

Regular meeting of the Board of Education of Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen held in the Board Room at James A. Dever School on Tuesday, May 22, 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 12 Visitors

Convening

The meeting was convened at 7:25 p.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 negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law and employment history of a particular person on a motion made by Trustee Gartner, seconded by Trustee DiSibio and carried unanimously. The Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents, and attorneys were invited to attend.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Reconvening

The meeting was reconvened at 8:05 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 April 24 and May 15, 2012 meetings.

MINUTES OF 4/24, 5/15/12
MEETINGS APPROVED

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

Correspondence

Correspondence received from Frazer & Feldman:

- Changes to Tenured Teachers Discipline Under Ed Law (3020a)
- New APPR Guidance
- APPR Non-Compliance
- Budget Re-Vote Procedures
- DASA Compliance & SED Cuidelines
- Updated DASA Model Policies

CORRESPONDENCE

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Adrienne Robb-Fund

Dr. Robb Fund congratulated the Wheeler and Dever choruses for their awards at the NYSSMA Ensemble adjudication, the Willow Dancing Classrooms, and shared the Dedication of the Howell Road Reading Garden. Dr. Robb-Fund provided an overview of the year in review.

EDUCATION [S. Douglas, J. Greco Jacobs]

Education Report

Superintendent Robb-Fund gave a brief overview of the APPR Guidelines to date.

Salary Gate Promotion

To approve the recommendation of the Superintendent for the following gate promotions according to the VSTA/Board Agreement in effect as of April 1, 2012:

SALARY GATE PROMOTIONS

Step 9 to 10

Bonney Goldberg effective June 16, 2012

Step 19 to 20

Joan Seidl effective June 16, 2012

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

Substitute Teacher List

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

SUBSTITUE TEACHER LIST
UPDATED AND APPROVED

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

Summer Employment Special Education Program Teachers and Staff

To employ the following for Summer Employment: Special Education Program Teachers and Staff effective July 2 through August 10, 2012, 8:30 AM – 1:30 PM, unless otherwise stated, at their hourly rate of pay:

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT FOR
SPECIAL ED PROGRAM

Special Education Teachers

Greer Molinaro
Melissa Bianculli
Mary Catherine Culella-Sun
Lisa Gimbel (not to exceed 3 hours per week)

Physical Therapist

Shoshana Bazini (not to exceed 2 hours per week)

Occupational Therapist

Sherley Fils-Aime (not to exceed 6 hours per week)

Psychologist

Mindy Berlin-Dickman (not to exceed 3 hours per week)

Nurse

Carolann Jaffe

Speech Teachers

Maura Lachance (not to exceed 15 hours per week)
Christy Taveira (not to exceed 7 hours per week)

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

Summer Employment Special Education Program Staff

To employ the following Classroom Aides for the Summer Special Education Program effective July 2 through August 10, 2012, 8:30 AM – 1:30 PM, at their hourly rate of pay:

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT
CRA FOR SPECIAL ED
PROGRAM

Joseph Silverstein	Janet Hamilton
Sandy Gagstetter	Deborah McDougasll
Christine Davi	Lorraine Grasso
Marie Dancona	Antonella Sciscioli

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

Resignation – Librarian

To accept the resignation for Rachel Muchtin, Librarian assigned to Howell Road School, effective July 1, 2012.

R. MUCHTIN RESIGNATION
ACCEPTED

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 April 30, 2012.

TREASURER’S REPORT
APPROVED

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

Health & Welfare Contracts 2011-2012

To approve the following Health & Welfare Contracts for the 2011-2012 school year from the following school districts:

HEALTH & WELFARE
CONTRACTS APPROVED

Franklin Square	14,666.29
Garden City	29,881.94
Malverne	43,323.35
Manhasset	2,722.71
Mineola	1,384.00
North Merrick	2,979.00
Uniondale	2,457.16
Valley Stream #24	35,112.66

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

State Environment Quality Review NEGATIVE DECLARATION,
Notice of Non-Significance

SEQRA

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen is the lead agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Process for the purpose of required determinations respecting the proposed Capital Improvement Project as follows:

- a James A. Dever School
 - 1. Energy Performance Contract SED # 28-02-13-02-0-001-027

- b. Howell Road School
1. Energy Performance Contract SED # 28-02-13-02-0-002-017
- c. Wheeler Avenue School
1. Energy Performance Contract SED # 28-02-13-02-0-003-019
- d. Willow Road School
1. Energy Performance Contract SED # 28-02-13-02-0-004-014

WHEREAS, in 1995, amendments were made to the SEQRA Regulation (Part 617) to classify projects, which will be excluded from the requirements for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (Type II Actions). The project mentioned above is now classified as Type II Actions as determined by NYCRR Section 617.5 and

WHEREAS, these projects fall under the following categories:

- A. Routine Maintenance and Repair 6NYCRR Section 617.5 (c) (1): Maintenance or repair involving no substantial change in an existing facility.
- B. Replace or Rehabilitation 6NYCRR Section 617.5 (c) (2): Replacement or Rehabilitation or Reconstruction of a structure of facility, in kind, on the same site, unless the work excess a threshold for a Type I action in 6NYCRR Section 617.4.
- C. 6NYCRR Section 617.5 (c) (8); Routine activities of educational institutions, including expansion of existing facilities by less than 10,000 square feet of gross floor area and school closings, but not changes in use related to such closings.

THEREFORE, as the lead agency for the SEQRA determination, the above referenced projects fall under Categories “A” or “B” above. The procedure for Type II Actions, with regard to the SEQRA Process for Capital Projects noted above is “No Additional Action under 6NYCRR Section 617.5 (a)”.

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

POLICY COMMITTEE [W. Stris, J. Gartner]

Policies for 2nd Reading and Adoption

POLICIES ADOPTED

To adopt the following policies:

- 4850 Dissection of Animals in the Schools
- 5420 Student Health Services

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE [Vice President J. Gartner]

Committee on Special Education Reviews

CSE REVIEWS ADOPTED

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Special Education Reviews 3/1, 3/6, 3/13, 3/20, 3/27, 3/29, 4/2, 4/3Wh, 4/3D, 4/5H, 4/5D, 4/25, 4/26, 4/27RECC, 4/27BCCS, 4/30, and 5/1/12.

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

Committee on Pre-school Special Education Reviews

CPSE REVIEWS ADOPTED

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Pre-school Education Reviews dated 3/28, 4/4, 5/1 and 5/10/12.

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

Impartial Hearing Officer

A. NEMETH DELETED FROM THE IHO LIST

To delete Amie Nemeth from the IHO Rotational List.

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

Donation of a Gift

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To accept a donation from Roslyn Young of a piano with an approximate value of \$700 to the Howell Road School.

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

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To accept a donation from the Wheeler Avenue PTA of \$645.15 received from Box Tops for Education for use at the Wheeler Avenue School.

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

Home Tutoring

HOME TUTORING

To approve home tutoring for a 5th Grade student at Howell Road School effective April 20 through June 22, 2012. Tutor: Paula Shulman.

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

Resolution to Provide Costs, Expenses and Damages Pursuant to Education Law Section 3811

LITIGATION

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that, pursuant to Education Law Section 3811, the Board of Education of the Valley Stream UFSD #13 authorizes the defense of Principal Frank Huplosky and Principal Christine Zerillo in a civil action brought in U.S. District Court by Lynn Bohnet (CV-12 1989), and further authorizes as a charge upon the District all costs and reasonable expenses related to such defense, as well as any costs and damages adjudged against them in such action.

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

Report of the Attorney
Florence Frazer

Attorney Frazer reported on a case whereby parents claimed that school officials improperly disclosed personally identifiable information from the student’s education records to a non-district internet “blog”, in an interview and to a local newspaper. The US Department of Education concluded that, while the alleged disclosures did not contain the student’s name, they still could be in violation of FERPA because the information was “linkable” to the student b members of the community.

Visitors

Mr. Toma congratulated the district for passing the budget.

Executive Session

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At 8:40 p.m. Trustee Gartner made a motion for Executive Session for the purpose of personnel of a particular person, seconded by Trustee Douglas and carried unanimously. The superintendent was invited to attend. At 9:10 p.m. the Superintendent left the meeting.

Reconvening

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The meeting was reconvened at 9:45 p.m. by President Chiachiere.

Adjournment

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m. on a motion made by Trustee DiSibio, seconded by Trustee Evans and carried unanimously.

Denise Michels
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District Clerk