

APPROVED AS AMENDED

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, August 21, 2012.

<u>BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT</u>	<u>OTHERS PRESENT</u>
Trustee Chiachiere	Trustee Douglas	Superintendent Robb-Fund
Trustee DiSibio	Trustee Greco Jacobs	Asst. Supt. for Business Brosnan
Trustee Evans		Asst. Supt. for Special Services Sells-Asch
Trustee Gartner		Coordinator of Curric. & Assessment
Trustee Stris*		School District Attorneys Frazer, Perna
		Approximately 18 Visitors

Convening
The meeting was convened at 7:15 p.m. by Alternate Vice President Evans.

CONVENING

Quorum
Five 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 on a motion made by Trustee DiSibio, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously. The Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents and the attorneys were invited to attend.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

*Trustee Stris arrived at 7:25 p.m.

Reconvening
The meeting was reconvened at 8:10 p.m. by Alternate Vice President Evans.

RECONVENING

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome

Quorum
Five members being present, a quorum was determined.

QUORUM

Approval of the Minutes
To approve the Minutes of the June 19, July 9, August 6, 2012 meetings.

MINUTES OF 6/19, 7/9 & 8/6/12
MEETINGS APPROVED

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

Correspondence
Frazer & Feldman

CORRESPONDENCE

- Disclosure of Final APPR Ratings & Scores
- Concussion Management Regulations
- New DASA Amendments
- Additional Parent Member – Amendment to the Education Law
- New Court Decision Re: Student Residency & Guardianship Orders

Guercio & Guercio

- Dignity for All Students Act – July Amendments
- Amendment to General Municipal Law – State & Federal Procurement

Report of the Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Adrienne Robb-Fund

Superintendent Robb-Fund gave an overview of the State Assessment Data and the plan of action for 2012-2013.

Classroom Aide Gate Advancements
To approve the Gate Advancement from Step 5 to Step 6 effective September 1, 2012 for the following Classroom Aides in accordance with the Board/Classroom/Media Aide Contract:

CRA GATE ADVANCEMENTS

Michelle Agueros	Wheeler Avenue School
Carole Lucente	Willow Road School
Nancy Semos	Wheeler Avenue School
Renee Valinoti	Howell Road School

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

Change in Employment Status
To change the employment status for Christine Higgins from a part time (.5) Classroom Aide to a full time Classroom Aide effective September 4, 2012.

C. HIGGINS STATUS CHANGED
TO A FULL TIME CRA

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

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Employment of a Noon Hour Aide

To employ Louanne Milone as a Noon Hour Aide assigned to James A. Dever School on Step 1 (\$10.10 per hour) effective September 5, 2012.

L. MILONE EMPLOYED AS A NHA

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

Employment of a Noon Hour Aide

To employ Debra Szabo as a Noon Hour Aide assigned to James A. Dever School on Step 1 (\$10.10 per hour) effective September 5, 2012.

D. SZABO EMPLOYED AS A NHA

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

Substitute Noon Hour/Classroom Aide

To add Nisa Alam as a substitute Noon Hour/Classroom Aide.

N. ALAM ADDED AS A CRA/ NHA SUBSTITUTE

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

Committee Reports

EDUCATION [F. Chiachiere, S. Douglas]

Change in Summer Special Education Program

To remove Greer Molinaro as the special education teacher for the summer program effective July 24, 2012; and to employ Andrea Hildenbrand, at her hourly rate of pay, as the special education teacher for the summer program effective July 25 through August 10, 2012.

CHANGE IN SUMMER SP. ED. EMPLOYMENT

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

Correction of a Tenure Date

To approve a correction in the tenure date for Megan Ross to two years probation effective October 25, 2011.

M. ROSS TENURE DATE CORRECTED

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

Employment of a Reading Teacher

To employ Valerie Giannoulis as a Reading Teacher assigned to James A. Dever School on Step 1 MA (\$66,258) effective September 1, 2012 on two years probation, and unless sooner terminated, in accordance with the Board/VSTA Contract.

V. GIANNOULIS EMPLOYED AS A READING TEACHER

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

Replacement Classroom Teacher

To employ Heather C. McDonough as a Replacement Classroom Teacher assigned to Wheeler Avenue School on Step 1 MA (\$66,258) in accordance with the Board/VSTA Contract effective September 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013, and unless sooner terminated.

H. MCDONOUGH EMPLOYED AS A REPLACEMENT CRT

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

Replacement Classroom Teacher

To employ Nicole D'Antonio as a Replacement Classroom Teacher assigned to Wheeler Avenue School on Step 1 MA (\$66,258) in accordance with the Board/VSTA Contract effective September 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013, and unless sooner terminated.

ITEM WITHDRAWN

Since the Superintendent was informed this afternoon that Nicole D'Antonio was recalled to her previous district, this item was withdrawn.

Employment of a Part Time Psychologist

To employ Karen Jason as the Part Time (.5) Psychologist for the 2012-2013 school year assigned to the Willow Road School on Step 12 EDD (\$111,376 pro-rated).

K. JASON EMPLOYED AS A PART TIME PSYCHOLOGIST

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

Employment of a Part Time Speech Teacher

To employ Christy Taveira as the Part Time (.5) Speech Teacher for the 2012-2013 school year assigned to the James A. Dever School, on Step 2 MA (\$68,466 pro-rated).

C. TAVEIRA EMPLOYED AS A PART TIME SPEECH TEACHER

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

Employment of a Part Time ESL Teacher

To employ Jennifer Glatzer as the Part Time (.5) ESL Teacher assigned to the Willow Road School for the 2012-2013 school year on Step 1 MA (\$66,258 pro-rated).

J. GLATZER EMPLOYED AS A PART TIME ESL TEACHER

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

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Employment of a Part Time Special Education Teacher

To employ Kelly Logan as the Part Time (.5) Special Education Teacher assigned to Howell Road School for the 2012-2013 school year on Step 1 MA (\$66,258 pro-rated)

K. LOGAN EMPLOYED AS A PART TIME SPECIAL ED. TEACHER

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

Employment of a Part Time Librarian

To employ Michelle Castrolillo as the Part Time (.04) Librarian assigned to the Wheeler Avenue School for the 2012-2013 school year on Step 1 MA (\$66,258 pro-rated).

M. CASGTROFILIPPO EMPLOYED AS A PART TIME LIBRARIAN

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

Employment of a Part Time Art Teacher

To employ Jordanna Gatoff as the Part Time (.04) Art Teacher assigned to the Wheeler Avenue School for the 2012-2013 school year on Step 1 MA (\$66,258 pro-rated).

J. GATOFF EMPLOYED AS A PART TIME ART TEACHER

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

Resolution to Approve Memorandum of Agreement Re: APPR for Principals

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District #13 approves Annual Professional Performance Review Plan ("APPR") for the District's Principals dated August 21, 2012; and

APPR FOR PRINCIPALS/MOA APPROVED

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board approves the terms of the Memorandum of Agreement dated August 21, 2012 between the District and the Valley Stream Council of Elementary Associations, Affiliate of CAS, regarding the Annual Professional Performance Review Plan ("APPR") for Principals.

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

BUSINESS COMMITTEE [J. Gartner, J. DiSibio]

Treasurer's Report

To accept the Treasurer's Report for the period ending June 30, 2012.

TREASURER'S REPORT ACCEPTED

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

Authorization of Payment for Services

To authorize payment to Joan Guarneri for services rendered at a salary of \$ \$43.62 per hour, not to exceed 40 hours, as needed in the Business Office.

AUTHORIZATION FOR PAYMENT FOR SERVICES J. GUARNERI APPROVED

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

Employment of an Account Clerk

To employ Maryann Rosamilia as an Account Clerk assigned to the Business Office on Step 1 (\$39,100) in accordance with the Board/VSTAEOP contract effective August 22, 2012, and unless sooner terminated.

M. ROSAMILIA EMPLOYED AS AN ACCOUNT CLERK

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

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

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:

SEQRA

- a. James A Dever School
 - 1. Emergency Masonry Reconstruction SED # 28-02-13-02-0-001-029

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.

APPROVED AS AMENDED

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 Gartner, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

Request for Proposals for Survey Work at the Wheeler Avenue School

WHEREAS, the architectural firm of Burton, Behrendt & Smith solicited Request for Proposals on behalf of the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen for survey work at the Wheeler Avenue School on July 9, 2012 and has determined that Donald G. DeKenipp, Professional Land Surveyor, best meets the requirements for those services;

RFP FOR SURVEY WORK
AT WHEELER AVENUE
AWARDED TO D. G. DEKENIPP

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby accepts Donald G. DeKenipp's proposal and awards to it the contract for survey work at the Wheeler Avenue School in the sum of \$6,995.

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

Resignation of a Custodian

To accept the resignation of Oscar R. Perez, Custodian at Willow Road School, effective August 30, 2012.

O. PEREZ RESIGNATION
ACCEPTED

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

Authorization to Disburse Funds from the Employees' Benefits Accrued Liability Reserve (EBLAR) Effective June 30, 2012

To disburse \$77,692.79 from the Employees' Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve (EBLAR) for paid compensated absences during the 2011-2012 fiscal year.

AUTHORIZATION TO
DISBURSE FUNDS GRANTED

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

James A. Dever Emergency Capital Project

WHEREAS, an inspection of the James A. Dever Elementary School has revealed significant damage to the building's exterior wall as a result of an unforeseen occurrence or condition; and

EMERGENCY CAPITAL
PROJECT

WHEREAS, based on the recommendation of a professional engineer, it is essential to undertake certain work in order to address the damage to the school building's exterior wall, which includes the following: masonry repair ("Project"); now, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District No. 13 as follows:

1. The Board of Education hereby declares that the Project is an emergency project that is essential for the protection of the health and safety of students and staff and for the protection and preservation of the District's property, and that it constitutes an ordinary contingent expense under NYS Education Law.
2. The maximum estimated cost of the Project is \$60,000, which will be financed by appropriations from the District's General Fund's unassigned fund balance up to such amount.
3. The Board of Education further finds that, pursuant to General Municipal Law sections 103(4), the above-described building damage is a public emergency affecting public buildings, public property and the health and safety of students and staff, which requires immediate action and cannot await competitive bidding.
4. The Superintendent of Schools and all officers and employees of the District are hereby authorized and directed to take all steps reasonably necessary or appropriate to carry out the Project in accordance with this resolution, and the Board President is hereby authorized to execute any and all contracts for public work or the purchase of supplies, material or equipment in connection therewith.
5. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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

POLICY COMMITTEE [W. Stris, D. Evans]

Policy for 2nd Reading

To adopt the following policies after a 2nd Reading:

- 0115 Student Harassment and Bullying Prevention and Intervention Regulations
- 5300 Code of Conduct

POLICIES ADOPTED
0115 & 5300

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

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE [Vice President S. Douglas]

Committee on Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Special Education Reviews 8/1 and 8/8/12.

CSE REVIEWS ADOPTED

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

Committee on Pre-school Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Pre-school Education Reviews dated 7/11, 7/25 and 8/8/12.

CPSE REVIEWS ADOPTED

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

Impartial Hearing Officers

To remove the following Impartial Hearing Officers from the Rotational Impartial Hearing Officer List:

- Jeanmarie Brescia
- Jean Rosenzweig

IHO OFFICERS REMOVED

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

Special Services Contracts

To approve the following Contracts and Services Provider Agreements for Special Services for the 2012-2013 school year:

SPECIAL SERVICES
CONTRACTS APPROVED

- AHRC – Brookville Center for Children’s Services
- All About Kids
- Bilinguals, Inc.
- IDEAL Consulting Services, Christopher Parker, Ph.D.
- Gayle E. Kligman Therapeutic Resources
- Marion K. Salomon & Associations, Inc.
- NY Therapy
- Michelle Gay Alternate CSE/CPSE Chairperson \$700 per day not to exceed 25 days or \$17,500
- Carina Hamel (Home ABA Provider for out-of-district) \$80 per hour as per IEP recommendation
- Michael Marroquin (Behavior Consultant) \$100 per hour not to exceed 6 hours per week
- Joanne Paoli (Teacher for the Hearing Impaired) \$83.33 per hour not to exceed 7 hours per week as per IEP
- Alex Zavlunova (Behavior Consultant) \$100 per hour not to exceed 5 hours per week

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

Report of the Attorney
Florence Frazer

Attorney Frazer reported on a case of gender whereby a male student wanted to play field hockey on an all-female team. Since there are no male field hockey teams in this school district, the District sought permission from the state’s Commissioner of Education. The Regulations permit a boy to participate in a female sport for which there is no male team, but only when the boy’s participation will not have a “significant adverse effect upon the opportunity of females to participate successfully in interschool competition in that sport.” The District applied to the athletic group with jurisdiction over public school competition in Suffolk County – Section XI of the NYS Public HS Athletic Association’s Mixed Competition Committee. Permission was granted when the boy was in 7th and 8th grade, however, permission was denied in 9th grade on the grounds that his participation in the sport created a significant adverse effect on female participants. The district appealed to the Section XI Athletic Council. The district presented a statistical analysis of the boy’s success to show that he was not having a “significant adverse effect” on the girls. Ultimately, the Athletic Council reversed the committee’s decision and allowed the boy to play in the fall.

Visitors

In accordance with Policy #1230, a visitor was denied the right to speak since she is neither a district resident nor a district employee.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:45 p.m. on a motion made by Trustee Gartner, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Denise Michels

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District Clerk