BOARD OF EDUCATION**

**June 15, 2016**

**6:00 PM**

President Trogel called the Work Session meeting to order at 6:00 PM. The Board conducted interviews for the position of Director of Special Education. After the interviews were conducted the Work Session Meeting was called to order by President Trogel at 7: 10 PM. Motion was made by Anthony Iadevaio, seconded by Paul DePace to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing the employment history of a particular person. Executive Session was adjourned at 7:15 PM.

The Work Session resumed at 7:25 PM. Mr. Mitchell discussed with the Board the reason we are rescinding the motion from May 25<sup>th</sup> regarding the use of Konica Minolta, to provide copy machine services for 7 out of our 9 copy machines whose leases are expiring in July. We will be using Canon Solutions America, Inc. instead. The Board approved a new award for 2 graduates from the Robert W. Carbonaro School. The award will be the Loretta Stanisiz Award that will be presented every year at graduation.

The Board reviewed tonight's agenda.

The work session adjourned at 7:41 PM and the Board will continue with return to continue Executive Session after the public meeting .

President Trogel called the regular meeting to order at 7:41 PM. The meeting took place at the William L. Buck School on June 15, 2016 immediately following the Work Session meeting.

Members Present: Paul DePace, Anthony Iadevaio, Donna LaRocco, John Maier, Lisa Pellicane and Lawrence Trogel.

Members Absent with Prior Notice: Armando Hernandez

Others Present: Superintendent Fale, Attorney Richard Zuckerman, Director of Curriculum, Dr. Lisa Conte, Director Special Education, Mrs. Vanessa Myers and Director of Finance and Operations, Mr. Jack Mitchell.

President Trogel approved the minutes of May 25 and June 1, 2016.

President Trogel welcomed questions or comments relative to the items on tonight's agenda from visitors.

Dr. Fale welcomed the audience and told them that it was his pleasure to be recognizing students who were receiving awards for Presidential Excellence and Achievement, as well as the recipients of the George Shebitz Essay Contest on Thomas Jefferson. This award was established after the untimely death of our longtime attorney, George Shebitz, who was a Jeffersonian Scholar. After his passing the family approached the District about an essay contest in his name.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by Paul DePace, WHEREAS, Diane McKeon, an elementary teacher of this District, has submitted her written letter of resignation for the purpose of retirement, effective close of business June 30, 2016. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the irrevocable letter of resignation for retirement purposes of Diane McKeon, effective close of business June 30, 2016. Motion unanimously carried.

Dr. Lisa Conte read a speech on Mrs. Mckeon.

Lisa Pellicane read a speech for Mr. Trogel thanking him for all of his hard work over the past 15 years.

President Trogel thanked everyone that he has worked with and wished the District well in the future.

The following Personnel items were approved by Consent Agenda. Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by Paul DePace, to approve the following:

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following additions to the per diem substitute teacher list effective June 16, 2016: Angela Moreno (nurse) and LeeAnne Pallisco (nurse). Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following to be assigned as custodial summer helpers, effective June 20, 2016, at the appropriate rate/scale of pay, according to the salary set by the Board of Education at the Annual Reorganization Meeting:

Anthony Ameluoso	-	Step 1
Anthony Corona	-	Step 3
George DeLa Cruz	-	Step 1
Alex Newman	-	Step 2
James Rodriguez, Jr.	-	Step 1

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following to be assigned as custodial summer helpers, effective June 27, 2016, at the appropriate rate of pay, according to the salary set by the Board of Education at the Annual Reorganization Meeting:

Chris Kulda - Step 2

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following to work as summer school aides, at the appropriate rate of pay, as per the agreement between the Valley Stream School District 24 and the United Public Service Employees Union (UPSEU): Jane Cooper, Ana Mueller, Marijo Sensale, Amy Corke, Brenda Paneto, Deborah Kulda, Catherine Conklin, Gina Tomaszewski and Bibi Razack. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by, Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following to work as a summer school nurse, at the appropriate rate of pay, as per the agreement between the Valley Stream School District 24 and Valley Stream Teachers' Association/Registered Nurses Unit: Cathy Hicks.

The following Personnel items were approved by Consent Agenda. Motion: Paul DePace, seconded by Anthony Iadevaio, to approve the following:

Motion: Paul DePace, seconded by Anthony Iadevaio, the Board of Education accepts the recommendations of the Committee on Pre-School Special Education, pertaining to students being considered for pre-school special education services and the Board approves and ratifies the recommendations of the Committee on Pre-School Special Education presented for child #: 4342301984; 442301929; and 44230214. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Paul DePace, seconded by Anthony Iadevaio, the Board of Education accepts the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education, pertaining to students being considered for special education services and the Board approves and ratifies the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education presented

for child #: 442301997; 442300912; 442300651; 442300679; 442301325; 442301664; 442301680; 442301444; 442301564; 442301616; 442301913; 442300110; 4423009667; 442300952; 442301198; 442301394; 442301414; 442301779; 442301912; 442301997; 442301150; 442301571; 442301650; 422100200; 442300736; 442300855; 442301152; 442301185; 442301234; 442301261; 442301287; 442301305; 442301310; 442301312; 442301337; 442301371; 442301109; 442301031; 442300697; 442300972; 442300997; 442301038; 442300803; 442300841; 442300842; 432100040; 442300046; 442300676; 442300135; 442300467; 442300594; 442300665; 442300070; 442301576; 442301808; 442301596; 442301542; 442301849; 442301585; 442301862; 442301434; 442300831; 442300972; 442301009; 442301214; 442301417; 442301624; 442301554; and 442301608.  
Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Donna LaRocco, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board shall accept the Treasurer's Report, Interest Report, Collateral Report, Cash Flow Report, Claims Auditor's Report, Appropriation Status Report, Revenue Status Report, and Trial Balance Report for April, 2016. Motion unanimously carried.

#### VALLEY STREAM CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

There are three delegates from Valley Stream UFSD Twenty-Four on the Central High School Board of Education, Mr. Iadevaio, Mrs. Pellicane and Mr. Trogel. Mrs. Pellicane reported that at the last meeting of the High School there were awards recognition and retiree recognition.

LEGAL REPORT - Representative from the law firm, Lamb & Barnosky, LLP Attorney Zuckerman spoke about the LIPA Pilots case with Nassau County. He advised that there was a settlement and the County will reimburse the Districts, in accordance with the judge's order.

PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT – A copy of said report is attached to these minutes.

LEGISLATION REPORT – None

**BUILDINGS & GROUNDS** – A copy of said report is attached to these minutes.

**POLICY COMMITTEE** – A copy of said report is attached to these minutes.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS, IF ANY** - NONE

**NEW BUSINESS**

Motion: Paul DePace, seconded by Anthony Iadevaio, that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to make all required transfers in the 2015-2016 Budget in order to reconcile the General Fund for the 2015-2016 year. (A copy of said Budget Transfers is attached to this Agenda). Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Anthony Iadevaio, seconded by Donna La Rocco, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accept the bid and award the contract from Preferred Meals to provide food services to the District for the 2016-2017 school year commencing July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. Renewals may not exceed four additional years. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Anthony Iadevaio, seconded by Donna LaRocco, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board approve the 2016-2017 IEP Direct, Renewal Proposal, at a cost of \$8,539.75. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Donna LaRocco, seconded by John Maier, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board approve the NYSE Directors Renewal Proposal for the 2016-2017 school year, at a cost of \$1,910. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Donna LaRocco, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board approve the agreement between the Valley Stream School District 24 and Beth Swedarsky, M.A. CCC-SLP, for speech services for the Summer of 2016 at the rate of \$45 per

half hour/\$90 per hour , for 1 student for a total of six weeks during the summer 2016. The approximate total cost will be \$1,080. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Paul DePace, seconded by Anthony Iadevaio, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the Health Services Contract for the 2015-2016 school year with the Lynbrook Public Schools, for 7 students attending Our Lady of Peace School, at the cost of \$970.78 per student for a total cost of \$6,795.46. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by Paul DePace, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the contract between the District and the Martin de Porres School for one student for the 2016-2017 school year, at the tuition rate established by the Commissioner of Education for the State of New York. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Anthony Iadevaio, seconded by John Maier, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accepts a gift to the District from the family of George Shebitz of his Thomas Jefferson Library. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Donna LaRocco, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education hereby confirms its intention that non-Union employees were permitted to donate their accrued unused sick leave time to Alf Rasmussen's sick leave bank, pursuant to and consistent with the terms and conditions set forth in the District/VSTA MOA dated April 1, 2015. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Donna LaRocco, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby ratifies an agreement with the VSTA dated, May 3, 2016, regarding a unit member's sick leave bank. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Paul DePace, seconded by Anthony Iadevaio, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education authorizes the Board President to sign the agreement with Zaner-Bloser to purchase the Reading Series, SuperKids for grades Kindergarten through Grade 2 for the District, at a cost of \$64,850.50. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by Paul DePace, that,, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education authorizes the Board President to sign the agreement with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt to purchase the Reading Series, Journeys 2017 for grades 3 through 6 for the District, at a cost of \$79,377.75. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Anthony Iadevaio, seconded by Donna LaRocco , upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education authorizes the Board President to sign the agreement with Houghton Mifflin Harcourt to purchase the Special Education Reading Series, Journeys 2017 for grades 3 through 6, at a cost of \$3,835.20. Motion unanimously carried.

WHEREAS, at its May 25, 2016 Meeting, the Board of Education adopted a Resolution approving the use of Eastern Suffolk BOCES Contract #2013-044-0530 to replace seven photo copy machines located throughout the District, and further authorized the Board President to sign any agreements that had been reviewed and approved by the District's Counsel and which were necessary to effectuate the 60 month proposal submitted by Konica Minolta Business Solutions U.S.A., Inc: and

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to rescind the award of the contract to Konica Minolta Business Solutions U.S.A., Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, it is hereby RESOLVED, that the May 25, 2016 award of the contract to Konica Minolta Business Solutions, U.S.A., Inc. to replace seven photo copy machines is hereby rescinded; and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Board approves the use of Eastern Suffolk BOCES Contract #2017-044-0421 to replace seven photo copy machines located throughout the District, and further authorizes the Board President to sign any agreements that have been reviewed and approved by the District's Counsel and which are



necessary to effectuate the attached proposal submitted by Canon Solutions America, Inc. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Donna LaRocco, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the following Transportation Contracts for the Summer 2016-2017:

<u>Company</u>	<u>School</u>	<u># of Students</u>	<u>Summer Cost</u>	<u>Matron</u>
ACME	Variety Child Learning 7/4/2016 (holiday) – 8/12/2016	(2)	\$61.60 pppd x 2 <b>\$ 6,269.80</b> (29 days)	\$93.00 pd
Suburban	Martin de Porres 7/11/2016 – 8/19/2016	(1)	\$34.00 pppd <b>\$ 1,020.00</b> (30 days)	
First Student	School for Lang. Comm. & Development 7/11/2016 – 8/19/2016	(1)	\$86.00 pppd \$ 7.50 a/c cost per day <b>\$ 5,955.00</b> (30 days)	\$105.00 pd
BOCES*	Jerusalem Ave School 7/6/2016 – 8/16/2016	(1)	\$ 934.00 <b>\$ 4,809.00</b> (monthly cost)	\$ 3,875.00

**\*Contract to follow**

**TOTAL ESTIMATED SUMMER COST: **\$ 18,053.80****

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Paul DePace, seconded by John Maier, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education appoints Laura Peterson who holds certification as a School District Administrator, as Director of Special Education, effective July 1, 2016, for a four year probationary period in the Director of Special Education tenure area. This probationary period will expire on June 30, 2020, subject to the requirements of the Education Law and the Rules of the Board of Regents and is pending fingerprint clearance, if applicable, and unless terminated prior thereto in accordance with the New York Education Law. Compensation will be in accordance with the agreement between Laura Peterson and the Board of Education.

A parent from the audience questioned whether or not we could change the lunch program and use another vendor besides Preferred Meals since his child did not eat the food most of the time and many other parents had indicated the same to him. Dr. Fale advised that we did issue an RFP this year for a vendors, however, the only one who responded was Preferred Meals. None of the other vendors are able to accommodate us without a full kitchen.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Donna LaRocco, to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of continuing discussion on the employment history of a particular person, and to seek legal advice from the Board's attorney.

President Trogel adjourned the meeting at 8:45 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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