

VALLEY STREAM SCHOOL DISTRICT 24
MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION AND
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION

April 19, 2016

8:30 PM

The Work Session Meeting was called to order by President Trogel at 7:32 PM following the Special Meeting of the Board of Education for the BOCES Budget Vote. Dr. Fale advised the Board that they should determine if they still would like to consider putting together a bond for expansion of facilities, whether they would like to send out a Request for Proposal (RFP) for Architects for construction projects. Once an RFP is sent out then the Board will have to set aside time to interview architects. Mrs. LaRocco asked if we should definitely decide if we are doing a bond before putting out an RFP.

Dr. Fale said that having the Public Relations firms coming in to speak to the Board would give them valuable information that will be necessary if we wish to carry forward with a bond. The Public Relations firms would not charge to come in to speak to the Board and it will be a good opportunity for the Board to ask whatever questions at that time. The firms will guide us with options. They will tell us what they have done in other districts as well as what they feel will work for our district.

Mr. Maier advised that we are out of space in the buildings and we need to get the students out of the hallways. Mr. Hernandez advised that we really need to decide what we wish to do with Brooklyn Avenue. Mr. Trogel advised that we cannot continue to put a band-aid on the problem. Mrs. Myers spoke about how we built small rooms for certain classrooms, such as ESL, Resource Room and Reading and they work very well.

It was decided that at the May 4th Work Session we should discuss space needs and availability and what it would take to get everyone in a classroom for the maximum number at all times.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Armando Hernandez, to enter into Executive Session at 8:02 PM to discuss the employment history of particular individuals and a particular student matter and seek legal advice from the Board's attorney.

The work session was adjourned at 8:32 PM and the Board entered into the regular Board meeting.

President Trogel called the regular meeting to order at 8:47 PM. The meeting took place at the Robert W. Carbonaro School on April 19, 2016 immediately following the Work Session meeting.

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

Members Absent with Prior Notice: None

Others Present: Superintendent Fale, Attorney Mara Harvey, 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 March 30 and April 6, 2016.

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

District Clerk reported that a teacher submitted a letter requesting unpaid leave for childcare for the 2016-2017 school year.

Dr. Fale welcomed the audience and thanked Mr. Iacono for hosting this meeting at the Robert W. Carbonaro School.

Dr. Fale told the audience that the Board adopted a tax cap compliant budget at the April 6th meeting preserving all current programs and that this is a budget that the community will support. He reminded the audience that at the May 4th meeting there would be a Budget Hearing at 8:15 PM at the William L. Buck School.

Mr. Trogel advised the audience that he would not be at the May 4th meeting and that the Vice President, Mrs. Pellicane, would take over for that meeting.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by John Maier, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves a request from Amy Rappaport for unpaid childcare leave for the 2016-2017 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 hereby approves Christopher Kulda, as Substitute Cleaner, effective April 20, 2016. Compensation will be in accordance with the agreement between the District and Local 74-United Service Workers Union (USWU). Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by Anthony Iadevaio, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following persons to serve as election inspectors for the Annual Budget Vote Meeting on May 17, 2016, compensation at the rate of \$130.00 for the day:

Brooklyn Avenue School

Grace Covelli, Mary Jane Huseman, Ann Huseman, Peter Khan.

William L. Buck School

Marie Alcindor, Michael Boro, Carol Buccino, Kathleen Caiati, Antonina Carlino, Nadege de Tassegalles, Marcelle Freidman, Linda Greenfield, Cynthia Giugliano, Alida Pesola, Shoshana Sharaby, Lisa Stamile.

S. Corona Avenue Firehouse

Dorothy Kircher, Diane Johnson

Robert W. Carbonaro School

Janie Carter, Brian Dunlop, David Dunlop, Ruth Ganness, Sirhan Lawrence, Elaine Levy, Kathleen Pacheco, Jacqueline Quallis, Eileen Sherman, Devora Thomas, Blanche Werner.

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by John Maier, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following persons to serve as chief election inspectors for the Annual Budget Meeting on May 17, 2016, compensation at the rate of \$155.00 for the day.

Barbara Carroll, Maria Pontrello, Ronald Garofalo, and Dorothy Kircher.

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Armando Hernandez, seconded by Paul DePace, 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 #: 442301305, 442301395, 442301972, 442301263, 442301321, 442301771, and 442301830.

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Armando Hernandez, seconded by Paul DePace, that, the Board of Education accepts the recommendation 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 #: 442301565, 442301936, 442301273, 442301730, 442301770, 442301337, 442301710, 442301483, 442301540, 442301723, 442300000, 442300968, 442300969, 442300291, 442300342, 442300543, 442300565, 442301436, 442301565, 442300436, 442301565, 442301935, 442301936, 442300361, 442300030, 442300342, 442300694, 442301185, 442300724, 442300160, and 442300938. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Anthony Iadevaio, that, 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, Trial Balance Report and Projected Cash Flow Report for February, 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 advised that the main part of the High School meeting was the presentation of Sports Awards.

LEGAL REPORT – Representative from the law firm, Lamb & Barnosky, LLP, Mara Harvey, Esq. reported on the Property Tax Relief Program for homeowners from 2016-2019. For the 2016 year everyone who is eligible will receive \$130. For the remaining years it will depend on the basic STAR and value of property.

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

LEGISLATION REPORT – There was no report this evening.

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

POLICY COMMITTEE – Mr. Anthony Iadevaio, Chairperson

Motion: Anthony Iadevaio, seconded by John Maier, that, the Board of Education adopt the following revised policies:

- Policy #9120 – Number of Members and Term of Office
- Policy # 9135 – Appointment to the High School Board
- Policy # 9260 – Counsel
- Policy # 9320.2 – Board Information Requests
- Policy # 9500 – Annual Meeting/Budget Vote Calling and Notice of Elections

Motion unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS, IF ANY - None

Motion: Armando Hernandez, seconded by Paul DePace, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board hereby approves the Property Tax Report Card for the 2016-2017 school year. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Paul DePace, seconded by Armando Hernandez, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board hereby authorizes the District to enter into an Agreement with Nassau BOCES for the purpose of the participation in the Nassau BOCES Regional Summer School Program from July 5 to July 29, 2016. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Lisa Pellicane, seconded by Paul DePace, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the awards the transportation consultant contract in cooperation with the Nassau County Southwest Transportation Consortium, to Nancy Nunziata for the period July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017, in the amount not to exceed \$3,750. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Anthony Iadevaio, seconded by John Maier, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves its President to sign the Textbook Central Agreement for Centralized Textbook Distribution Services for the 2016-2017 school year for textbook information and management services between Valley Stream UFSD Twenty Four at given rate according to the agreement. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Armando Hernandez, that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves a Transportation Contract with Independent Bus Company from April 14, through June 30, 2016, at the cost of \$1,000 per month. This contract is necessary for a child under the McKinney-Vento Homeless Act. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: Anthony Iadevaio, seconded by Armando Hernandez, that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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