

Regular meeting of the Board of Education of Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen held in the Auditorium of the James A. Dever School on Tuesday, March 24, 2015.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT **BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Trustee Chiachiere
Trustee DiSibio
Trustee Douglas
Trustee Farrell
Trustee Greco Jacobs
Trustee Pomerantz
Trustee Stris

OTHERS PRESENT

Superintendent Robb-Fund
Assistant Supt. for Sp. Services Sells-Asch
Interim Asst. Supt. for CAT Martin
Interim Asst. Supt. for Business Groveman
Principal Capozzoli
Principal Gruen
Principal Huplosky
Principal Steele
School District Attorney Frazer
District Clerk Michels

Approximately 60 Visitors

Convening

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

CONVENING

Quorum

Seven members being present, a quorum was determined.

QUORUM

Executive Session

The Board immediately moved into Executive Session for the purpose of negotiations and the personnel history of a particular person on a motion made by Trustee Stris, seconded by Trustee Douglas and carried unanimously.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

*7:55 p.m. Assistant Superintendents left Executive Session.

Reconvening

The meeting was reconvened at 8:07 p.m. by President DiSibio.

RECONVENING

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome

Quorum

Seven members being present, a quorum was determined.

QUORUM

Approval of the Minutes

To approve the Minutes of the January 27-February 11, February 24, and March 16, 2015 meetings.

MINUTES OF
MEETINGS APPROVED

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

Correspondence

Frazer & Feldman:

- Information about Special Education Upon Entry to School
- Effective Communication for Students with Hearing, Vision, or Speech Disabilities
- Legal Leaders
- Salient Cases in Special Education

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Adrienne Robb-Fund

Superintendent Robb-Fund gave the following report: The spring concerts will take place this week. District 13 students' art work was displayed at Adelphi and Stony Brook Universities. The VS Council of PTAs hosted the legislative breakfast this year which provided a venue to express concerns regarding state aid and the teacher evaluation system. The Superintendent met with local legislators in Albany as part of Lobby Day to express concern, dismay, and disagreement with the Governor's proposals, the status of state assessments and state aid. State testing will begin on April 14. The district is required to offer each student the opportunity to take the required state assessments. Parents who do not want their child to take the state assessments have submitted letters. Students who will not be taking the state assessments will be assigned to an alternate, supervised location to read or study. The next Budget Ambassador's meeting will be held on Thursday, April 2 at 9 AM in the James A. Dever cafeteria. The Valley Stream 13 budget is at the tax levy limit and is within the tax cap.

Resignation of a Classroom Aide

To accept the resignation of Catherine Rainis as a classroom aide effective February 24, 2015.

C. RAINIS RESIGNED AS A
CRA

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

Stipulation of Settlement

STIPULATION OF SETTLEMENT

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District 13 hereby approves a stipulation of settlement and discontinuance dated February 25, 2015 between the District and an employee identified in Confidential Attachment 1; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby accept the resignation of the employee identified in Confidential Attachment 1; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Superintendent of Schools is authorized to execute the stipulation of settlement and discontinuance dated February 25, 2015 on behalf of the District.

Moved by Trustee Stris, seconded by Trustee Pomerantz and carried unanimously.

Employment of a Classroom Aide

E. GRIMANDO EMPLOYED AS A CRA

To employ Eleanor Grimando as a classroom aide assigned to Howell Road School on Step 1 (\$16,745) in accordance with the VSTA Teacher Aide/Media Aide contract in effect on the date of employment effective March 2, 2015 and unless sooner terminated.

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

Employment of a Classroom Aide

F. TIMES EMPLOYED AS A CRA

To employ Fabiola Times as a classroom aide assigned to Howell Road School on Step 1 (\$16,745) in accordance with the VSTA Teacher Aide/Media Aide contract in effect on the date of employment effective March 25, 2015 and unless sooner terminated.

Moved by Trustee Stris, seconded by Trustee Chiachiere and carried unanimously.

Employment of a Noon Hour Aide

J. CARUCCI EMPLOYED AS A NHA

To employ Julia Carucci as a noon hour aide assigned to Willow Road School on Step 1 (\$10.10 per hour) effective March 25, 2015 and unless sooner terminated.

Moved by Trustee Stris, seconded by Trustee Farrell and carried unanimously.

Committee Reports

EDUCATION [T. Pomerantz, F. Chiachiere]

Education Report

Students were honored for their participation in the All County Art Exhibits in Adelphi and Stony Brook. The Spelling Bee Finalists were recognized from each school.

Superintendent Robb-Fund gave an overview of the Academic Intervention Services Programs.

There was a 3-minute recess, and the meeting reconvened at 8:33 p.m.

Trustee Pomerantz reported that the Education Committee met on March 17 at 11 a.m. The fifth grade is recommending adoption of a new social studies program and plans to use “Discovering Our Past: A History of the US” by McGraw-Hill. New report cards will be presented to the Board in April, and they will be ready for the 2015-2016 school year. The sixth grade is using Google Chrome and coding.

Child Care Leave of Absence – 2nd Year

CCL 2ND YEAR J. HOFFNER APPROVED

To approve a 2nd Year Child Care Leave of Absence for Janet Hoffner, music teacher, effective September 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016.

Moved by Trustee Pomerantz, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

Resignation of a Classroom Teacher

J. FRANCIS RESIGNED AS A CRT

To accept the resignation of Jennifer Francis, classroom teacher, effective July 1, 2015.

Moved by Trustee Pomerantz, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

Resignation of a Classroom Teacher for the Purpose of Retirement

J. MANNION RESIGNATION FOR RETIREMENT ACCEPTED

To accept the resignation for the purpose of retirement, in accordance with Section 5.9 of the VSTA Agreement for Joanne Mannion, classroom teacher assigned to the James A. Dever School effective July 1, 2015.

Moved by Trustee Pomerantz, with regrets and congratulations, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

Resignation of a Classroom Teacher for the Purpose of Retirement
To accept the resignation for the purpose of retirement, in accordance with Section 5.9 of the VSTA Agreement, for Erica Sheid, classroom teacher assigned to the Wheeler Avenue School effective July 1, 2015.

E. SHEID RESIGNATION FOR RETIREMENT ACCEPTED

Moved by Trustee Pomerantz, with regrets and congratulations, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

Resignation of a Music Teacher for the Purpose of Retirement
To accept the resignation for the purpose of retirement, in accordance with Section 5.9 of the VSTA Agreement, for Louis Panacciulli, music teacher assigned to the Howell Road School effective July 1, 2015.

L. PANACCIULLI RESIGNATION FOR RETIREMENT ACCEPTED

Moved by Trustee Pomerantz, with regrets and congratulations, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

Resignation of a Music Teacher for the Purpose of Retirement
To accept the resignation for the purpose of retirement, in accordance with Section 5.9 of the VSTA Agreement, for Michael Soscia, music teacher assigned to the Wheeler Avenue School effective July 1, 2015.

M. SOSCIA RESIGNATION FOR RETIREMENT ACCEPTED

Moved by Trustee Pomerantz, with regrets and congratulations, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

Summer School Principal
To appoint Denise DeMeo as the 2015 Summer School Principal with a salary of \$7,000.

D. DEMEO APPOINTED AS THE SUMMER SCHOOL PRINCIPAL

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

Substitute Teacher List
To approve the updated Substitute Teacher List for the 2014-2015 school year.

SUBSTITUTE LIST UPDATED AND APPROVED

Moved by Trustee Pomerantz, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

BUSINESS COMMITTEE [J. Greco Jacobs, P. Farrell)

Trustee Greco Jacobs reported that the Business Committee will meet on April 2 at 10 AM in the Board Room. Community members are welcome to attend.

Treasurer's Reports
To accept the Treasurer's Reports for the months ending January 31 and February 28, 2015.

TREASURER'S REPORTS ACCEPTED

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

Memorandum of Agreement – VSTA RN Unit
To approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen Board of Education and the VSTA RN Unit for the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2020.

VSTA-RN UNIT MOA APPROVED

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

Health & Welfare Contracts
To approve the Health & Welfare Contracts for the 2014-2015 school year between the Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen Board of Education and Lynbrook UFSD, Malverne UFSD, and Valley Stream UFSD #24.

HEALTH & WELFARE CONTRACTS APPROVED

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

Budget Transfers
To approve the following transfers effective March 25, 2015:

BUDGET TRANSFERS APPROVED

From:

A1310.402-01	Business Admin-TAN Expenses	\$ 4,500
A2010.510-01	Curriculum Journals/Research	1,000
A2020.151-01	Sal-Dept. Supervision	56,000
A2110.404-01	Principals' Assemblies	55
A2250.150-01	Special Ed-Teachers' Salaries	44,000

To:

A1240.409-01	Chief School Admin-Travel & Meetings	\$ 500
A1240.500-01	Chief School Admin-Supplies	1,000
A1620.500-01	Custodial & Cleaning Supplies	3,000
A2010.500-01	Curriculum Dev-Supplies	1,000
A2110.502-01	Art Supplies-District	55
A2250.470-01	Special Ed-Tuition	100,000

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

Property Tax Report Card

To approve the Property Tax Report Card for the 2015-2016 Annual Meeting.

PROPERTY TAX REPORT CARD
APPROVED

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

2015-2016 Proposed Budget (Proposition #1)

That the Board of Education adopts the 2015-2016 Proposed Budget in the amount of \$46,966,691 and that the budget be presented to the voters in our District; and that the District Clerk be directed to place this budget, in the above amount, on the ballot in accordance with previous instructions.

PROPOSITION #1 PROPOSED
BUDGET APPROVED

Moved by Trustee Greco Jacobs, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.
On the Question: Trustee Stris asked if we will be using the lever machines. District Clerk Michels advised that we will be using them this year. At this time, the use of lever machines is approved until the end of this year.

High School District Budget (Proposition #2)

That the proposed budget of expenditures of Valley Stream Central High School District, Nassau County, New York for the year 2015-2016 be approved in the amount of \$109,702,140 and that the sum be raised through a levy upon the taxable property in the Valley Stream High School District, after first deducting the monies from state aid and other sources, as provided by law.

PROPOSITION #2 HS
PROPOSED BUDGET
APPROVED

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

High School District – Capital Reserve Fund (Proposition #3)

Shall the Board of Education be authorized pursuant to Section 3651 of the Education Law to appropriate and expend the maximum amount of \$2,500,000 from the capital reserve fund, established by voters on May 17, 2011, for projects as listed below?

PROPOSITION #3 HS
CAPITAL RESERVE FUND
APPROVED FOR PLACEMENT
ON THE BALLOT

Capital improvements to various District school buildings substantially as described in the summary report developed by the District completed on January 10, 2015 (the “Summary”), which is on file and available for public inspection at the office of the District Clerk, such improvements consisting of restroom renovations, fire safety upgrades, rooftop exhaust fan replacements, exterior door replacements, ADA compliance upgrades, roofing and roof ladder repairs and replacements, installation of carbon monoxide detection and the installation of an emergency communication system; the foregoing to include the original equipment, machinery, apparatus and ancillary or related work required in connection therewith, provided the detailed costs of the components of the Capital improvements as set forth in the Summary may be reallocated among such components if the Board of Education shall determine that such reallocation is in the best interest of the District.

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

Resolution Authorizing Contracts to be Awarded to Bidders Based on Best Value

WHEREAS, section 103, subdivision 1 of the New York General Value Municipal Law, as amended by Chapter 608 of the Laws of 2011 and Chapter 2 of the Laws of 2012, permits schools to award certain contracts which are subject to competitive bidding to either the lowest responsible bidder or to the responsive and responsible offerer based on “best value”; and

BIDS AWARDED BASED ON
BEST VALUE

WHEREAS, in order to make such awards based on best value, the Board must adopt a resolution authorizing the same at a public meeting; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District #13 has determined that it is in the best interest of the District to adopt the resolution authorizing “best value” awards; now, therefore, be it

RESOLVED THAT, the District may make “best value” awards pursuant to the following:

SECTION 1 GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 1.1 Purpose

This Resolution provides for the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District #13 to exercise its local option from § 103, Subdivision 1 of the New York General Municipal Law, as amended by Chapter 608 of the Laws of 2011 and Chapter 2 of the Laws of 2012. This amendment authorizes the District to award purchase contracts and contracts for services subject to competitive bidding under General Municipal Law § 103 on the basis of either lowest responsible bidder or “best value” as defined in § 163 of the New York State Finance Law. The “best value” option may be used if it is more cost efficient over time to award the good or service to other than the lowest responsible bidder if factors such as lower cost of maintenance, durability, higher quality, and longer product life are present.

Section 1.2 Basis for Award

Goods and services procured and awarded on the basis of best value are those that the School Board determines will be of the highest quality while being the most cost efficient. The determination of quality and cost efficiency shall be based on objectively quantified and clearly described and documented criteria, which may include, but shall not be limited to, any or all of the following: cost of maintenance; proximity to the end user if distance or response time is a significant term; durability;

availability of replacement parts or maintenance contractors; longer product life; product performance criteria; and quality of craftsmanship.

Section 1.3 Applicable Contracts

These sections apply to District purchase contracts involving an expenditure of more than \$20,000 and District contracts for services involving an expenditure of more than \$35,000, but excludes purchase contracts necessary for the completion of a public works contract pursuant to Article 8 of the State Labor Law as well as excluding any other contracts in accordance with current or future state law. If the dollar thresholds of General Municipal Law § 103 are increased or decreased in the future by the State Legislature, the dollar thresholds set forth herein shall be deemed simultaneously amended to match the new General Municipal Law thresholds.

Section 1.4 Award based on low bid or best value; Documentation

A quote or proposal for a purchase or contract covered by this Resolution received pursuant to standard bidding procedures may be awarded on either a best value or lowest responsible bidder standard. All information gathered in the course of the bidding procedures of this section shall be filed with the documentation supporting the subsequent purchase or public works contract. When a contract is awarded on the basis of best value rather than a lowest responsible bidder, the basis for determining best value shall be thoroughly and accurately documented.

Section 1.5 Procurement Policy

Any inconsistent provision of the District’s procurement policy, as adopted by resolution of the School Board, or as amended thereafter, shall be deemed superseded by the provisions of this Resolution.

SECTION 2

If any part or provision of this Resolution or the application thereof to any person or circumstance be adjudged invalid by any court of competent jurisdiction, such judgment shall be confined in its operation to the part or provision or application directly involved in the controversy in which such judgment shall have been rendered and shall not affect or impair the validity of the remainder of this Resolution or the application thereof to other persons or circumstances, and the School Board of the District hereby declares that it would have passed this Resolution or the remainder thereof had such invalid application or invalid provision been apparent.

SECTION 3

All resolutions, ordinances, local laws, policies, and parts thereof inconsistent with this Resolution are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4

This Resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

SCOPE 2015 Summer Enrichment Program

To approve the SCOPE 2015 Summer Enrichment Program and authorize the Board President to sign the License Agreement.

SCOPE ENRICHMENT PROGRAM APPROVED

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

On the Question: Trustee Stris asked if we received the quality evaluation regarding the program.

Superintendent Robb-Fund advised him that the quality evaluation is for the SCOPE Before and After School Program.

Syntax Letter of Intent

To approve the Letter of Intent from Syntax for the 2015-2016 school year.

SYNTAX LETTER OF INTENT APPROVED

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

POLICY COMMITTEE [W. Stris, S. Douglas]

The next meeting of the Policy Committee is April 14 at 5 p.m. in the Board Room. Community members are welcome to attend.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE [Vice President T. Pomerantz]

Committee on Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Special Education Reviews dated 2/2, 2/12D, 2/12Wi, 2/12Wi, 2/13, 2/23, 2/24, 2/25, 2/26Wh, 2/26Wh, 2/27H, 2/27H, 3/2D, 3/2Wi, 3/3, 3/6, 3/9D, 3/9Wi, 3/10, and 3/11/15.

CSE REVIEWS ADOPTED

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

Committee on Pre-school Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Pre-school Education Reviews dated 2/11, 2/27, and 3/4/15.

CPSE REVIEWS ADOPTED

Moved by Trustee Pomerantz, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

Special Services Contract

To approve the Special Services Contract for the 2014-2015 school year between the Valley Stream UFSD #13 Board of Education and the Island Trees UFSD.

SPECIAL SERVICES CONTRACT APPROVED

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

Consulting Services Contract

To approve the Consulting Services Contract for Special Education for the 2014-2015 school year between the Valley Stream UFSD #13 Board of Education and Access 7.

ACCESS 7 CONSULTING SERVICES APPROVED

Moved by Trustee Pomerantz, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

Impartial Hearing Officer

To remove the following from the rotational list of Impartial Hearing Officers: Lorraine Gross, Timothy Mahoney, and Aaron Turetsky.

IHO REMOVED FROM ROTATIONAL LIST

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

Appointment of the District Clerk

To appoint Jennifer Grande as the District Clerk effective April 1, 2015 at an annual salary of \$9,000 (pro-rated).

J. GRANDE APPOINTED DISTRICT CLERK

Moved by Trustee Pomerantz, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously. Jennifer Grande was introduced.

District Clerk Mentor

To approve Denise Michels as the mentor for the District Clerk at \$400 per month effective April 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015.

D. MICHELS APPROVED AS THE MENTOR FOR THE DISTRICT CLERK

Moved by Trustee Pomerantz, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

Rules and Regulations for the May 19, 2015 Annual Election

To approve the Rules and Regulations for the May 19, 2015 Annual Election.

RULES & REGULATIONS APPROVED FOR ANNUAL ELECTION

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

Additional Voter Registration

To approve the following as registrars for voter registration at the spring concerts as listed at their hourly rate of pay:

VOTER REGISTRATION APPROVED

James A. Dever	March 24, 2015	6:30 - 7:30 PM	Angela Lucente
Howell Road	March 26, 2015	6:30 - 7:30 PM	Jean Giuliani
Wheeler Avenue	March 26, 2015	6:30 - 7:30 PM	Nancy Mott
Willow Road	March 26, 2015	6:30 - 7:30 PM	Pat Curcio

Moved by Trustee Pomerantz, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

Acceptance of a Gift

WHEREAS, the Valley Stream Thirteen Education Foundation is desirous of contributing to the District an electric information sign; and

GIFT ACCEPTED - INFORMATION SIGN VS ED FOUNDATION

WHEREAS, the Education Foundation is willing to provide such information sign at no cost to the District; and

WHEREAS, the Board intends that such sign be erected in a prominent location so as to provide the greatest benefit to the community;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen hereby gratefully accepts a donation from the Valley Stream Thirteen Education Foundation of the full costs associated with the purchase, delivery, labor, and installation, and any contingent costs associated with an electric information sign.

Moved by Trustee Stris, seconded by Trustee DiSibio.

On the Question: Several community members spoke in favor of the donation of the electric sign, and several community members spoke in opposition of the donation of the sign.

A "no" vote being heard, the District Clerk polled the board:

Trustee Stris	Yes	Trustee Pomerantz	Recused*
Trustee Chiachiere	Yes	Trustee Farrell	Abstained*
Trustee Greco Jacobs	No	Trustee DiSibio	Yes
Trustee Douglas	Yes		

The vote being 4 yes, 1 no and 2 abstentions, the motion carries.

*Recused/Abstained since they are on the VS Ed Foundation Executive Board.

In accordance with Board Policy #2360, Trustee Greco Jacobs read the following statement:

"First, to insure the integrity and trustworthiness of this Board, any Trustee who is directly involved with the Foundation should recues themselves from any discussion and vote on a Foundation donation in order to avoid any appearance of impropriety. Second, the Foundation did not meet with the District pursuant to Board Policy 1225 to determine a donation more aligned with District needs and goals. There is greater need for other enhancements that directly affect student learning. Lastly, although we are grateful for donations, this sign has distracted the Board from addressing important educational matters which will move the District forward."

In accordance with Board Policy #2360, Trustee Stris submitted the following statement:

“I would like to personally thank all the hard working members of the Valley Stream School District Thirteen Educational Foundation, Inc. for their gift of an electronic sign to the District. I look forward to this additional way to communicate with the public about school matters.”

Accept Donations

DONATIONS ACCEPTED

- a) To accept a donation from Carolyn Palma of Disney VCR Tapes for use at the Wheeler Avenue School with an approximate value of \$45.
- b) To accept a donation from Shahid Hussain and Shahla Fatima in the amount of \$658 to purchase an iPad for use in a special education class at the James A. Dever School.
- c) To accept donations from the Target Corporation for the Howell Road School in the amount of \$72.29 and the Wheeler Avenue School in the amount of \$103.45.

Moved by Trustee Pomerantz with thanks, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

Approval of the Board of Education Meetings for the 2015-2016 School Year

2015-2016 MEETING DATES APPROVED

To approve the Board of Education Meeting dates for the 2015-2016 school year as listed:

*Indicates a different day/date from the scheduled BOE Meetings (BOE Committee is the 3rd Tuesday; BOE Business is the 4th Tuesday)

BOARD MEETINGS

July 1, 2015*	1 st Wednesday	Reorganization Meeting for 2015-2016 (approved with 2014-2015 dates)
August 18, 2015*	3 rd Tuesday	(approved with 2014-2015 dates)
September 22	4 th Tuesday	
October 27	4 th Tuesday	
November 24	4 th Tuesday	
December 22	4 th Tuesday	
January 26, 2016	4 th Tuesday	
February 23	4 th Tuesday	
March 22	4 th Tuesday	
April 19*	3 rd Tuesday	TENTATIVE BOCES Vote (this date may change)
May 24	4 th Tuesday	
June 21*	3 rd Tuesday	
July 6, 2016*	1 st Wednesday	2016-2017 Reorganization Meeting
August 16, 2016*	3 rd Tuesday	

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

September 16*	3 rd Wednesday	
October 20	3 rd Tuesday	
November 17	3 rd Tuesday	
December 15	3 rd Tuesday	(if needed)
January 19, 2016	3 rd Tuesday	
February 10*	2 nd Wednesday	
March 15	3 rd Tuesday	
April 11*	2 nd Monday	
May 17	3 rd Tuesday	Annual Election
June 14*	2nd Tuesday	<i>Change to Monday June 13 or Wednesday June 15 if HS uses this date</i>

Other Important Dates for the 2015-2016 school year

Educational Planning	Saturday, November 14, 2015	8:00 a.m.
Building Inspections	Saturday, December 5, 2015	8:00 a.m.
Budget Meeting	Wednesday, February 10, 2016	6:00 p.m.
Deadline for Filing Petitions for Trustee	Monday, April 18, 2016	5:00 p.m.
Budget Hearing (w/VSCHSD @ 8 p.m.)	Wednesday, May 4, 2016	7:30 p.m.
Registration (Last day before election)	Tuesday, May 10, 2016	5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
Meet the Candidates (if needed)	Wednesday, May 11, 2016	7:00 p.m.
Registration Books open for inspection	Saturday, May 14, 2016	9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
Annual Budget Vote & Trustee Election	Tuesday, May 17, 2016	6:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Moved by Trustee Pomerantz, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

High School Report

Jeanne Greco Jacobs

The High School District appointed a new Assistant Superintendent for Personnel, Clifford Odell, the current principal at North HS. The District will conduct a search for a new principal for North HS and hopes to have an appointment in May. The Board adopted the Superintendent’s budget amounting to \$109,702,140 and authorized placement on the ballot. This budget includes no cuts but adds guidance counselors, extra-curricular activities and a maintainer. In addition, the Board approved a proposition be placed on the ballot for the expenditure of up to \$2.5 million from the Capital Reserve Fund for capital improvements throughout the District.

Trustee Stris added that the high school budget is within the tax cap, and the budget-to-budget increase is 1.55%.

Report of the Attorney
Florence Frazer

The attorney discussed a case stating that the Tax Cap legislation is unconstitutional. The Supreme Court dismissed the suit.

Visitors

A few community members discussed opting out of the NYS Assessments.

Executive Session

At 9:35 p.m. Trustee Stris made a motion for Executive Session for the purpose of the personnel history of a particular person and custodial, principal, and secretarial negotiations, seconded by Trustee Pomerantz and carried unanimously. The Superintendent, the Interim Assistant Superintendent for Business, and the Attorney were invited to attend.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:55 p.m. the Superintendent left the meeting.

At 11:25 p.m. the Attorney left the meeting.

Reconvening

The meeting was reconvened by President DiSibio at 11:35 p.m.

RECONVENING

Adjournment

At 11:35 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Greco Jacobs, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

Denise Michels

Denise Michels
District Clerk