

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 Tuesday, May 23, 2017.

<u>BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT</u>	<u>OTHERS PRESENT</u>
Trustee Douglas*	Trustee Chiachiere	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**		Principal Gruen
		Principal Huplosky
		Principal Steele
		School District Attorney Sheahan
		District Clerk Rosamilia
		Approximately 200 Visitors

Convening CONVENING
 The Board of Education Commendations Ceremony was convened at 6:30 p.m. by President Stris.

Commendations Ceremony

Superintendent Evelyn presented the following commendation certificates to students and staff for their outstanding achievements:

<u>Long Island Art Teachers Association Art in the Heart Exhibit</u>			
Alexa Casalo	Duke Carrasco	William Cooper	Esther Fa
Valarie Gooharoo	Simardeep Kaur	Dean Lewis	Matthew O'Hara
Kimont Person	Abrielle Remy	Layla Rutledge	Gianna Sinner
<u>New York State Art Teachers Association Portfolio Project</u>			
Victoria Andreo	Gianna Betzu	Morgan Buly	Emily Dahl
Reilly Daly	Zoe Inshanally	Michelle Kantor	Hayden LaJoie
Isabella Muoio	Jayden Rodriguez	Isabella Somma	Abigail St. Fort
Hannah Yack			
<u>NYSSBA-NYSATA School Board X Art Exhibit</u>			
Asima Hosein	Carmela Krsulic	Alexandra Mateo	
<u>New York State Art Teachers Association Legislative Art Exhibit</u>			
Athena Alcala	Wilanne Augustin	Brianna Barrios	Sophia Buccellato
Azekel Campbell	Noah Lopez	Gabriella Perlaza	Noah St. Fort
<u>All County Art Supervisors' Association</u>			
Nicholas Baez	Abdul Bari	Christian Calderon	Kayla Doria
Alyssa Garufi	Tripatjot Kaur	Rei Maldonado	Ashley Mennecke
Kevin Ospina	Gabriella Palma	Kira Sherman	Aarish Talukdar
<u>Colors of Long Island Art Exhibit at Stony Brook Museum</u>			
Faylene Del-Valle	Sophia Hines	Ava Hinson	Juan Jose Magarin
Chamille Malcolm	Sebastian Renteria	Alexa Silva	Erik Ziemblicki
<u>Art Exhibit at Sip This Coffee Shop</u>			
Emilio Aponte	Henry Correa	Nidha Dar	Kayla Duncan
Sofia Garnier	Sabrina Garufi	Olivia Knight	Hannah Lee
Lily Leus	Grace Mahony	Dante Melisi	Zady Manguia-Barahona
Allessia Rose Nunnari	Daniella Orozco	Zaineb Salmi	Christian Santos
Jarah Jenica Sta Maria	Natalia Seward	Nabiha Syed	Brianna Walker
<u>2017 Outstanding Physical Education Student Award</u>			
Faith Butler	Tori Daniels	Sienna Dessources	Emmanuel Kasiotis
Hayden LaJoie	Peter Mastrota	Jaiden Mathieu	Jayden Vera

Michaela Sinclair was selected by the Continental Mathematics League as a National Student Winner for the Euclidean Division.

Abhishek Shastri was congratulated for his contribution and work towards helping to save the environment.

Paula Barnick was congratulated for her outstanding contribution and enhancements to the reading environment for the Howell Road community.

Trustee Pandit was congratulated on earning the New York State School Boards Association 'School Board U' in recognition of Board Achievement award.

There was a recess at 7:05 p.m.

*Trustee Douglas arrived at 7:05 p.m.

Executive Session

At 7:20 p.m. Trustee Pomerantz made a motion for Executive Session, seconded by Trustee Douglas and carried unanimously to discuss the personnel of a particular person and Superintendent’s Evaluation.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

**Trustee Vicente arrived at 8:00 p.m.

Reconvening

The meeting was reconvened at 8:05 p.m. by President Stris.

RECONVENING

Quorum

Five members being present, a quorum was determined.

QUORUM

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome

Approval of the Minutes

To approve the minutes of the March 21, 2017 Committee/Special meeting and March 28, 2017 Board meeting.

MINUTES OF 3/21 AND 3/28 MEETINGS APPROVED

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

Correspondence

Correspondence was received from Denise Michels indicating her resignation for the purpose of retirement effective July 22, 2017.
Correspondence was received from Guercio & Guercio regarding retention/destruction of election ballots.

CORRESPONDENCE
D. MICHELS
GUERCIO & GUERCIO

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

Constance D. Evelyn

Principal Gruen presented a powerpoint on James A. Dever School’s mid-year review and goals for the 2016-2017 school year.

Committee Reports

EDUCATION [F. Chiachiere, S. Douglas]

Resignation of a Special Education Teacher

To accept the resignation of Debra Ann Zuccherro, Special Education Teacher at Willow Road School, effective June 30, 2017.

D. ZUCCHERO RESIGNATION
ACCEPTED

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

Resignation of an ENL Teacher

To accept the resignation of Anna Bongiorno, ENL Teacher at Willow Road School, effective June 30, 2017.

A. BONGIORNO RESIGNATION
ACCEPTED

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

Resignation of a Noon Hour Supervisor

To accept the resignation of Paul Lotz, Noon Hour Supervisor at Willow Road School, effective May 10, 2017.

P. LOTZ RESIGNATION
ACCEPTED

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

RULER Program Workshop

To approve payment for presenting a parent workshop on the RULER Program on May 25, 2017 to Susan Nissen and Karen Jason at the rate of \$69.72 per hour, not to exceed two hours.

RULER PROGRAM WORKSHOP
APPROVED

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

Resignation – Media Aide

To accept the resignation of Debora McDougall, Media Aide at Willow Road School, effective May 13, 2017.

D.MCDOUGALL RESIGNATION
ACCEPTED

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

Resignation - Noon Hour Aide

To accept the resignation for Julia Carucci, Noon Hour Aide at Willow Road School effective May 15, 2017.

J. CARUCCI RESIGNATION
ACCEPTED

Moved by Trustee Douglas, seconded by Trustee Vicente and carried unanimously

Resignation for Retirement - Noon Hour Aide

To accept the resignation for Mildred Hendrickson, Noon Hour Aide at Willow Road School effective June 21, 2017.

M. HENDRICKSON
RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

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

Resignation - Classroom Aide

To accept the resignation for Linda Katz, Classroom Aide at Willow Road School effective May 18, 2017.

L. KATZ RESIGNATION
ACCEPTED

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

Resignation - Classroom Aide

To accept the resignation for Patricia Sullivan, Classroom Aide at James A. Dever School effective June 23, 2017.

P. SULLIVAN RESIGNATION
ACCEPTED

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

Resignation for Retirement – Classroom Aides

To accept the resignation for the purpose of retirement for the following Classroom Aides effective June 30, 2017:

B. CASH, T. DIMARTINO,
M. ISACOFF, C. O'BRIEN
RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

- Barbara Cash – Howell Road School
- Toniann DiMartino – Willow Road School
- Mindy Isacoff – Howell Road School
- Colleen O'Brien – Howell Road School

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

Classroom/Noon Hour Aide Substitute List

To add Sadia Amir to the Classroom/Noon Hour Aide Substitute List.

S. AMIR APPROVED
NOON HOUR SUB. LIST

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

Substitute Teacher List

To approve the updated substitute teacher list for the 2016-2017 school year.

UPDATED SUB. TEACHER
LIST APPROVED

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

BUSINESS COMMITTEE [P. Farrell, V. Pandit]

Treasurer's Report

To accept the Treasurer's Report for the month ending April 30, 2017.

TREASURER'S REPORT
ENDING 4/30/17 ACCEPTED

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

Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement

To accept the Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement of Denise Michels, Superintendent's Secretary, effective July 22, 2017 in accordance with the VSTA/EOP Board Agreement in effect on July 1, 2014.

D. MICHELS RESIGNATION
ACCEPTED

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

On the question: Trustee Douglas stated that Denise has been a staunch professional and an asset to the Valley Stream 13 school district throughout her years of service. He has truly enjoyed working with her throughout my tenure and wishes her all the best in her retirement.

Summer Recreation Program Registration Fee

To increase the Registration Fee for the Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen Summer Recreation Program from \$200 to \$210, and to increase the LATE REGISTRATION FEE from \$220 to \$230 effective immediately.

SUMMER REC. PROG. FEE
INCREASE APPROVED

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

Cooperative RFP for Temporary Personnel Services

RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby accepts the contract from Kelly Services for Temporary Personnel Services for the 2017-2018 school year, in accordance with the Cooperative RFP between Valley Stream Union Free School District 13, Valley Stream Union Free School District 24, Valley Stream Union Free School District 30 and Valley Steam Central High School District and hereby authorizes the Board President to execute same:

KELLY SVCS. TEMP.
PERSONNEL SVCS. APPROVED

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that these services are to be performed in accordance with the provisions contained in the RFP and the Proposals.

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

Facility Utilization Study

To approve the Facility Utilization Study Plan with Burton Behrendt Smith (BBS, Architects and Stanton Leggett & Associates (SLA) for an amount not to exceed \$27,000.

FACILITY UTILIZATION
STUDY APPROVED

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

Capital Project Bid Recommendation

To award the following capital projects to the lowest responsible bidder from the sealed bids opened on May 9, 2017.

S&P CONSTRUCTION MGMT
AWARDED CAPTIAL PROJECT

Toilet Room Renovations at the Wheeler Avenue Elementary School
SED # 280213-02-0-003-022 Wheeler

Contractor: S & P Construction Management, Inc. of East Meadow, NY
Amount: \$341,351

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

POLICY COMMITTEE [T. Pomerantz, M. Vicente]

Policy for 1st Reading

- 0100 – Non-Discrimination and Equal Opportunity

POLICY FOR 1ST READING

FACILITIES COMMITTEE [T. Pomerantz]

Trustee Pomerantz reported that the newly formed Facilities Committee met on Wednesday, May 17 at 1:00 p.m. in the District Board Room. The ongoing work of our bond was discussed. We are now in phase 2 of the work on our facilities. Phase 1 consisted of work on the roofs and chimneys which was completed last summer. Throughout the school year, concrete work was done when school was not in session. Phase 2 will begin at the end of June when school is no longer in session. The gymnasiums in all four buildings will be worked on, as well as the bathrooms at the Wheeler Avenue School and the addition of an ADA ramp.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE [Vice President V. Pandit]

Committee on Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Special Education Reviews dated 3/8, 3/13, 3/20, 3/21, 3/24, 3/27, 4/3, 4/4, 4/5, 4/6, 4/7, 4/17, 4/19, 4/19MillNeck, 4/28, 5/1, 5/10ineligible, 5/10/2017.

CSE REVIEWS ADOPTED

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

Committee on Pre-School Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Pre-school Special Education Reviews dated 3/21, 3/29, 3/29, 4/26/2017.

CPSE REVIEWS ADOPTED

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

Home Tutoring

To approve home tutoring for a student effective April 3, 2017 for approximately four weeks. The tutor will be Barbara Farrell.

B. FARRELL APPROVED
FOR HOME TUTORING

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

Rescind Resolution Accepting a Donation

To rescind the resolution accepting a donation of a piano at the April 25, 2017 Board of Education Meeting as close inspection reveals the piano is beyond cost effective repair.

PIANO DONATION
RESCINDED

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

REMINDER

The June 20, 2017 Board of Education meeting **will be changed** to Wednesday, June 14, 2017, and the Committee Meeting is rescheduled for Monday, June 5, 2017. Both meetings begin at 8 PM.

Important Information

The Reorganization meeting date has been changed to Wednesday, July 5, 2017.

Report of the Attorney

School District Attorney John Sheahan reported on a case regarding an employment matter which involved reducing a school psychologist’s position with the district.

High School Report

Trustee Pomerantz reported that Memorial JHS received the prestigious designation of Schools to Watch by the NYS Department of Education and NYS Middle School Association. On Tuesday, May 9th marked the 2017 Tenure Celebration at Memorial Junior High School. Ten teachers and three teacher assistants received tenure, as well as the appointment of three department chairs. Mathew Pearson, Assistant Principal at CHS was honored, although he was previously tenured during the 2016-2017 school year. The students in the Culinary Arts program, under the direction of teacher Peter Augello prepared a delicious dinner. The North Breakfast Club String Ensemble and the VSN 7:10 Downbeats did a wonderful job entertaining all in attendance. Students from Central, North and South received art awards. The Memorial Players production was on May 13th. The residency committee will meet on Tuesday, May 30, 2017 in the District Board Room. The next Board of Education meeting is June 6, 2017 at 8:00 p.m. in the District Board Room. Nassau BOCES held their State of the Agency Address on May 18, 2017.

Old Business

There is no Old Business to report

New Business

Superintendent Evelyn stated that each year, the Stony Brook University Chapter of Phi Delta Kappa International bestows “Friends of Education” awards to honor the commitment and accomplishments of outstanding educators, staff members, and community members throughout Nassau and Suffolk Counties. I am pleased to announce that Dr. Frank Chiachiere is one of the nine Long Islanders being recognized for his contributions to the field of education. Specifically, Dr. Chiachiere is being honored for the many years he has committed to the development of the next generation of School Leaders. After over a quarter of a century of service in our district, he has certainly done his part for Valley Stream 13 UFSD.

Executive Session

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At 8:46 p.m. Trustee Douglas made a motion for Executive Session, seconded by Trustee Pomerantz and carried unanimously to discuss the Superintendent’s Evaluation.

Reconvening

President Stris reconvened the meeting at 10:30 p.m.

Adjournment

ADJOURNMENT

On a motion made by Trustee Douglas, seconded by Trustee Vicente and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

MaryAnn Rosamilia

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District Clerk