

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, April 19, 2016.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

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OTHERS PRESENT

Trustee Chiachiere*
Trustee DiSibio
Trustee Douglas
Vice President Farrell
Trustee Pandit
President Pomerantz
Trustee Stris

Superintendent Evelyn
Assistant Supt. for Sp. Services Sells-Asch
Assistant Supt. for Bus. & HR Antoine
Interim Asst. Supt. for CAT Martin
School District Attorney
Attorney Assistant
District Clerk Rosamilia

Approximately 17 Visitors

Convening

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

CONVENING

Quorum

Six members being present, a quorum was determined.

QUORUM

Executive Session

The Board immediately moved into Executive Session to discuss personnel of a particular person and to discuss negotiations and legal matter of the noon-hour aide unit on a motion by Trustee Douglas, seconded by Trustee Farrell and carried unanimously. The Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent for Business & HR, School District Attorney and Attorney Assistant were invited to attend.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Reconvening

The meeting was reconvened at 8:10 p.m. by President Pomerantz.

RECONVENING

*Trustee Chiachiere arrived @ 8:15

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome

Quorum

Six members being present, a quorum was determined.

QUORUM

Approval of the Minutes

To approve the Minutes of the March 22, 2016 BOE Meeting and April 6, 2016 Committee Meeting.

MINUTES OF
MEETING APPROVED

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

Correspondence

Letter from Marcelo Arias stating his resignation effective May 15,2016
Correspondence announcing The Valley Stream Education Foundation has voted to donate flowers to be placed in front of the electronic sign at the District Office

CORRESPONDENCE
MARCELO ARIAS
VS ED. FOUNDATION

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

Constance D. Evelyn

Assistant Superintendent for Special Services Lisa Sells-Asch prepared a presentation on Social Emotional Literacy. The district will be participating in training and collaborating with Yale University in order to adopt The Ruler Program. A copy of the powerpoint is available on our website.

Committee Reports

EDUCATION [S. Douglas, W. Stris]

Appointment of the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction

To appoint Judith LaRocca to a four year probationary term as Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction (tenure area: Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction), effective July 1, 2016, in accordance with the terms of an employment agreement Dated April 19, 2016; and authorize the President of the Board to execute said employment agreement on behalf of the Board.”

J. LARocca APPOINTED
ASST. SUPT. FOR CURRIC.
AND INSTRUCTION

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

Appointment of the Director of Technology

To appoint Daniel Farsaci to a four year probationary term as Director of Technology (tenure area: Director of Technology), effective July 15, 2016, in accordance with the terms of an employment agreement Dated April 19, 2016; and authorize the President of the Board to execute said employment agreement on behalf of the Board.

D. FARSACI APPOINTED
DIRECTOR OF TECHNOLOGY

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

Additional Pay for Extra Services

To approve 40 minutes per day of additional pay for extra services for Andrea Petersen effective April 4 through June 23, 2016 at her hourly rate of pay (\$94.26).

A. PETERSEN ADD'L PAY
APPROVED

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

Leave of Absence

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, The Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free District Thirteen approves a leave of absence without pay for Jason Ambadjes, Teaching Assistant, effective March 28, 2016 through April 29, 2016.

J. AMBADJES LEAVE OF
ABSENCE APPROVED

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

Substitute Teacher List

To approve the updated Substitute Teacher list for the 2015-2016 school year.

UPDATED SUBSTITUTE
TEACHER LIST FOR
15-16 SY APPROVED

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

Noon Hour Aides' Hourly Rates

To approve the updated Noon Hour Aides' Salary Schedule effective July 1, 2016; the schedule is on file with the District Clerk.

UPDATED NOON HOUR AIDES
SALARY SCHEDULE APPROVED

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

BUSINESS COMMITTEE [F. Chiachiere, V. Pandit]

Treasurer's Report

To accept the Treasurer's Report for the month ending March 31, 2016.

TREASURER'S REPORT
APPROVED

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

Employment of a Part-time Typist Clerk

To employ Suzanne Verso as a part-time typist clerk assigned to the Supervisor of Facilities and Operations at Howell Road School effective April 20, 2016 at an hourly rate of \$20.86 not to exceed 17.5 hours per week.

S. VERSO EMPLOYED
AS PART-TIME CLERK TYPIST

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

Change Order # 1 – AMB Construction SED # 280213-02-004-015

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED, that the Valley Stream UFSD #13 Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the architect, hereby approves change order # 1 in the amount of \$800 (decrease in the original contract amount) in connection with the contract with AMB Construction for the Willow Roof Project.

AMB CONSTRUCTION CHANGE
ORDER #1 APPROVED

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

Budget Transfer

To approve the following transfers effective April 20, 2016:

BUDGET TRANSFERS
APPROVED

<i>From:</i>		
A9060.800-01	Hosp. & Med Insurance	\$164,000
<i>To:</i>		
A1310.400-01	Business Admin-Contractual	\$ 3,000
A1310.492-01	Business Admin-BOCES	16,000
A1620.422-05	Gas-Willow Road	10,000
A2010.490-01	Curriculum Dev-BOCES	25,000
A2250.470-01	Special Ed-Tuition	50,000
A9060.801-01	Dental Insurance	60,000

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

Resignation of a Custodian

To accept the resignation of Marcelo Arias, custodian assigned to James A. Dever School, effective May 15, 2016.

M. ARIAS RESIGNATION
ACCEPTED

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

Health & Welfare Contract

To approve the Health and Welfare Contract for those Valley Stream UFSD #13 students attending schools in the *North Merrick UFSD* at a rate of \$1,229.00 per student for the 2015– 2016 school year.

HEALTH AND WELFARE
CONTRACT ACCEPTED

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

Establish Summer Custodian Rate of Pay

To increase the 2016 Summer Custodian Rate of Pay from \$8.75 per hour to \$9.00 per hour in accordance with the New York State Minimum Wage Requirement.

SUMMER CUSTODIAN RATE
OF PAY INCREASE APPROVED

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

Catastrophic Leave

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves a leave of absence with pay for Saverio (“Bo”) Auricchio for the period May 17 through June 14, 2016, pursuant to Article XI. E of the collective bargaining agreement between the Board and the Valley Stream UFSD 13, CSEA Local 1000, AFSCME, AFL-CIO, Nassau County Educational Local 865.

A SAVERIO CATASTROPHIC
LEAVE APPROVED

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

POLICY COMMITTEE [J. DiSibio, P. Farrell]

Policies for 2nd Reading and Adoption

To adopt the following policies after a second reading:

- 4200 Curriculum Development
- 6250 Fund Balance (New)
- 6740 Payroll Procedures (New)

POLICIES FOR 2ND READING
APPROVED AND ADOPTED

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE [P. Farrell]

Committee on Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Special Education Reviews dated 3/15, 3/18, 3/22, 3/30, and 3/31.

CSE REVIEWS ADOPTED

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

Committee on Pre-school Special Education Review

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Pre-school Special Education Review dated 3/9, 3/11, and 3/29.

CPSE REVIEWS ADOPTED

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

Service Agreements

To approve the following Service Agreements for the “Explorations Activities” within the G & T Program and authorize the Board President to sign:

- a) Long Island Science Center – provide two workshops (*In the Mind’s Eye and Balloon Powered Vehicles*) at \$250 each on May 19, 2016
- b) Jennifer Smith – provide a workshop (*Author’s Workshop*) at \$200 on May 19

SERVICE AGREEMENTS
APPROVED

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

BOCES Tentative Administrative Budget for 2016-2017

WHEREAS, the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Nassau County (Nassau BOCES) has proposed and presented its Proposed Administrative Operations Budget for the 2016-2017 school year (July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017), now therefore BE IT RESOLVED, that the Nassau BOCES Proposed Administrative Operations Budget for the 2016-2017 school year in the amount of twenty million, seven hundred eighty-nine thousand, two hundred forty-eight dollars (\$20,789,248) be, and hereby is approved by this Board.

BOCES BUDGET APPROVED

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

Election of Board Members to BOCES Board of Education

Three BOCES board seats must be voted upon. Three full-term seats will expire on June 30, 2016. Each Board may cast one vote for each vacancy to be filled, a total of three votes.

BOCES BOE MEMBERS
APPROVED

Resolution - To authorize the District Clerk to complete the Ballot and Clerk's Certificate indicating for whom the District Thirteen Board of Education has cast its vote, namely Ronald Ellerbe, Laura Pierce and Robert "B.A." Schoen.

Moved by Trustee Farrell, seconded by Trustee Stris.

The Clerk was asked to poll the Board:

Trustee Stris	Yes	Trustee Farrell	Yes
Trustee Chiachiere	No	Trustee Pandit	Yes
Trustee DiSibio	Yes	Trustee Pomerantz	Yes
Trustee Douglas	Yes		

The vote was 6 Yes and 1 No, the motion carries.

Disposal of District Property

To approve the disposal of two pianos at Wheeler Avenue School because they are obsolete and beyond repair in accordance with Policy #6900.

DISPOSAL OF TWO PIANOS
APPROVED

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

Acceptance of a Donation

To accept a donation of flowers with an approximate value of \$100 from the Valley Stream Thirteen Educational Foundation to be planted at the base of the District sign.

Moved by Trustee Farrell, seconded by Trustee Pandit
On the question: Trustee Stris, made a motion, to amend the value of the donation to \$50.

Amended Acceptance of a Donation

To accept a donation of flowers with an approximate value of \$50 from the Valley Stream Thirteen Educational Foundation to be planted at the base of the District sign.

AMENDED DONATION
ACCEPTED

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

High School Report

The Valley Stream Central High School Board held its business meeting on Tuesday, April 5, 2016. The administration presented a short video highlighting the a capella vocal group at South High School This presentation is a continuation of highlighting programs and opportunities available to our students outside of the general academic programs.

Superintendent Heidenreich informed the public of Lights on for Education to be held on April 21, 2016, and the Residency Advisory Committee Meeting is tentatively scheduled for May 23, 2016.

During the recognition portion of the meeting, the Board took the opportunity to acknowledge achievements in our winter sports programs. The District rifle team, the North High boys and girls track team and the North High co-ed cheerleading team were recognized as Nassau County Champions. The Board also recognized All State athletes in rifle and track, as well as All County athletes in bowling, basketball, track, fencing and rifle. Over 30 students were recognized for their achievements.

The Board also approved various appointments and resignations, the monthly financial statements and contracts for Special Education services.

Old Business

Trustee Pomerantz, Trustee Chiachiere, Trustee Stris spoke about the School Board Convention in Boston.

New Business

Trustee Chiachiere spoke about the partnership between Valley Stream Thirteen and Crossroads Farm in Malverne.

Executive Session

At 9:00 p.m. Trustee Farrell made a motion for Executive Session to discuss personnel of a particular person, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously. The Superintendent, Assistant Supt. for Business and HR were invited to attend.

RECONVENED
EXECUTIVE SESSION

Reconvening

The meeting reconvened at 10:30.

RECONVENED

Construction Management Firm

PARK EAST MANAGEMENT
FIRM APPOINTED

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen solicited proposals for construction management services in connection with the capital projects related to the District's December 8, 2015 Bond Referendum, by means of a Request for Proposals issued on February 11, 2016 ("RFP"); and has determined, after consideration of the costs, experience, specialized skills, professional judgment, and relationship of trust and confidence necessary for the provision of such services, that **Park East Management Firm** best meets the requirements for those services;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby appoints Park East Management Company as Construction Manager to perform construction management services in connection with the above-mentioned capital projects, in accordance with the District's RFP and Park East Management Company's proposal submitted in response thereto ("Proposal"); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these services are to be performed in accordance with the provisions contained in the RFP and the Proposal, and are subject to the execution of a contract acceptable to the District's legal counsel, and that the Board of Education authorizes the Board President to execute such contract between the Board of Education and Park East Management Company for the above-described services.

Moved by Trustee Farrell, seconded by Stris and carried unanimously

Adjournment

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Trustee Stris, seconded by Trustee Chiachiere and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

MaryAnn Rosamilia

MaryAnn Rosamilia
District Clerk