

VALLEY STREAM SCHOOL DISTRICT 24

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

OCTOBER 28, 2015

The Work Session was called to order by President Trogel at 7:45 PM. The Board discussed Policy # 5110.5 and the Administrative Regulations to determine whether or not we should revise the policy to have parents re-register students every year. President Trogel took a vote and the consensus was as follows:

Lawrence Trogel – yes

Anthony Iadevaio – yes

Paul DePace – yes

John Maier – yes

Donna LaRocco – yes

Armando Hernandez – no

Lisa Pellicane – absent

The vote was 5-1 to revise the policy.

The Board discussed the Paving Contractor who completed the paving and concrete work. The District is withholding \$18,000 from final payment because we were not happy with some of the results and even after the contractor corrected the work we do not feel it was done to our satisfaction.

The Board discussed possible dates for a Board Retreat and were not able to come up with a date. A date will be determined at the November 4th Work Session.

Motion by Paul DePace, seconded by Anthony Iadevaio to enter into Executive Session to discuss the medical history of a particular person, seek legal advice from the attorney on a particular parent matter and what the procedure would be if we were to change voting for the Board election from At Large to voting by seat, and review of the agenda. Motion unanimously carried. Executive Session was entered into at 8:10 PM. Motion was made to adjourn Executive Session at 8:33 PM.

President Trogel called the business meeting to order at 8:43 P.M. This meeting took place at the William L. Buck School on October 28, 2015 immediately following the Work Session meeting.

Members Present: President Trogel, Trustees DePace, Hernandez, Iadevaio, LaRocco and Maier.

Members Absent with Prior Notice: Vice President Pellicane

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

Determination of Quorum and Call to Order, President

Salute to the Flag and Pledge of Allegiance

Approval of Minutes –September 16 and October 7, 2015

Welcome to Visitors – At this time the Board of Education welcomes questions or comments relative to the items on tonight’s agenda.

Correspondence Report – District Clerk – Ms. Johanna Owen advised the Board that they received letters of resignation from a teacher aide and a part-time lunch monitor to accept different positions in the District. They also received a letter from a teacher requesting medical leave.

Superintendent of Schools – Dr. Edward Fale – welcomed the audience and advised them that this was a special week recognizing and honoring our Board of Education members for their dedication to the students in our District.

President Trogel presented a glass plaque to our outgoing President, Donna LaRocco, thanking her for her hard work. Mrs. LaRocco thanked the Board and Administration for their support.

Mr. Trogel thanked the PTAs for providing dinner for them for Board Recognition.

The Superintendent introduced the teachers and students who made presentations to the Board thanking them for all that they do. Mr. Trogel thanked everyone and told the audience that while they may not always agree they do try to do the best for the students.

Motion: Paul DePace, seconded by Armando Hernandez, that the Board accept tonight's agenda as a Consent Agenda. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education hereby ratifies the acceptance of, retroactive to the close of business June 30, 2015, that three (3) Part time Teacher aide positions (2 of them part-time Library aides) be abolished, effective at the close of business on June 30, 2015. This action was taken due to budgetary constraints for the 2015-2016 school year. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: that the Board of Education hereby ratifies the acceptance of, retroactive to the close of business June 30, 2015, that due to this abolition of positions, the employment of the following persons will be terminated effective at the close of business on June 30, 2015 Karen Croak, Susan delaTorre, and Carolyn Torre. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education hereby ratifies the acceptance of, retroactive to the close of business June 30, 2015, that two (2) hourly Security/Supervisory Aide positions be abolished effective at the close of business on June 30, 2015. This action was taken based upon budgetary constraints for the 2015-2016 school year. Motion unanimously carried.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby ratifies the acceptance of, retroactive to the close of business June 30, 2015, that due to this abolition of positions, the employment of the following persons: John Venza and Richard Webb will be terminated effective at the close of business on June 30, 2015. Motion unanimously carried

Motion: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adds the following to the substitute list for the 2015-2016 school year: Shazia Bhatti, Jennifer Jacoby, Irene Sayewitz, Allison Smithwick, and Francine Eisner (nurse). Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: that the Board of Education ratifies a settlement agreement with the District Employee Number 701. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the letter of resignation from Lauren Grupp, as a Teaching Assistant, effective close of business November 13, 2015. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education hereby ratifies the acceptance of the resignation letter of Jacqueline Velez, as a teacher aide at the close of business September 1, 2015. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education hereby ratifies the acceptance of the resignation letter of Bibi Razack, as a teacher aide at the close of business October 7, 2015. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and in accordance with Section 5.11.2. of the negotiated agreement with VSTA, the Board of Education grants a medical leave with 70% salary, effective December 2, 2015 until the doctor feels she is medically ready to return to work, but no later than close of business on June 30, 2016, to Mrs. Diane McKeon. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education appoints the following teacher liaisons for clubs/departments for the 2015-2016 school year at the appropriate Club Rate per the VSTA contract as follows:

Teacher Liaisons for Departments:

Art	-	Jane Berzner
ESL	-	Kathleen Murray
Instrumental Music	-	Nicholas Shmorhun- - C-Club
Library	-	Kate Lallier
Math	-	Catherine Cipriano
Music	-	Joan Blyskal
Nurses	-	Cathy Hicks
Phys Ed	-	Joseph Mangini
Reading	-	Laurie Arnone
Speech	-	Katie Herr
Sixth Grade	-	Joseph Schumpf

Science

WLB - Christine Brenneis
RWC - Andrea Sommella
BAS - Susan Leggett

Technology

WLB - David LeWinter
RWC - Jean Oestreich
BAS - Michael Neri

Clubs

William. L. Buck School

Art Portfolio Club - Laura Donovan
Newspaper Club - Katie Herr
Safety Patrol - Joseph Schumpf
Student Government - Carol Cannonito/Christine Iadevaio

Brooklyn Avenue School

Art Portfolio Club - Jane Berzner
Book Club - Marie Malkiewicz/Paola Gilbert
Library Club - Stephanie Cuzzo
Student Government - Denise Andersen/Linda Biley

Robert W. Carbonaro School

Art Portfolio Club - Jessica Garfinkel
Literacy Club - Kate Lallier
Safety Patrol - Drew Jakubowski
Student Council - Pam Fowler/Catherine Haufler

District – Instrumental Music

Jr. Orchestra – B Club – Gary Garzetta
Sr. Orchestra – B Club – Gary Garzetta
Jr. Band – B Club – Nick Shmorhun
Sr. Band – B Club - Nick Shmorhun

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: 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 #: 442301675; 442301813; 442301817; and 442301830. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: 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 #: 442301861; 442301837; 442301904; 442301730; 442301808; 442300031; and 442300342. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board shall accept the Treasurer's Report, Interest Report, Collateral Report, Claims Auditor's Report, Appropriation Status Report, Revenue Status Report, and Trial Balance Report for August, 2015. 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. Mr. Iadevaio advised the audience that at the last High School Board meeting AP Scholarship Awards were given out to 305 students throughout the district. He also announced that the next Residence Meeting was scheduled for November 23rd at 8:30 AM.

LEGAL REPORT – Representative from the law firm, Lamb & Barnosky, LLP – There was no report this evening.

PUBLIC RELATIONS REPORT – A copy of this report is affixed to these Minutes.

LEGISLATION REPORT – A copy of this report is affixed to these Minutes.

BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – A copy of this report is affixed to these Minutes.

POLICY COMMITTEE -

Motion: Anthony Iadevaio, seconded by Donna LaRocco, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts the following revised policies:

Policy # 5110.1 – Entrance/Placement/Residency

Policy # 9341.8 – Order of Business of Regular Meetings

Policy # 9342 – Special Meetings of the Board of Education

Policy # 9342.8 – Order of Business of Special Meeting

Policy # 9410 – Reorganization Meeting

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Anthony Iadevaio, seconded by John Maier, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education rescinds the following policy:

Policy # 9341.41 – Emergency Executive Sessions

Motion unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS, IF ANY - None

Motion: Paul DePace, seconded by Anthony Iadevaio to continue with a Consent Agenda for the remainder of the agenda. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board amend the motion from the September 16, 2015 meeting under New Business as follows: that the Board appoints Angela Liatto as Senior Typist Clerk, effective September 17, 2015. This appointment is a promotional appointment in accordance with Nassau County Civil Service. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve and sign the agreement between the Valley Stream Union Free School District 24 and Martin de Porres School for tuition for one student for the 2015-2016 school year at \$34,855. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education ratifies the revised Side Agreement for Staff Development/Workshop Instructors/Operation Success held outside the regular school day, between the Valley Stream Union Free School District Twenty-Four and Valley Stream Teachers' Association for the period of July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2019. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the following charities for the District for the 2015-2016 school year:

- Island Harvest - William L. Buck PTA
- Leukemia Society (Pennies for Patients) – Brooklyn Avenue PTA
- St. Jude's Children's Hospital – Robert W. Carbonaro PTA

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve a Budget Transfer as follows:

CODE	DESCRIPTION	FROM	TO
A2250.490	BOCES Services	\$31,377.00	
A2250.477	Special Ed Tuition		\$31,377.00

Transfer needed for an additional Special Ed Student

TOTAL: \$31,377.00 \$31,377.00

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools that, the Board of Education approve the following Transportation expenses for the 2015-2016 school year. These amounts are approximate awaiting bills and adjustments. Contracts to follow:

<u>Company</u>	<u>School</u>	<u># of Students</u>	<u>Monthly Cost</u>	<u>Matron</u>	<u>Yearly</u>
Independent (new Resident)	Oholei Torah	1	2150.00 per month (9 months)		\$ 19,350.00
Baumann Bus (new CSE student)	Marten DePorres	1	680.00 ppm (9 months)		\$ 6,120.00
Valley Stream CHSD (cross contract)	Brother Fox/Kellenberg	2	114.86 ppm (10 months)		\$ 2,297.20

TOTAL STUDENTS: 4 TOTAL PROJECTED COST: \$ 27,767.00

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion Anthony Iadevaio, seconded by John Maier to adjourn the meeting at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted

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