

VALLEY STREAM SCHOOL DISTRICT 24
MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION AND REGULAR
MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION
AUGUST 26, 2015

The Work Session was called to order by President Trogel at 7:30 PM. The Board discussed enrollments and sections for the school year. Dr. Fale made the recommendation that we will be moving the primary CID class from Carbonaro over to the William L. Buck School because according to enrollments we will need a third Kindergarten class at Carbonaro and there will not be room for CID there. We will not be able to make just one Kindergarten class at Brooklyn Avenue since there are already 29 students enrolled. Trustee Iadevaio asked if the move of CID to the William L. Buck School would be a permanent move and Dr. Fale advised that we would have to make a determination each year. Trustee Iadevaio also asked how this move would affect APPR scores and Dr. Fale advised that it will be better since these scores will not count.

It was discussed that a part-time Physical Education would be appointed because we could not schedule just the current Physical Education teachers so they could have teacher prep time. We are in need of an hourly Special Education teacher to service the parochial school students and at the William L. Buck School. We will repost the position since the person who we thought would take this position may have a full time position elsewhere.

We will also be recalling 2 teachers who were excessed to fill in for positions that have opened up. It was asked if any money would have to be moved for these positions by President Trogel but the answer was no. We will have to move money in the budget for transportation costs which have risen. Any lobbying that is done next year should focus on transportation costs for private schools and special services.

Dr. Fale gave an update on the Paving Project advising the Board that we were not satisfied with the cement work. The work was sloppy with uneven edging and elevations. Dr. Fale advised that he and Jack Mitchell, Charlie Brocher and H2M met with the President of Graci Contracting, Angelo Graci, He advised us that he would have workers on site the next day to make the corrections. He was advised that he would not be paid until the work was done. The paving work with the

asphalt is good. We had to go with the low bidder for this job and his cost was \$70,000 lower than the next bidder.

The Board started to review the agenda and had some questions on Personnel items.

Motion: Paul DePace, seconded by Donna LaRocco to enter into Executive Session to continue discussion of a particular personnel matters and seek legal advice from the attorney, at 8:13 PM.

Executive session was adjourned at 8:52 PM.

President Trogel called the meeting to order at 8:55 PM and apologized to the audience for being late.

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

Others Present: Superintendent Fale, Dr. Lisa Conte, Mr. Jack Mitchell, Mrs. Vanessa Myers and Attorney Mara Harvey.

Mr. Trogel led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion: Paul DePace, seconded by Armando Hernandez to approve the Minutes of July 8 and August 11, 2015. Motion unanimously carried.

President Trogel welcomed Visitors and advised that if there were any questions or comments relevant to tonight's meeting the audience should fill out a card and give to the District Clerk.

Dr. Fale welcomed the audience and advised them that we met Common Core and followed New York State standards and our test scores met or exceeded the County average in Math and met our goals in ELA. He introduced Dr. Lisa Conte who would present data for testing and she advised that we met our CDEP Goals and explained how each classroom had their modules to work from. Dr. Conte advised that we give NWEA (Northwest Educational Association) tests that are computer based and give us information on your child.

Questions were asked if we were re-instating music in third grade. The answer was no that we were not reinstating the two part-time teachers who taught third grade music. The audience asked where the bullet aid money was going and Dr. Dr. Fale advised that part of it went to the new classroom at Carbonaro and we would be holding the rest of it for next year since our tax cap will be only at .7 percent for 2016-2017.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by John Maier, that 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 Meghan Carey, as an Elementary Physical Education Teacher (Part-time .5), effective September 1, 2015. 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/ BA+30. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by Anthony Iadevaio, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education does hereby approve Nicole Foster for unpaid leave for the purpose of childcare for the 2015-2016 school year. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by Armando Hernandez that, 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 recall Matthew Roth, an Elementary Classroom Teacher who was excessed, from the Preferred Eligibility List established March 25, 2015. Mr. Roth's appointment will be effective September 1, 2015. Compensation will be in accordance with the current negotiated agreement between the Valley Stream Teachers' Association and the Board of Education. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by Anthony Iadevaio that, 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 recall Kathleen Carter, an Elementary Classroom Teacher who was excessed, from the Preferred Eligibility List established March

25, 2015, to fill the encumbered position from the period of October 1, 2015 to June 30, 2015. Compensation will be in accordance with the current negotiated agreement between the Valley Stream Teachers' Association and the Board of Education. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by Armando Hernandez, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education, does hereby appoint Daniel Onorato as Part-time Assistant to the Superintendent for Pedagogical Data and Assessment which is an instructional support service position, at a salary of \$20,000. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by Paul DePace that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, The Board of Education adds the following to the per diem substitute list for the 2015-2016 school year: Nina Alsofrom, Anna Amiel, Lawrence Brenner, Kathleen Carter, Marlene Coyle, Susan Faber (nurse), Michelle Forni, Stephen Franzino, Christie Grauna, Ellen Gutwein, Shirley Hanein Lane, Narlini Harnanan, Teresa Iadevaio, Ann Jeffrey-Wilensky, Erica Librizzi, Robin Lipman, Leigh Nahman, Alida Pesola, Maud Pierre, Roslyn Prince, Narjis Sheikh, Jessica Shuldiner, Viviana Vargas, Amanda Whitney. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by Donna LaRocco that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the appointment of the following full time Teacher Aides, effective September 1, 2015: Theresa Shanahan and Dana James, and the following part time aide: Nicole Paduano. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by Armando Hernandez that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the following salary changes:

Karen Brass	-	Step 8 MA+60
Kelly Carr	-	Step 25 MA+60
Chelsea Cittadino	-	Step 3 MA+45
Jessica Garfinkel	-	Step 3 MA+30
Maria Herzner	-	Step 12 MA +45
Joseph Schumpf	-	Step 8 MA+15
Ashley Wilkey	-	Step 7 MA+30

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by Anthony Iadevaio that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the following Salary/ Gate Increments as follows:

William L. Buck School:

Nicole Zenie	Level 15	October 1, 2015
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Robert W. Carbonaro School:

Andrea Carra	Level 10	September 1, 2015
Marie Healy	Level 15	September 1, 2015
Jean Oestreich	Level 15	September 1, 2015
Margaret Otton	Level 15	September 1, 2015
Stacy Pagliaro	Level 15	October 1, 2015

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Armando Hernandez, seconded by Donna LaRocco, that 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 #: 442301768, 44230170, 442301771, 442301775, 442301778, 442301787, 442301790 and 442301385. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Armando Hernandez, seconded by John Maier, that 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 #: 442300701, 442301730, and 442301808. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Armando Hernandez, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board shall accept the Treasurer's Report, Interest Report, Collateral Report, Appropriation Status Report, Revenue Status Report, Trial Balance Report and Internal Claims Report for June, 2015. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Lawrence Trogel, seconded by Armando Hernandez that, the President of the Board of Education will appoint the following chairpersons for the following board committees:

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| a) Education | Armando Hernandez |
| b) Finance | John Maier |
| c) Policy | Anthony Iadevaio |
| d) Buildings & Grounds | Donna LaRocco |
| e) Legislation | Anthony Iadevaio |
| f) Public Relations | Paul DePace |
| g) Personnel | Lisa Pellicane |

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Lawrence Trogel, seconded by Anthony Iadevaio that, the President of the Board of Education will appoint the following board members to serve on the following negotiating committees:

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| a) Teachers | Lisa Pellicane |
| | Lawrence Trogel |
| b) Administrators | Paul DePace |
| c) Secretaries | Anthony Iadevaio |
| d) Custodians | Armando Hernandez |

BE IT RESOLVED, to authorize the board members, officers of the board, and the Superintendent of Schools to attend the State and National School Board conventions, with expenses paid by the District, as follows:

- New York State School Boards – October 18-20, New York City
- National School Boards Association – April 9-11, 2016, Boston MA

NO MOTION WAS MADE ON THE ABOVE ITEM SO IT WAS REMOVED FROM THE TABLE.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Armando Hernandez to authorize the Superintendent of Schools to attend the American Association of School Administrators, and State conferences of the New York State Council of School Superintendents, with expenses paid by the District. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Donna LaRocco, seconded by Anthony Iadevaio that, Dr. Edward Fale and Dr. Lisa Conte are hereby certified as Qualified Lead Evaluators of Valley Stream UFSD #24 (classroom teachers/building principals) having successfully completed the training requirements prescribed in 8 NYCRR Sec 30-2.9(b):

- (a) The New York State Teaching Standards, and their related elements and performance indicators/the Leadership Standards and their related functions;
- (b) Evidence-based observation techniques that are grounded in research;
- (c) Application and use of the student growth percentile model and the value-added growth model as defined in 8 NYCRR Sec 30-2.2;
- (d) Application and use of the State approved rubrics selected by the Valley Stream UFSD Twenty-Four for use in the evaluation of classroom teachers/building principals, including training on the effective application of such rubric to observe classroom teacher's building principal's practice;
- (e) Application and use of the assessment tools that the Valley Stream UFSD and BOCES utilizes to evaluate its classroom teacher/building principals, including but not limited to structured

- portfolio reviews; student, parent, teacher, community feedback/
professional growth goals*; school improvement goals, etc.;
- (f) Application and use of the State approved locally selected measures of student achievement used by the Valley Stream UFSD Twenty-Four to evaluate its classroom teachers/principals;
 - (g) The scoring methodology utilized by the Department and the Valley Stream UFSD Twenty-Four to evaluate a classroom teacher/building principal under 8NYCRR Sec 30-2, including:
 1. How scores are generated for each subcomponent and the composite effectiveness score of classroom teachers/building principals, and
 2. Application and use of the scoring ranges prescribed by the Commissioner for the designated rating categories used for the overall rating of classroom teachers/principals and their subcomponent ratings; and
 - (h) Specific considerations in evaluating classroom teachers/building principals of English language learners and students with disabilities.

Training on the use of the Statewide Instructional Reporting System, also required by 8NYCRR Sec 30-2.9 (b), will be provided once the NYS Education Department makes available the information required for such training.

This certification has been issued in accordance with the process for certifying lead evaluators described in the Valley Stream UFSD Twenty-Four's annual professional performance review plan.

**Professional growth goals constitute one of the assessment tools available for the evaluation of classroom teachers under the "other measures of effectiveness" subcomponent of annual professional performance reviews conducted during the 2015-2016 school year only.*

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Paul DePace, seconded by John Maier that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the tuition contract Summer 2015 session and the 10 month School Year for 2015-2016 with Variety Child Learning Center, according to rates set by the NYS Education Department. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Anthony Iadevaio, seconded by Donna LaRocco that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes its President to sign the contract for services provided by Caryl Oris, M.D. for the 2015-2016 school year, as a psychiatric consultant to evaluate students in their school building and provide a diagnostic assessment. The fee for an evaluation will be \$1,300 and the fee for participation in CSE meetings will be \$325 per hour. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by John Maier that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes its President to sign the Health & Welfare Service Agreement with the Long Beach Public School for services provided for one student for the 2014-2015 school year at a cost of \$651.69 per year. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Armando Hernandez that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes its President to sign the agreement for health services provided by the East Rockaway School District for the 2014-2015 school year for eight (8) students at a tuition cost of \$1,119.58 each for a total of \$8,956.64. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Armando Hernandez, seconded by Donna LaRocco that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Superintendent of Schools of the Valley Stream Union Free School District No. 24 in the County of Nassau, New York, be authorized to transfer \$337,952 from the Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve Fund to fund cash payments made or to be made for accrued and accumulated but unused sick leave, personal leave, holiday leave, vacation time, and other benefits earned by employees and payable upon termination or retirement. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Donna LaRocco, seconded by Anthony Iadevaio that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools of the Valley Stream Union Free School District No. 24 in the County of Nassau, New York, be authorized to utilize the Retirement Reserve Fund for \$181, 547 to fund a portion of the District's annual obligation to the New York State and Local Employees Retirement System for the 2014-2015 school year as per the 2014-2015 budget. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Paul DePace, seconded by Donna LaRocco that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Budget Transfer as follows:

CODE	DESCRIPTION	FROM	TO
A2110.473	Charter School Tuition	\$25,000	
A9060.8	Hosp & Med Insurance	23,706	
A2250.477	Special Ed-Tuition		\$48,706

- BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Transportation Contracts for the 2015-2016 school year. These amounts are approximate awaiting bills, adjustments and contracts.

Transportation Contracts for 2015-2016 School Year

The following is a list of district transportation for the 2015-2016 school year for board approval at the next Board meeting. 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>
<u>ACME</u>	Beth Rivkah	3	\$ 4,183.14	Van	\$ 41,831.40
	Hamza	4	\$ 2,047.18	pm	\$ 20,471.80
	Brandeis School	4	\$ 1,385.84	pm	\$ 13,858.40
<u>BAUMANN</u>	Ideal Montessori	1	\$ 633.00	pppm	\$ 6,330.00

	UCP-Children's Learning	1	\$ 1,560.00 ppm	(1) \$ 990.00	\$25,500.00
	William L. Buck School	1	\$ 1,190.00 ppm		\$ 11,900.00
	School for Lang/Communic.	1	\$ 1,666.00 ppm	(1) \$1,700.00	\$33,660.00
FIRST STUDENT	Variety Child Learning	2	\$ 630.76 ppm	(1) \$ 1,426.60	\$ 6,881.20
INDEPENDENT	Holy Family	1	\$ 3,606.84 Van		\$36,068.40
	Crescent School	2	\$ 1,786.06 pm		\$ 17,860.60
	Progressive School	2	\$ 4,133.06 pm		\$ 41,330.60
	Our Lady of Peace	1	\$ 399.00 ppm		\$ 3,990.00
	St. Agnes-RVC	1	\$ 314.00 ppm		\$ 3,140.00
VETERAN'S	WLB/RWC (2 buses)	30	\$ 3,191.38 1 st ppm +401.70 ea addl pupil=\$148,406.80		
				(2) \$ 2,212.35 ea. =	\$ 44,247.00
	Willow Rd. School	1	\$ 911.00 ppm	(1) \$ 2,100.00	\$ 30,111.00
	(New Resident- Educ.Institute Oholei Torah	1	\$ 2,655.00 ppm		\$ 26,550.00
	(Approximate move-in date: September 16, 2015)				
WE TRANSPORT	St Anne's	2	\$ 740.34 pm		\$ 7,403.40
	Lawrence Woodmere Acad	2	\$ 1,115.92 pm		\$ 11,159.20
	Linden SDA	2	\$ 1,222.80 pm		\$ 12,228.00
	Al Ihsan Academy	1	\$ 1,181.00 ppm		\$ 11,810.00
	St. Raymond's	1	\$ 229.00 ppm		\$ 2,290.00
	LI Hebrew Academy	1	\$ 1,181.00 ppm		\$ 11,810.00
	Brother Fox Latin School	2	\$ 242.00 ppm		\$ 4,840.00
BOCES	Jerusalem Avenue	3	\$ 555.60 ppm	(1) \$2,593.40	\$ 42,602.00
	Seaman Neck School	1	\$ 555.60 ppm	(1) \$2,593.40	<u>\$ 31,490.00</u>
	TOTAL STUDENTS:	71	TOTAL PROJECTED COST:		\$ 667,769. 80

Members of the audience requested to speak to the Board regarding certain matters. Mrs. Carrano asked if there would be 3 fourth grade classes at Carbonaro since there were 59 students. She was advised that there would be. Mrs. Morales opposed the Board of Education attending Conferences since we cut educational items from the Budget. Mr. DePace answered that this was Professional Development for Board members and that the total amount has been drastically reduced over the years. President Trogel said it would be noted for future discussions.

President Trogel also advised that Superintendent Conferences were contractual and two of them were Legislative and for lobbying purposes.

Questions were asked about costs to the District for the Summer Camp Program run by the JCC. Dr. Fale advised that over 51 percent of our students attended and there was no cost to the District.

Motion: Anthony Iadevaio, seconded by Lisa Pellicane to adjourn the meeting and enter into Executive Session to discuss particular student matters. The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 PM.

The Board entered Executive Session and the District Clerk was excused for the evening.

Respectfully Submitted,

Johanna Owen

Johanna Owen
District Clerk