

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 16, 2016.

| <u>BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT</u> | <u>BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT</u> | <u>OTHERS PRESENT</u> |
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| Trustee Chiachiere | Trustee Douglas | Superintendent Evelyn |
| Trustee Pandit | Trustee Farrell | Asst. Supt. for Sp. Services Sells-Asch |
| Trustee Pomerantz | | Asst. Supt. for Bus. & HR Antoine |
| Trustee Stris | | Asst. Supt. for Curr. LaRocca |
| Trustee Vicente | | Dir. of Tech. Farsaci |
| | | School District Attorney Sheahan |
| | | District Clerk Rosamilia |

Approximately 12 Visitors

Convening

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

CONVENING

Quorum

Five members being present, a quorum was determined.

QUORUM

Executive Session

The Board immediately moved into Executive Session on a motion by Trustee Chiachiere, seconded by Trustee Pandit and carried unanimously to discuss the employment history of a particular person in relation to Music & Fine Arts coordinators, our Public Relations Firm, the Superintendent and Assistant Superintendent for Special Svcs. contracts. 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 8:03 p.m. by President Stris.

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 Dec.22,2015, Feb. 10, Feb. 23, May 24, June 6, June 8, June 13, July 6 and July 19, 2016.

MINUTES OF 12/22/15, 2/10, 2/23, 5/24, 6/6, 6/8, 6/13, 7/6, 7/19/16 APPROVED

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

Correspondence

Correspondence from Saverio Auricchio indicating his resignation for the purpose of retirement effective August 23, 2016.
Correspondence from Joe Piccione indicating his resignation effective Aug. 5, 2016.
Correspondence from Gustavo Arias indicating his resignation effective Sept. 1, 2016.
Correspondence from Guercio & Guercio regarding APPR updates.

CORRESPONDENCE
S. AURICCHIO
J. PICCIONE
G. ARIAS
GUERCIO & GUERCIO

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

Constance D. Evelyn

Bond Update

Gary Gonzalez from Park East reported that Phase 1 (including roof, fascia, chimney, and concrete work) will be completed on-time and under budget. Phase 2 development is underway and anticipated for mid-September submission for SED review.

Dave Bozuhoski from BBS reported that the Willow Road abatement is complete and the new roof is on schedule and will be completed by September 2nd.

Status Update on Repairs

James Daly, Supervisor of Facilities, reported that the repairs at Howell Road and James A. Dever schools are on schedule. The Wheeler Avenue School roof project will begin on August 17th and will be completed by September 1st. The chimney repair is 85% complete and will be completed by September 2nd.

Committee Reports

EDUCATION [F. Chiachiere, S. Douglas]

APPR Certification 2015-2016

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education of Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen hereby authorizes and/or ratifies execution by the Superintendent of Schools and the President of the Board of Education of the District's 2015-16 APPR Implementation Certification Form.

2015-2016 APPR CERT.
APPROVED

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

Changes to Summer Recreation Employments

To remove Jennifer Acevedo-Bermudez and Sheri Blay as counselors; and to change Nicholas DiClemente from JC3 (\$755) to NC1 (\$785); and to add Olivia D'Arienzo – JC1 (\$635) and Alexandra Incontro - NC1 (\$785).

SUMMER REC. EMPLOY.
CHANGES APPROVED

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

Resignation of a Noon Hour Aide

To accept the resignation of Frances Prestia as a Noon Hour Aide at Wheeler Avenue School effective September 7, 2016.

F. PRESTIA RESIGNATION
ACCEPTED

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

Appointment from the Preferred Eligibility List – Teaching Assistant

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT, there being a vacancy in the Teaching Assistant tenure area, pursuant to Education Law Section 2510, the Board of Education of Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen appoints Janine DiVerde from the preferred eligibility list for the Teaching Assistant tenure area to said vacant teaching assistant tenure position, effective September 1, 2016.

J. DIVERDE EMPLOYED
AS TA

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

Employment of a Music Teacher

To employ Nicole Boyle as a Music Teacher (Tenure Area: Music Teacher K-6), assigned to Howell Road School on Step 1MA (\$69,391) on three years' probation commencing on September 1, 2016 and expiring on August 30, 2019 (*see note below), unless sooner terminated.

N. BOYLE EMPLOYED
AS MUSIC TEACHER HRS

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

Employment of a Music Teacher

To employ Christie Holub as a Music Teacher (Tenure Area: Music Teacher K-6), assigned to Howell Road School on Step 1MA (\$69,391) on four years' probation commencing on September 1, 2016 and expiring on August 30, 2020 (*see note below), unless sooner terminated.

C. HOLUB EMPLOYED
AS MUSIC TEACHER HRS

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

**In order to be granted tenure, the teacher must have received composite or overall APPR ratings pursuant to Education Law §3012-c and/or 3012-d of either "effective" or "highly effective" in at least three ("3") of the four ("4") preceding years, and, if the classroom teacher receives an "ineffective" composite or overall APPR rating in the final year of the probationary period, he or she shall not be eligible for tenure at that time.*

New Teacher Orientation

The following teachers will be presenting as part of New Teacher Orientation, and will be paid at their hourly rate of pay:

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| Andrea DiMango | 6 hours |
| Laurie Salvatore | 6 hours |
| Melissa O'Geary | 6 hours |
| Debra O'Connor | 3 hours |

NEW TEACHER ORIENT.
PRESENTERS APPROVED

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

Credit for Advanced Study

To approve the credit for advanced study effective September 1, 2016, as listed in accordance with the VSTA/Board Agreement:

CREDIT FOR ADVANCED STUDY APPROVED

| Name | From | To |
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| Lisa Asaro (HRS) | 7MA | 7MA+15 |
| Maureen Byrnes (WRS) | 2MA+15 | 2MA+30 |
| Danielle Dodge (HRS) | 6MA+15 | 6MA+30 |
| Irene Pilavis (WRS) | 1MA+15 | 1MA+30 |
| Catherine Ricchiuti (HRS) | 11MA+45 | 11MA+60 |
| Nanci Brochhagen (WRS) | 13MA +30 | 13MA +45 |
| Andrea DiMango (District) | 4MA +30 | 4MA +45 |
| Roxanne MacDonald | 17MA +30 | 17MA +45 |

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

Change in Salary Step

Upon review of official transcripts for Katherine Pulvidente, change the salary step from 1 MA to 1 BA+15 (\$60,722), appointed as a classroom teacher at the July 6, 2016 Board of Education Meeting, effective September 1, 2016.

K. PULVIDENTE CHANGE IN STEP SALARY APPROVED

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

Music and Fine Arts Coordinator Position

To terminate the Music and Fine Arts Coordinator position and create two separate positions, Music Coordinator with a \$4,000 stipend and Art Coordinator with a \$4,000 stipend, effective September 1, 2016.

MUSIC AND FINE ARTS COOR. POSITION TERM. MUSIC. COOR. AND ART COOR. POSITIONS APPROVED

Trustee Chiachiere made a motion to amend the Art Coordinator Stipend from \$4,000 to \$2,500, seconded by Trustee Pomerantz and carried unanimously.

Change in Probationary Period

To change the probationary period from four years to three years for Meredith Bennett, appointed as a classroom teacher assigned to James A. Dever School at the July 6, 2016 Board of Education meeting, effective September 1, 2016.

M. BENNETT CHANGE IN PROBATIONARY PERIOD APPROVED

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

BUSINESS COMMITTEE [P. Farrell, V. Pandit]

Treasurer's Report

No Treasurer's Report this month.

Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement – Custodian

To accept the resignation for the purpose of retirement for Saverio Auricchio as a custodian assigned to James A. Dever School effective August 23, 2016.

S. AURICCHIO RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

Moved by Trustee Pandit, seconded by Trustee Vicente and carried unanimously.

Appointment of a Seasonal Cleaner

To appoint Melvin Peterson as a seasonal cleaner at \$9 per hour effective July 5, 2016 through September 30, 2016.

M. PETERSON APPOINTED SEASONAL CLEANER

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

Resignation of a Maintainer

To accept the resignation of Joseph Piccione as a Maintainer effective August 5, 2016.

J. PICCIONE RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

Moved by Trustee Pandit, seconded by Trustee Vicente and carried unanimously.

Resignation of a Custodian

To accept the resignation of Gustavo Arias as a Custodian assigned to Wheeler Avenue School effective September 1, 2016.

G. ARIAS RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

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

Industrial Development Agencies

WHEREAS, it has come to the attention of the Board, that certain actions taken by local Industrial Development Agencies in granting tax exemptions have a significant and burdensome impact on the District, and

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES APPROVED

WHEREAS, the Board believes that legislative action is necessary to require Industrial Development Agencies to notify school districts of the impact of proposed tax exemptions prior to voting upon or approving such tax exemptions; it is therefore

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby requests the New York State School Boards Association include as a legislative priority issue, reforms to Article 18-A of the General Municipal Law to obligate Industrial Development Agencies across New York State:

- i. to provide notice of any proposed tax exemption to each affected taxing jurisdiction, including each affected school district,
- ii. to respond to requests for information from such affected taxing jurisdiction regarding the financial implications of proposed tax exemptions, and
- iii. to provide a meaningful opportunity for school districts to be heard prior to voting upon or approving any such tax exemption, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby directs the District Clerk to submit a certified copy of this resolution to the New York State School Boards Association and the Nassau Suffolk School Boards Association.

Moved by Trustee Pandit, seconded by Trustee Vicente and carried unanimously.

New York/Island Cooperative Bid Resolution

WHEREAS, it would be in the joint interest of the Valley Stream Union Free School District 13 and the following:

NY/ISLAND COOP.
BIDS APPROVED

SEE ATTACHED LISTING

To participate in cooperative bids for the purchase of various supplies, services, materials and equipment, as advertised by and awarded by the Clarkstown Central School District acting as the Lead Agency, as provided by General Municipal Law Section 119-0 and,

WHEREAS, each BOARD retains the legal authority to contract with the successful Vendor(s) and shall not be bound by purchase contracts or other agreements made by the other BOARD(S), therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, that the BOARD OF EDUCATION of Valley Stream Union Free School District 13 hereby agrees to participate with the **attached** named school districts in such cooperative bids.

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

Cross Contract for Nassau BOCES Services for Enviroscience Consultants
To approve Cross Contract for Nassau BOCES services for Enviroscience Consultants/Lab Services district wide.

NASSAU BOCES CROSS
CONTRACT APPROVED

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

Health & Welfare Resolutions for 2015 – 2016

To approve Health and Welfare expenses for those Valley Stream UFSD #13 students attending schools in the *East Rockaway Public Schools* at rate of \$1074.07 per student for the 2015 – 2016 school year.

2015-16 HEALTH & WELFARE
CONTRACT APPROVED

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

Transportation Contracts for 2016 – 2017

To approve the following contract extensions and new transportation contracts bid at June CPI of 0.9% as bid on May 25, 2016 by the Southwest Quadrant:

2016-17 TRANSPORTATION
CONTRACTS APPROVED

Acme Transportation

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| Ideal Montessori | 1 pupil | \$ 724.00 per pupil per month |
| Hamza School | 11 pupils | Cost pending number of pupils |
| | | Van Share with SWQ – \$3890 per month per van* |

First Student

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| Evergreen Charter | 1 pupil | 777.00 per pupil per month |
| Notre Dame | 1 pupil | 2400.00 per pupil per month |
| | 9 pupils | 10.00 per add'l pupil per month |
| Roosevelt Charter | 2 pupils | 624.57 per pupil per month |
| Waldorf | 1 pupil | 4100 .00 per pupil per month |
| | 2 pupils | 100.00 per add'l pupil per month* |

*Final price determined by # of pupils on Quad route

Independent Coach

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| Lawrence Woodmere | 4 pupils | \$456.00 per pupil per month |
| St. Raymond | 1 pupil | 414.00 per pupil per month |
| St. Agnes | 4 pupils | 314.00 per pupil per month |
| Valley Stream Christian | 2 pupils | 888.00 per pupil per month |

Suburban Bus

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| AHRC | 2 pupils | \$ 497.00 per pupil per month |
| | 1 matron | 1597.00 per matron per month |
| DDI | 1 pupil | 1597.00 per pupil per month |
| | 1 matron | 1849.00 per matron per month |
| Sp, Ed. Van (Sp. Ed.) | 6 vans | 3747.00 per van per month |
| | 6 matrons | 1750.00 per matron per month |
| Homeless Van | 1 Van | 4147.00 per van per month |
| Jerusalem Ave School | 2 pupils | 459.00 per pupil per month |
| | 1 matron | 149.00 per matron per month |
| Jerusalem Ave - CRC School | 3 pupils | 459.00 per pupil per month |
| | 1 matron | 1949.00 per matron per month |
| Little Village | 1 pupil | 613.82 per pupil per month |
| | 1 pupil (Non Amb) | 1641.99 per pupil per month |
| | matron | 1539.17 per pupil per month |
| Our Lady of Peace | 1 pupil | 900.00 per pupil per month |
| | 10 pupils | 179.00 per add'l pupil per month |
| St. Thomas | 1 pupil | 900.00 per van per month |
| | 8 pupils | 253.00 per add'l pupil per month |

Veterans

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| Divine Wisdom | 1 pupil | \$ 966.00 per pupil per month |
| Grace Christian Academy | 4 pupils | 1093.25 per pupil per month |
| HANC | 1 pupil | 699.00 per pupil per month |
| Holy Name of Mary | 13 pupils | 243.15 per pupil per month |
| In District | 10 buses | 6075.00 per bus per month |
| | 4 K vans | 3688.00 per van per month |
| Kellenberg | 8 pupils | 319.00 per pupil per month |
| Michael Stokes | 1 pupil | 840.02 per pupil per month |
| Our Lady of Lourdes | 1 van | 3688.00 per van per month |
| Progressive | 1 pupil | 512.57 per pupil per month |
| St. Anne's | 1 van | 3688.00 per van per month |
| Valley Stream Christian | 2 pupils | 288.00 per pupil per month |

WE Transport

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| Buckley School | 1 pupil | \$1500.00 per pupil per month |
| Cambria Center for the Gifted | 1 pupil | 481.25 per pupil per month |
| Flushing Christian | 1 pupil | 2416.00 per pupil per month |
| Howell Wheelchair Van | 1 pupil | 2825.00 per pupil per month |
| Linden SDA | 1 pupil | 515.00 per pupil per month |
| Mill Neck | 2 pupils | 1800.00 per pupil per month |
| St. Joseph | 1 pupil | 1909.00 per pupil per month |
| | 1 pupil | 370.00 per add'l pupil per month |
| Martin De Porres | 1 pupil | 845.00 per pupil per month |
| | 1 pupil | 345.00 per add'l pupil per month |
| | 1 matron | 1450.00 per pupil per month |

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

POLICY COMMITTEE [T. Pomerantz, M. Vicente]

Policies for 1st Reading

- 6150.1 Capital Project Change Orders
- 7335 Construction Project Records and Report

POLICIES FOR 1ST READING

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE [Vice President V. Pandit]

Committee on Pre-school Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Pre-school Education Reviews dated 7/20/16.

CPSE REVIEWS ADOPTED

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

Contract Renewal with St. Joseph's College

To approve the contract renewal between the Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen Board of Education and St. Joseph's College to provide clinical experience for the registered nursing students for the 2016-2017 school year.

**ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE
CONTRACT APPROVED**

Moved by Trustee Pandit, seconded by Trustee Vicente and carried unanimously.

Board Member and Administrator Liability

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District 13 hereby adopts and extends the coverage provided by Section 18 of the New York State Public Officers Law to the following titles: members of the Board of Education; Superintendent of Schools; Assistant Superintendent for Business and Human Resources; Assistant Superintendent for Special Services, Assistant

**BOARD MEMBER/ADMIN.
LIAB. INS. APPROVED**

Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction. The adoption of this provision is intended to supplement the protection available to such individuals by virtue of already existing statutory provisions or other sources. The Superintendent or her designee shall take steps necessary to obtain insurance protection against the potential liability to the District arising out of the adoption of this provision.

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

Resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of School, the Board of Education extends the contract of Syntax to September 30, 2016.

SYNTAX CONTRACT EXT.
TO 9/30/16 APPROVED

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

Resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves a contract with Zimmerman/Edelson, Inc. for the period of October 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 and authorizes the Board President to execute said contract.

ZIMMERMAN/EDELSON, INC.
CONTRACT APPROVED
10/1/16-6/30/17

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

Report of the Attorney

John Sheahan

John Sheahan reported on the 3rd Division Appellate Court ruling on all matters from a private class action suit against DASA.

High School Report

Trustee Chiachiere

Trustee Chiachiere gave the following report. At the reorg meeting, Cristobal Stewart was elected President and Anthony Iadevaio was elected Vice President. With the passage of the Capital Reserve Fund, the District added four new computer labs and 120 computers. They are anticipating 30 new teachers. The High School District applied for admission to the new Advanced Placement Capstone program for 2017-18. This provides students with an opportunity to obtain a nationally recognized graduation credential that speaks to their ability to complete highly rigorous course work as well as an individual research project that is based upon personal interest. Supt. Heidenreich was awarded a scholarship from the NYS Insurance Reciprocal (NYSIR) to attend a Summer Leadership Institute at Harvard on July 18th and 19th at no cost to the district. The Global Compliance Network provided sexual harassment training to all staff via online module. There will be a presentation for a Bond issue for the High School District at the next BOE meeting. Trustee Pomerantz reported Principal Anthony Mignella's resignation and Mike Kaplan stepping in as Interim Principal at Memorial Junior High School.

Old Business

Appointment of Alternate District Clerk

Trustee Vicente was nominated as the Alternate District Clerk to serve during the absence of the District Clerk for the 2016-2017 school year.

M. VICENTE APPOINTED
ACTING DISTRICT CLERK

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

HIV/Aids Advisory Council

To appoint by vote, the following to the HIV/Aids Advisory Council:

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| Board Member | Milagros Vicente |
| Administrators: | Lisa Sells-Asch, Darren Gruen |
| Clergy: | Rabbi Burchand, Reverend Keneally |
| Parent: | Mrs. Dervin – Wheeler Avenue School |
| School Nurse | TBD |
| Teacher | Megan Lupo |

HIV/AIDS ADVISORY
COUNCIL APPOINTED

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

Appoint Standing Board Committees (by the President)

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| Policy Committee | Antoinette 'Toni' Pomerantz, Chair Milagros Vicente |
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Appoint Representatives to Negotiating Committees (by the President)

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| Registered Nurses | Milagros Vicente, Chair Sean Douglas |
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| Teaching Assistants | Frank Chiachiere, Chair Milagros Vicente |
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Executive Session

On a motion by Trustee Chiachiere, seconded by Trustee Pomerantz and carried unanimously, the Board moved into Executive Session at 8:45 p.m. to discuss the Superintendent's evaluation and contract and the Asst. Supt. for Sp. Svcs. salary.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Reconvening

The Board reconvened at 9:45 p.m. by President Stris.

RECONVENING

Adjournment

On a motion made by Trustee Pomerantz, seconded by Trustee Vicente and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

MaryAnn Rosamilia

MaryAnn Rosamilia
District Clerk