

Regular meeting of the Board of Education of Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen held in the Board Room of the James A. Dever School on Tuesday, December 21, 2010.

<u>BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT</u>	<u>OTHERS PRESENT</u>
Trustee Chiachiere	Trustee Gartner	Superintendent Lison
Trustee DiSibio		Asst. Supt. for Business Brosnan
Trustee Douglas		Asst. Supt. for Curric. & Instr. Roth
Trustee Evans		Asst. Supt. for Special Services Sells-Asch
Trustee Greco Jacobs		School District Attorney Frazer
Trustee Stris		District Clerk Michels
		2 Visitors

Convening
The meeting was convened at 7:15 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 the employment history of a particular person and to discuss collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service Law (the Taylor Law) on a motion made by Trustee DiSibio, seconded by Trustee Evans and carried unanimously. The Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents, and the Attorney were invited to attend.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Reconvening
The meeting was reconvened at 8:10 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 October 26, November 23, and November 29, 2010 meetings.

MINUTES OF 10/26, 11/23, 11/29 MEETINGS APPROVED

Moved by Trustee Stris, with amendments to the October 23, 2010 Minutes, seconded by Trustee DiSibio and carried unanimously.

Correspondence

CORRESPONDENCE

- An invitation from the School District Internal Auditing Alliance through Nawrocki Smith, LLP, to attend a winter conference on January 12, 2011 in Melville entitled "Best Practices for Effective Operation of the School District Audit Committee."
- An invitation from Nassau BOCES to attend a presentation entitled "Nassau School and Municipal Savings Initiative" on January 26, 2011 in Oceanside.

Report of the Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Elizabeth Lison

Superintendent Lison gave the following report: December was a very busy month with concerts and charitable programs in all buildings. School re-opens on January 3, 2011 and students will be preparing for the state assessments. The members of the Leadership Team have been busy preparing the preliminary draft of the 2011-2012 budget. Community members are encouraged to attend the budget workshop that will be held on February 9th at 6:00 PM in the Board Room. Dr. Lison wished everyone a happy holiday and a happy, healthy New Year.

Employment of a Classroom Aide
To employ Christine Davi as a Classroom Aide at James A. Dever School on Step 1 (\$15,700) effective December 22, 2010 and unless sooner terminated.

C. DAVI EMPLOYED AS A CRA

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

Employment of a Classroom Aide
To employ Jacqueline Singer as a Classroom Aide at James A. Dever School on Step 1 (\$15,700) effective December 22, 2010 and unless sooner terminated.

J. SINGER EMPLOYED AS A CRA

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

Resignation of a Noon Hour Aide

To accept the resignation of Linda Khalil, Noon Hour Aide at Howell Road School, effective December 7, 2010.

L. KHALIL'S RESIGNED AS A NHA

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

Employment of a Noon Hour Aide

To employ Randi Carcione as a Noon Hour Aide assigned to Willow Road School effective December 22, 2010 on Step 1 (\$10.10 per hour), and unless sooner terminated.

R. CARCIONE EMPLOYED AS A NHA

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

Committee Reports

EDUCATION [J. Gartner, S. Douglas]

Gate Advancement

To approve the recommendation of the Superintendent for the Gate increases according to the Board/VSTA contract as follows:

GATE ADVANCEMENTS

- Louise Marchesi from Step 19 to Step 20 effective January 1, 2011
- Anne O'Sullivan from Step 14 to Step 15 effective January 15, 2011

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

Change in Salary

To change the salary for Lauren Sposito to Step 1MA+45 (\$71,349) effective September 1, 2010.

L. SPOSITO'S SALARY CHANGED TO 1MA

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

Substitute Teacher List

To approve the Substitute Teacher List for the 2010-2011 school year.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER LIST APPROVED

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

Per Diem Rate of Pay for Substitute Gifted and Talented Teacher

To approve the per diem rate of pay of \$150 for Christine Shenocker as a Gifted and Talented Substitute Teacher effective January 10, 2011.

PER DIEM SUBSTITUTE PAY \$150 FOR G & T TEACHER

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

BUSINESS [J. DiSibio, D. Evans]

Treasurer's Report

To accept the Treasurer's Report for the month ending November 30, 2010.

TREASURER'S REPORT

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

Standard Work Day and Reporting

BE IT RESOLVED, that Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen hereby establishes the following as standard work days for elected and appointed officials and will report the following days worked to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based on the record of activities maintained and submitted by these officials to the clerk of this body:

STANDARD WORK DAY

Title	Standard Work Day	Term	Participates in Time Keeping
Superintendent	9 hours	7/1/08-6/30/11	Yes
District Clerk	8 hours	7/1/10-6/30/11	Yes

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

Budget Transfer

To approve the following transfers effective December 22, 2010

BUDGET TRANSFERS

<i>From:</i>			
A9030.800.01	Social Security		\$ 7,000
A9060.800.01	Health Insurance		\$ 7,000
<i>To:</i>			
A1430.400.01	Personnel Contract Services		\$14,000
 <i>From:</i>			
A5540.404.01	Contract Buses – Spec. Ed.		\$12,000
<i>To:</i>			
A5540.405.01	Contract Buses – BOCES		\$12,000

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

Mileage Reimbursement Rate

To adopt the IRS mileage rate of \$.51 per mile effective January 1, 2011.

MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT RATE

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

POLICY COMMITTEE [W. Stris, J. Greco Jacobs]

No report this month

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE [Vice President J. Gartner]

Committee Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Special Education Reviews dated 11/12, 11/16, 11/17, 11/22, 11/23D, 11/23, 12/1/10.

CSE REVIEWS ADOPTED

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

Committee on Pre-School Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Pre-School Education Reviews dated 12/1, 12/2, 12/14/10.

CPSE REVIEWS ADOPTED

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

Establish the 2010-2011 Salary for the Superintendent of Schools

To establish the salary for the 2010-2011 school year for Dr. Elizabeth Lison at \$245,268.

SUPERINTENDENT’S SALARY ESTABLISHED

Moved by Trustee Greco Jacobs, seconded by Trustee DiSibio, a “No” vote being heard, the Clerk was asked to poll the board:

Trustee Stris	No	Trustee DiSibio	Yes
Trustee Greco Jacobs	Yes	Trustee Douglas	Yes
Trustee Evans	Yes	Trustee Chiachiere	Yes

The vote is 5-1 in favor, motion carries.

In accordance with Policy #2360, Trustee Stris submitted the following statement: “I believe a 3.5% increase, or \$8,294, in the Superintendent’s salary in her last year is excessive in this present economic climate.”

Acceptance of a Donation

To accept the donation of two desks, one at Wheeler Avenue School and one at Howell Road School, for an approximate value of \$600 from Mr. Pandit, a Howell Road School parent.

Moved by Trustee Stris, seconded by Trustee Greco Jacobs, with thanks, and carried unanimously.

Report of the Attorney
Florence Frazer

No report this month.

NEW BUSINESS

President Chiachiere advised that letters were distributed to the community concerning the superintendent’s search, and dates were established for the various focus groups to meet with the search consultants, School Leadership, to develop characteristics, leadership style, and a profile to assist them in the recruitment process of the new superintendent. There is an on-line survey for those who would like to participate in this process. It can be found on the home page of the district web-site at www.valleystream13.com and the link is www.surveymonkey.com/s/valleystream13.

President Chiachiere wished everyone a Happy Holiday and a Happy, Healthy New Year.

Adjournment

On a motion made by Trustee Stris, seconded by Trustee Greco Jacobs and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Denise Michels

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District Clerk