

Regular meeting of the Board of Education of Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen held in the Auditorium at James A. Dever School on Tuesday, January 24, 2012.

<u>BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT</u>	<u>OTHERS PRESENT</u>
Trustee Chiachiere Trustee DiSibio Trustee Douglas Trustee Evans Trustee Gartner Trustee Greco Jacobs	Trustee Stris	Superintendent Robb-Fund Asst. Supt. for Business Brosnan Asst. Supt. for Curric. & Instr. Roth Asst. Supt. for Special Services Sells-Asch School District Attorneys Frazer, Perna* Principal Capozzoli Principal Gruen Principal Zerillo Approximately 100 Visitors

Convening

The meeting was convened at 7:15p.m. by President Chiachiere.

CONVENING

Quorum

Six members being present, a quorum was determined.

QUORUM

Executive Session

An Executive Session was held immediately to discuss the employment history of a particular person in accordance with the Taylor Law and legal advice on a motion made by Trustee DiSibio, seconded by Trustee Gartner and carried unanimously. The Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents and attorneys were invited to attend.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

\*7:20 p.m. Attorneys Frazer and Perna arrived.

Reconvening

The meeting was reconvened at 8:08 p.m. by President Chiachiere.

RECONVENING

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome

Quorum

Six members being present, a quorum was determined.

QUORUM

Approval of the Minutes

To approve the Minutes of the December 20, 2011 meeting.

MINUTES OF 12/20/11  
MEETING

Moved by Trustee DiSibio, seconded by Trustee Evans and carried unanimously.

Correspondence

Correspondence received from Frazer & Feldman:

- Tax Cap Law and Propositions
- Freedom of Information Law Update 2012
- Property Tax Cap and Transportation
- Revised NYS Procedural Safeguards notice

CORRESPONDENCE

**Report of the Superintendent of Schools**

Dr. Adrienne Robb-Fund

Superintendent Robb-Fund advised that the topic of the Education Report will be Dignity for All Students. The sixth grade students completed the NWEA Assessment in Reading. The teachers are integrating the Common Core Learning Standards for New York into math and ELA lessons and the principals and administrative team have been attending required workshops to learn about the implementation of the requirements of the APPR and Race to the Top.

Recognition of students selected for the All County Music Festival

Fifty students were recognized for being selected to perform at the All County Music Festival. The participants received Certificates of Recognition presented by Board President Chiachiere. Dr. Robb-Fund and Dr. Chiachiere thanked the music teachers, parents, and students for their work and dedication to the music program. Michael Soscia, Coordinator of Music, presented the Board of Education and Superintendent with a thank-you poster from the students.

Resignation of a Noon Hour Aide/Bus Monitor

To accept the resignation of Solflor Lopez-Lijo as a Noon Hour Aide at Willow Road School and a Bus Monitor effective January 13, 2012.

S. LOPEZ-LIJO RESIGNED AS  
NHA/BUS MONITOR

Moved by Trustee Greco Jacobs, seconded by Trustee Gartner and carried unanimously.

Employment of an Hourly Classroom Aide

To employ Tracey Leichtle as an Hourly Classroom Aide assigned to the Willow Road School effective January 17 through June 30, 2012, not to exceed 8.5 hours per week, at Step 1 (\$16,254 pro-rated).

T. LEICHTLE EMPLOYED AS AN HOURLY CRA

Moved by Trustee DiSibio, seconded by Trustee Douglas and carried unanimously.

Employment of a Noon Hour Aide

To employ Christine Vila as a Noon Hour Aide assigned to Willow Road School on Step 1 (\$10.10 per hour) effective January 17, 2012, and unless sooner terminated.

C. VILA EMPLOYED AS A NHA

Moved by Trustee Douglas, seconded by Trustee Gartner and carried unanimously.

**Committee Reports**

**EDUCATION** [S. Douglas, J. Greco Jacobs]

Education Report

Darren Gruen, James A. Dever Principal, gave a PowerPoint presentation representing “Dignity for All Students.” Several students participated in the presentation.

Credit for Advanced Study

To approve the Credit for Advanced Study as listed in accordance with the VSTA/Board Agreement effective 2/1/12:

CREDIT FOR ADVANCED STUDY

Name	From	To
Maura Lachance	4MA+30	5MA+45
Kristen Mundy	6MA+15	7MA+30
Cathy Ricchiuti	8MA+15	9MA+30
Anne Marie Scialabba	6MA+30	7MA+45

Moved by Trustee Douglas, seconded by Trustee Greco Jacobs and carried unanimously.

Substitute Teacher List

To approve the updated Substitute Teacher List for the 2011-2012 school year.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER LIST APPROVED AS UPDATED

Moved by Trustee Douglas, seconded by Trustee Gartner and carried unanimously.

**BUSINESS** [D. Evans, J. DiSibio]

Treasurer’s Report

To approve the Treasurer’s Report dated November 30, 2011.

TREASURER’S REPORT APPROVED

Moved by Trustee Evans, seconded by Trustee Gartner and carried unanimously.

Memorandum of Agreement – VSTA-Registered Nurses’ Unit

To approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen Board of Education and the VSTA-Registered Nurses’ Unit effective July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2014.

MOA-VSTA-RN UNIT APPROVED

Moved by Trustee Evans, seconded by Trustee DiSibio and carried unanimously.

VSTAEOP Promotion to Step 8

To approve the Promotion from Step 7 to Step 8 for Valerie Logreira, Secretary assigned to Howell Road School, effective January 1, 2012 in accordance with the VSTAEOP/Board Agreement effective 9/1/09.

V. LOGREIRA STEP 8 ADVANCEMENT APPROVED

Moved by Trustee Evans, seconded by Trustee Douglas and carried unanimously.

License Agreement with Transfinder

To approve the License Agreement with Transfinder to provide transportation software, maintenance, and support with a cost of \$4,995 effective January 1, 2012.

LICENSE AGREEMENT APPROVED - TRANSFINDER TRANSPORTATION

Moved by Trustee Evans, seconded by Trustee Gartner and carried unanimously.

Substitute Cleaner Position

To establish the position of a substitute cleaner at an hourly rate of \$13.40 effective 2011-2012.

SUBSTITUTE CLEANER POSITION APPROVED

Moved by Trustee Evans, seconded by Trustee Douglas and carried unanimously.

Stipulation of Agreement - Grievance

BE IF HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen approve the terms of a Stipulation of Settlement dated January 11, 2012 between the Board of Education and the CSEA, Local 1000 and Steve Ciervo, regarding the contract grievance and;

STIPULATION OF AGREEMENT APPROVED

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT the Superintendent of Schools be authorized to take all necessary action to execute said Stipulation of Settlement on behalf of the Board.

Moved by Trustee Evans, seconded by Trustee Douglas and carried unanimously.

Date Correction for the Salary for the Supervisor of School Facilities and Operations  
To correct the 2011-2012 salary effective date for Jim Daly, Supervisor of School Facilities and Operations to January 26, 2012.

J. DALY SALARY EFFECTIVE  
JANUARY 26, 2012

Moved by Trustee Evans, seconded by Trustee DiSibio and carried unanimously.

**POLICY COMMITTEE [W. Stris, J. Gartner]**

Policies for 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading & Adoption

To adopt the following policies:  
0340 Evaluation of Support Staff  
6700-R Purchasing Regulation

POLICIES FOR 2<sup>ND</sup> READING  
0340/6700-R

Moved by Trustee Gartner, seconded by Trustee DiSibio and carried unanimously.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE [Vice President J. Gartner]**

Committee on Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Special Education Reviews dated 12/21Wi, 12/21H, 12/22D, 12/22/11ERSD, 1/10Wh, and 1/10/12Wh.

CSE REVIEWS APPROVED

Moved by Trustee Gartner, seconded by Trustee DiSibio and carried unanimously.

Committee on Pre-School Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Pre-School Education Reviews dated 12/20/11, 1/10, and 1/13/12.

CPSE REVIEWS APPROVED

Moved by Trustee Gartner, seconded by Trustee DiSibio and carried unanimously.

Impartial Hearing Officer Rotational List

To add Roslyn Roth as an Impartial Hearing Officer and to remove Murray Diamond as an Impartial Hearing Officer.

IHO LIST UPDATED AS LISTED

Moved by Trustee Gartner, seconded by Trustee DiSibio and carried unanimously.

Home Tutoring

To approve Home Tutoring for a Willow student immediately during the 2011-2012 school year. The tutor is Jennifer Glatzer.

HOME TUTORING APPROVED

Moved by Trustee Gartner, seconded by Trustee Douglas and carried unanimously.

Conference Attendance

To approve attendance at the American Association of School Administrators' Conference to be held in Houston, Texas from February 16-19, 2012.

CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE  
APPROVED

Moved by Trustee Gartner, seconded by Trustee DiSibio and carried unanimously.

**Report of the Attorney  
Florence Frazer**

Attorney Frazer reported on a newly adopted local law "The Common Sense Act of 2010" whereby school districts would be responsible for repaying Nassau County for overages of taxes through tax certioraris. School Districts are trying to reverse and annul this law since it would place an added burden on school district budgets.

**Old Business**

President Chiachiere advised that Jeanne Greco Jacobs, President of VSCHSD Board, sent out Requests for Proposal for a Consolidation study. No organizations responded to the RFP, therefore, the study will not move forward.

### Visitors

Mrs. Galina Lambert, a parent at Wheeler Avenue School, submitted a transportation proposition to increase transportation from ½ mile to 1 mile for students in grades four through six. President Chiachiere advised that this proposition will be included on the May 2012 ballot to be presented to the voters.

Mr. Vincent Toma, a Willow Road Parent, requested a public forum on consolidation. President Chiachiere advised him that since there were no responses to the RFP submitted by the lead district, there will be no forum.

### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 p.m. on a motion made by Trustee Evans, seconded by Trustee Gartner and carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

*Denise Michels*

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District Clerk