

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Valley Stream Union Free School District Twenty-Four

JULY 7, 2014

The meeting took place at the William L. Buck School on July 7, 2014 immediately following the conclusion of the Reorganization Meeting.

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

Others Present: Superintendent Fale, Attorney Richard Zuckerman

President La Rocco called the meeting to order at 5:29 PM.

On a Motion by Trustee Iadevaio, the Board approves the minutes of June 18, 2014. Motion unanimously carried.

President LaRocco congratulated new Board member, Armando Hernandez and welcomed visitors.

Dr. Fale congratulated Mrs. Donna LaRocco as the new President and Mr. Lawrence Trogel as Vice President. He also welcomed Mr. Armando Hernandez to the Board. Dr. Fale reported that the 2014 Summer Program which is run by BOCES and has Mr. James Friel as its Principal started today at the Robert W. Carbonaro School.

Motion: Trustee Anthony Iadevaio, for a Consent Agenda. Motion unanimously carried.

List of Items for Action:

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following person as a Nurse for the 2014 Summer School Program at the appropriate rate/scale: Cathy Hicks

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following as teacher aide for the 2014 Summer School Program: Brenda Paneto, at the appropriate rate of pay agreed between the District and the UPSEU for the position.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education appoints Mrs. Concetta Possidel as an Account Clerk. This appointment made from the Nassau County Civil Service Commission's Eligibility List #1056 established May 9, 2012. This is a probationary appointment effective July 8, 2014 for a term of 26 weeks expiring January 7, 2015, in accordance with the VSTA Education Personnel Salary Schedule with Step #1, of the Secretarial Salary Schedule, at the annualized salary rate for this position. Mrs. Possidel will be assigned to the District Business Office.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education, pursuant to Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, does hereby appoint Gary Garzetta as an Elementary Music Teacher for a probationary period of three years, effective September 1, 2014. Such probationary period will expire on August 31, 2017. Compensation will be in accordance with the current negotiated agreement between the Valley Stream Teachers' Association and the Board of Education as follows: Step 1/MA.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education, pursuant to Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, does hereby appoint Mark Huestis as part-time (.2) Elementary Music Teacher, effective September 1, 2014. Compensation will be in accordance with the current negotiated agreement between the Valley Stream Teachers' Association and the Board of Education, not to exceed \$30,000/year.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the resignation for retirement purposes from Barbara Fucello, a full time aide in the District, effective June 30, 2014.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves that three full time aide positions be abolished due to District need.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, 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 children #: 442301012, 442301150, 442301261, 442301305, 442301421, and 442301434.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, 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 children #: 402300100, 422300010, 442300030, 442300050, 442300111, 442300139, 442300377, 442300448, 442300543, 442300710, 442301036, 442301064, 442301273, 442301320, 442301349, 442301479, 442301482, 442301485, 442301539, 442301541, 412100351, 442300114, 442300135, 442300188, 442300290, 442300291, 442300396, 442300427, 442300855, 442301000, 442301198, and 442301291.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board shall accept the Treasurer's Report, Interest Report, Appropriation Status Report, Revenue Status Report, Trial Balance Report and Internal Claims Report for May, 2014.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of School, the Board of Education approves the Tax Levy for the 2014-2015 school year in the amount of \$38,938,323. \$18,983,888 of this amount is levied upon the Valley Stream High School District.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes the Outdoor and Environmental Education overnight field trip for Grade Six to Frost Valley YMCA, Claryville, New York for four days, three nights for all three schools from May 26 through May 29, 2015.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Board of Education, the cost of school meals provided for students by Preferred Meals, Inc. for the 2014-2015 school year is set as follows:

Breakfast Grab and Go - \$1.75 per pupil
Lunch - \$ 2.75 per pupil per day
The cost of milk only - \$.25 per pt

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board authorizes the President to approve two instructional Service Contracts for 2014-2015 from Variety Child Learning Center for the 2014 Summer Program (Tuition - \$6,222.00 per pupil per summer plus the cost of a 1x1 aide -\$2,959.50) and the 2014-2015 School Year (Tuition - \$37,745.00 per pupil per school year plus the cost of a 1x1 aide- \$17,757.00).

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board authorizes the President to approve and sign the contract between BookSmart Accounting and the Valley Stream UFSD #24 for the 2014-2015 year, commencing July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board authorizes the President to approve and sign the Contract Renewal Agreement for Meal Services between Preferred Meal Systems, Inc. and the Valley Stream UFSD #24 for one year for the period commencing July 1, 2014 and ending June 30, 2015.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board authorizes the Superintendent to certify that the District has adopted a “freeze compliant budget” as required under the Real Property Tax Freeze Law.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board authorizes the President to approve and sign the contract between the District and Zycron Industries for the 2014-2015 School Year for Medicaid Loss Prevention Services.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board agrees to the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District #24 desires to embark upon a capital improvement project at the William L. Buck Elementary School for a Geothermal Heating System and

WHEREAS, said capital improvement project is subject to classification under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA); and

WHEREAS, replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site, including upgrading buildings to meet building or fire codes, unless such action meets or exceeds any of the thresholds in section 617.4 of this part, are classified as Type II Actions under the current Department of Environmental Conservation SEQRA Regulations (Section 6 NYCRR 617.5 (2)); and

WHEREAS, the SEQRA Regulations declare Type II Actions to be actions that have no significant impact on the environment and require no further review under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education, as the only involved agency, has examined all information related to the capital improvement project and has determined that it is classified as a Type II Action pursuant to Section 617.5(2) of the SEQRA Regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby declares itself lead agency in connection with the requirements of the State Environmental Quality Review Act; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby declares that the capital improvement project is a Type II Action, which requires no further review under SEQRA.

This was a consent agenda. All motions were unanimously carried.

The meeting was adjourned by President LaRocco at 5:32 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Johanna Owen