

Special 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 Wednesday, September 30, 2015.

<u>BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT</u>	<u>OTHERS PRESENT</u>
Trustee Chiachiere Trustee DiSibio Trustee Farrell Trustee Pomerantz Trustee Stris	Trustee Douglas	Superintendent Evelyn Assistant Supt. for Sp. Services Sells-Asch Interim Asst. Supt. for CAT Martin Interim Asst. Supt. for Business Groveman Principal Gruen Principal Huplosky Principal Steele Supvr. Facilities & Operations Daly Acting District Clerk Michels  Approximately 25 Visitors

Convening

The meeting was convened at 7:17 p.m. by President Pomerantz.

CONVENING

Quorum

Five members being present, a quorum was determined.

QUORUM

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome

President Pomerantz thanked everyone for coming to the Special Meeting of the Board of Education. She announced that Superintendent Constance Evelyn was selected by Governor Cuomo to serve on the "Governor's Task Force".

SEQRA Resolution – Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen:

SEQRA

Proposed Bond Referendum

RECOMMENDED ACTION: "that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, the Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen Board of Education approves the following resolution:"

WHEREAS, the Board of Education desires to embark upon the Proposed Bond Referendum for Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen (Project), listed in attachment A hereto; and

WHEREAS, said Project is subject to classification under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA); and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby declares itself lead agency in connection with the requirements of SEQRA; and the Board of Education, as the lead agency, has examined all information related to the Project and has determined that the Project as a whole listed in attachment A hereto is classified as a Type II Action as defined by Section 617.5(c)(8) of the SEQRA Regulations and therefore requires no further review;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby shall forward an official copy of this Resolution to the New York State Education Department together with a copy of the final Project acceptance, upon receipt, from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, in connection with its request for approval of said Project from the New York State Education Department.

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

Resolution of the Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen, New York, Adopted September 30, 2015, Calling a Special District Meeting to Authorize the Expenditure of Moneys for School Purposes and the Levy of a Tax Therefor:

SPECIAL DISTRICT  
MEETING 12/8/15  
BOND REFERENDUM  
APPROVED

Resolved by the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen, in the County of Nassau, New York, as Follows:

Section 1. A Special District Meeting of the qualified voters of the Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen, in the County of Nassau, New York (the "District"), shall be held within the District, on Tuesday, December 8, 2015, at 6:00 o'clock A.M. (Prevailing Time) at the voting places in each election district, as provided in the Notice calling said Special District Meeting hereinafter substantially prescribed. The voting at such Special District Meeting shall be by voting machine, as provided by the Education Law, and the polls shall remain open from **6:00 o'clock A.M. to 9:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time)** on said day and as much longer as may be necessary to enable the voters, then present, to cast their votes.

Section 2. The business to be acted upon at said Special District Meeting shall be as stated in the Notice thereof, and the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to cause the Notice of said Special District Meeting to be published in "*LI Herald*" and "*Franklin Square Bulletin*," two newspapers having a general circulation within the District, such publications to be made four (4) times within the seven (7) weeks next preceding such Special District Meeting, the first publications to be at least forty-five (45) days prior to the date of said Special District Meeting.

Section 3. Said Notice of Special District Meeting shall be in substantially the following form:

**NOTICE OF SPECIAL DISTRICT MEETING  
VALLEY STREAM UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT THIRTEEN,**

September 30, 2015

**IN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, NEW YORK**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen, in the County of Nassau, New York, has adopted a resolution on September 30, 2015, authorizing a Special District Meeting of the qualified voters of said School District to be held on

**Tuesday, December 8, 2015**

from **6:00 o'clock A.M. to 9:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time)**, for the purpose of voting upon the following Bond Proposition:

**BOND PROPOSITION**

**RESOLVED:**

- (a) That the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen, in the County of Nassau, New York (the "District"), is hereby authorized to construct additions, alterations and improvements to District school buildings and the sites thereof (the "Project"), substantially as described in a report prepared for the District by Burton, Behrendt & Smith, Architects & Engineers, P.C, Patchogue, New York, entitled "Proposed Bond Scope Accepted as of September 13, 2015" (the "Report"), which is on file and available for public inspection at the office of the District Clerk; such Project to include the construction of new cafeteria and kitchen space, and an elevator; interior reconfiguration and partial reconstruction of existing space; installation of new cabinet and sink casework for classrooms; lavatory, auditorium and gymnasium renovations; replacement of unit ventilators and roofs; upgrades to heating, ventilation, air-conditioning, electrical, plumbing, security, fire alarm, and public address systems; and improvements to doors, windows, walls, lighting, masonry and building envelope; and also including ADA, sidewalk, asphalt, building entrance, playground, and drainage improvements; all of the foregoing to include the original furnishings, equipment, machinery, apparatus and ancillary or related site, demolition and other work required in connection therewith; and to expend therefor, including preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof, an amount not to exceed the estimated total cost of \$32,000,000, provided that the detailed costs of the components of the Project as set in detail in the Report may be reallocated among such components if the Board of Education shall determine that such reallocation is in the best interests of the District;
- (b) that a tax is hereby voted in the aggregate amount of not to exceed \$32,000,000 to finance such costs, such tax to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by said Board of Education; and
- (c) that in anticipation of such tax, bonds of the District are authorized to be issued in the principal amount of not to exceed \$32,000,000 and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on said bonds as the same shall become due and payable.

Such Bond Proposition shall appear on ballot labels to be inserted in the voting machines used for voting at said Special District Meeting in substantially the following condensed form:

**BOND PROPOSITION**

YES NO

**RESOLVED:**

- (a) That the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen, in the County of Nassau, New York (the "District"), is hereby authorized to construct additions, alterations and improvements to District school buildings and the sites thereof, and to expend therefor not to exceed \$32,000,000; (b) that a tax is hereby voted in the amount of not to exceed \$32,000,000 to finance such cost, such tax to be levied and collected in installments in such years and in such amounts as shall be determined by said Board of Education; and (c) that in anticipation of such tax, bonds of the District are authorized to be issued in the principal amount of not to exceed \$32,000,000 and a tax is hereby voted to pay the interest on said bonds as the same shall become due and payable.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that personal registration of voters is required pursuant to § 2014 of the Education Law. The register of the qualified voters of the District prepared for the Annual Meeting and Election held on May 19, 2015 shall be used as the basis for the preparation of the register for said Special District Meeting to be held on December 8, 2015. Any person whose name appears on such register or who shall have been previously registered for any Annual or Special District Meeting or election and who shall have voted at any annual or special meeting or any election held or conducted at any time since January 1, 2011, will not be required to register personally for this Special District Meeting. In addition, any person otherwise qualified to vote who is registered with the Board of Elections of Nassau County under the provisions of the Election Law, shall be entitled to vote at said Special District Meeting without further registration. All other persons who wish to vote at said Special District Meeting must register.

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT** qualified voters may register at the James A. Dever School, Howell Road School, Wheeler Avenue School and Willow Road School any day up until Tuesday, December 1, 2015 between the hours of 8:00 o'clock A.M. and 3:30 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time), except Saturday, Sunday, and school vacations and at such times that the school facilities are closed.

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that the Board of Registration of the District shall meet at the James A. Dever School, on Tuesday, December 1, 2015, between the hours of 5:00 o'clock P.M. and 9:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time) for the purpose of preparing a register of the qualified voters of the District for said Special District Meeting, at which time any person shall be entitled to have his/her name placed upon such register provided that at such meeting of the Board of Registration, he/she is known, or proven to the satisfaction of the Board of Registration, to be then or thereafter entitled to vote at the Special District Meeting for which such register is prepared.

The register shall be filed upon its completion in the office of the District Clerk at James A. Dever School, 585 N. Corona Avenue, Valley Stream, New York where it shall be open for inspection by any qualified voter between the hours of 9:00 o'clock A.M. and 3:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time) on each of the five days prior to the day set for the vote, except Sunday, and between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon on Saturday, December 5, 2015; and at each polling place on the day of the vote.

**PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE** that applications for absentee ballots for the Special District Meeting may be applied for at the Office of the District Clerk, or downloaded from the website at [www.valleystream13.com](http://www.valleystream13.com) under Board of Education. If the ballot is to be mailed to the voter, the completed application must be received by the District Clerk no later than December 1, 2015. If the ballot is to be received by the voter at the office of the District Clerk, the completed application must be received by the District Clerk no later than December 7, 2015.

A list of all persons to whom absentee ballots shall have been issued will be available in the office of the District Clerk during regular business hours on each of the five (5) days prior to the day of the vote, except Saturdays, Sundays and holidays. No absentee voter's ballot shall be canvassed unless it shall have been received in the office of the District Clerk not later than 5:00 o'clock P.M. (Prevailing Time) on the day of said Special District Meeting.

**NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN** that the District has been divided into four election districts, and the boundaries of the four election districts, as established by the Board of Education by resolution adopted on January 28, 1959, may be inspected in the office of the District Clerk. The places of voting and the general boundaries of the election districts are:

**Election District One**

The place of voting will be the Wheeler Avenue School, Wheeler Avenue and Rockaway Parkway, Valley Stream. Said District is the area in the vicinity of the Wheeler Avenue School and the southwesterly portion of the District.

**Election District Two**

The place of voting will be the James A. Dever School, 585 N. Corona Avenue, Valley Stream. Said District is the area in the vicinity of the James A. Dever School and the southeasterly portion of the District.

**Election District Three**

The place of voting will be the Howell Road School, Howell Road and Dana Avenue, Valley Stream. Said District is the area in the vicinity of the Howell Road School and the northwesterly portion of the District.

**Election District Four**

The place of voting will be the Willow Road School, Willow Road and Catalpa Drive, Franklin Square. Said District is the area in the vicinity of the Willow Road School and the northeasterly portion of the District.

A person shall be entitled to vote at said Special District Meeting only if such person is a qualified voter.

**BY THE ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Dated: September 30, 2015

PATRICIA BREWINGTON  
District Clerk

Section 4. The vote upon the Bond Proposition to be submitted to the qualified voters shall be by ballot on voting machines, and the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to have the necessary ballot labels printed for the said voting machines, in form corresponding as nearly as may be with the requirements of the Education Law.

Section 5. The proceeds of the bonds authorized pursuant to the Bond Proposition set forth in Section 3 hereof, and any bond anticipation notes issued in anticipation of said bonds, may be applied to reimburse the District for expenditures made for the purpose or purposes for which said bonds are authorized. The foregoing statement of intent with respect to reimbursement is made in conformity with Treasury Regulation Section 1.150-2 of the United States Treasury Department.

Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

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The adoption of the foregoing resolution was seconded by Board Member William P. Stris and duly put to a vote on roll call which resulted as follows:

AYES: Trustee Stris, Trustee Chiachiere, Trustee DiSibio, Vice-President Farrell, President Pomerantz  
NOES: NONE

The resolution was declared adopted.

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

President Pomerantz advised that Trustee Douglas is 100% supportive of the bond.

On the Question: President Pomerantz advised the community that the Board visited the buildings and reviewed the proposed projects in July and August. Superintendent Evelyn presented the Bond Referendum, and Dr. Groveman explained the bond process.

Roger Smith and David Bozuhoski, Architects from BBS explained the specific work to be done building-by-building, as well as the tentative timeframe for the work if the Bond Referendum passes.

Visitors

VISITORS

The following visitors addressed the Board of Education:

1. D. Miserandin – Capital Reserve
2. I. West – Air conditioning in classrooms
3. V. Toma – Use of solar power
4. C. O’Toole – Bond approval
5. K. Wilder – How will the public be approached regarding the Bond Referendum
6. L. Buccellato – Budget contingency
7. D. Vega Saudo – Willow Road School Playground
8. M. Canestro – Air quality – AC in Auditorium/Gym
9. L. Modica

Election for a Member of the Board of Education Vacant Seat

ELECTION FOR VACANT SEAT BOARD OF ED.

Be it hereby resolved that at the special district election to be held in the Valley Stream Union Free School District 13 on Tuesday, December 8, 2015, the following proposition shall also be voted upon: to elect a member of the Board of Education to fill the vacant seat of occasioned by the resignation of Denise Diodato, pursuant to Education Law §2112. Said term for the newly elected Board member shall commence immediately upon the qualification of the person so elected and will expire on June 30, 2018.

Be it further resolved that the District Clerk be directed to publish such notices as are required by law.

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

Executive Session

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 9:20 p.m. a motion was made for an Executive Session by Trustee Stris for the purpose of personnel of a particular person and the position of Assistant Superintendent for Business & Human Resources, seconded by Trustee Farrell and carried unanimously. The Superintendent was invited to attend. It is anticipated that there will be no action.

Reconvening

RECONVENING

The meeting was reconvened by President Pomerantz at 10:15 p.m.

Adjournment

ADJOURNMENT

At 10:15 p.m. a motion to adjourn was made by Trustee Stris, seconded by Trustee Farrell and carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,

*Denise Michels*

Denise Michels  
Acting District Clerk

PROPOSED BOND 10-7-15

WORK

	DEVER	HOWELL	WHEELER	WILLOW
<i>Environmental Contingencies</i>	A	A	A	A
Provide portable wheelchair lift access to the stage for compliance with the ADA (Movable to any Bldg as needed)	A	B	B	B
Renovate completely, all existing group toilet rooms, including new floor and wall tile, fixtures, partitions, and accessories	A	A	A	A
Add cafeteria space to South side of building 2: To refurbish min-gym to house basement art and music rooms; 3: refurbish basment into other usable space			A	
Add 400 s.f. to the existing kitchen and renovate the balance of the space. An allowance of \$100k for new equipment is included.	A	A		A
Replace rotting H.M. exterior door assemblies with FRP and aluminum frame systems	B	B	B	B
Replace all existing corridor door hardware with "Intruder" style lever locksets at all classrooms	A	A	A	A
Replace non-rated, non-compliant doors & closers	A	A	A	A
Furnish and install new s.s. handrails at main corridor ramp; remove handrails from original stairs.	A			
Provide some additional emergency lighting in the first floor hallway areas &/or Gym	A	A	A	
Replace fire alarm system with a new ADA compliant system CO detection, etc.	A	A	A	A
Upgrade the motion detection and general security system system	B	B	B	B
Provide additional CCTV security cameras and moitoring system	A	A	A	A
Provide magnetic hold open devices on the cafeteria doors, first floor stairwell doors and the auditorium doors to allow the doors to close automatically in the event of a fire alarm.			A	
Add card access at four (4) exterior doors as discussed to replace keypads.	A	A	A	A
Upgrade the older type emergency and exit lighting, and circuits which are nearing the end of their life expectancy.	B	B	B	B
Replace PA system with a new handset type system to allow for increase security	A	A	A	A
Repair or replace the disconnected boiler room combustion air intake damper proving switch, which appeared to be not wired at the time of our walkthrough.	A			
Reopen the relief air openings in the hallway areas to allow for proper relief air out of the building.	Done	A	A	A
Provide a heating and ventilation source in the string room, which was originally an unheated storage room.			A	
Refurbish all fresh air intake dampers to restore to proper code compliant condition.	Done	A	A	A
Refurbish previously devided rooms to provide code required fresh air	A	A	A	A
Clear all rooftop plumbing vents and provide vandal resistant caps.	A	A	A	A
Replace existing asphalt including repair of any existing, or addition of required new drywells	A	A	Done	A
Provide vacuum breakers where absent to prevent a possible back siphonage, and cross contamination of the buildings potable water supply system.	A	NA	A	A
Provide an emergency eyewash station on the nurses office sink.			A	
Provide new conc. ADA ramp at main entrance.			A	

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Renovate existing auditorium, including replacement of all cushions, low level lighting and repainting			A	
Provide additional electric circuits	A	A	A	A
Additional electric panels for new circuits	B	B	Inc. Café	B
Replace original electrical switchgear and replace panels	A	A	A	A
Provide additional exterior security lighting	A	A	NA	A
Replace the gymnasium original heating and ventilating unit, which was not functional at the time of our inspection.		A		A
Replace the 3/4 inch condensate return line in the front of the building with a larger line to allow for proper flow.	A	A	NA	A
Repair or replace the non-functioning or improperly functioning drinking fountains in the hallway	A	A	A	A
Construct a 3-stop elevator connecting the first & second floors and basement & create an area of refuge at two stairwells			A	
Replace original rooftop exhaust fans which are also nearing the end of their life expectancy.	A	A	A	A
Remove two (2) existing, non-conforming, wood-constructed storage spaces from the gymnasium	A			
Make miscellaneous repairs to cracked plaster walls in all corridors	A	A	A	NA
Replace the mixing valve in the boiler room to restore to proper operation.	NA	A	A	NA
Install new rubber surface matting around Kindergarten playground equipment. Allowance amount stated is for 3,000 s.f. of surfacing.	A	A	A	A
Remove existing inset tile system at main entry porch, install new paver system with higher C/F.			A	
Chimney is cracked and deteriorated, remove and rebuild upper portions	A	A	A	A
Provide a new 100 kw, roll-up generator connection to handle lighting, phone system, data network system and the heating system boilers, etc.	A	A	A	A
Replace approximately 140 unit ventilators which are nearing the end of their life expectancy	A	A	A	A
Install rubberized tread and riser covers on all stairs and landings. Allowance amount for seven (7) stairways.			A	
Replace the original H&V unit for the auditorium with a new rooftop HVAC	A		A	
Replace the original grease trap in the kitchen floor to restore to proper condition.	A	NA	NA	A
Replace deteriorated slate entry pads w/ poured concrete.	A	A		A
Replace existing classroom casework, new to be oak cabinets with laminate tops and drop-in sinks where required.	A	A	A	A
Abate all crawlspace areas and reinsulate all piping to allow for proper access for routine and emergency maintenance.	A	A	A	A
Broken window panes of 1" insulated glass have been replaced with 1/4" plexiglass over the years. Scope is to remove the plexiglass and wood shims and re-glaze the existing sashes with 1" insulated glass.	A	A	Done	A
Rectify moisture infiltration issues at cafeteria stairwell walls; assumes exposing foundation and applying a waterproofing system to the full perimeter. Includes a \$5,000 allowance for exploratory investigation.			A	



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Replace all original wood, double-hung basement windows with thermally broken, insulated, aluminum frame sliding windows. Cost stated is for 17 windows.			A	
Replace existing concrete steps/ landings and railings @ rear of building (3 locations), furnish new handrails at steps on front of building (4 pairs).			A	
Replace existing concrete sidewalk across the two building front sides. Allowance amount stated is for ± 2,400 s.f. of sidewalk.	A	A	A	A
Add two drywells to exterior staircases for basement egress.			A	
Cap existing wood fascia w/ prefinished .063 aluminum break metal; replace existing painted aluminum soffits w/ new. Areas not associated with roof replacement, approx. 456 l.f.	A	A	NA	A
Repair existing cracks and perform spot repointing to existing brick veneer in multiple locations	A	A	A	A
Replace existing out-of-warranty or leaking roofs with new 2-ply modified bitumen roofing system.	Done	A	A	A
Remove the abandoned domestic hot water storage tank and re-pipe the hot water recirculation loop in the boiler room area.	A	A	A	A
Repaint gymnasium, all walls full height; Sand, refinish and restripe gym floor.	A	A	A	A
Provide additional Electrical circuits and receptacles in the classroom areas to provide for proper coverage as discussed.			B	
Replace the original wiring in the 1924 section of the building.			B	
Replace or repair all original non-functional plumbing gate valves.	A	A	A	A
Replace four (4) non-functional exterior hose faucets with new non-freeze vandal resistant type.	A	A	A	A
Replace the older type gas fired domestic water heater, which is nearing the end of its life expectancy.	A	A	Done	NA
Repair/service existing roof drain drywells along Corona Ave. which have become blocked with roots and debris. Existing pools are suspected block; cost stated reflects opening, clearing repairs to drain lines, site restoration and replacement of one pool.	A			
Repair field runoff from new handball court and field entry near garbage shed to alleviate erosion problems. Regrade area, break hard-pan, import topsoil and seed.		A		
Construct a new ±400 s.f. addition to the business office to house a conference room. Cost stated includes renovation of a portion of the existing Business office.	B			
Renovate completely, the existing art room, including new casework, plaster traps and kiln room.	A	A	A	A
Provide portable wheelchair lift access to the stage for compliance with the ADA	A	B	B	B
Replace rotting H.M. exterior door assemblies with FRP and aluminum frame systems	B	B	B	B
Upgrade the motion detection and general security system system	B	B	B	B
Upgrade the older type emergency and exit lighting, and circuits which are nearing the end of their life expectancy.	B	B	B	B
Replace the non-functional gymnasium original heating and ventilating unit with HVAC		B		B
Additional electric panels for new circuits	B	B	-	B
Provide additional Electrical circuits and receptacles in the classroom areas to provide for proper coverage as discussed.	-	-	B	-

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Replace the original wiring in the 1924 section of the building.	-	-	B	-
Install new rubber surface matting around additional playground equipment.	B	B	B	B