

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, February 28, 2017.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

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OTHERS PRESENT

Trustee Chiachiere
Trustee Douglas
Trustee Farrell
Trustee Pandit
Trustee Pomerantz
Trustee Stris
Trustee Vicente

Superintendent Evelyn
Asst. Supt. for Sp. Services Sells-Asch
Asst. Supt. for Bus. & HR Antoine
Asst. Supt. for Curr. LaRocca
Principal Ambrosio
Dir. of Tech. Farsaci
School District Attorney Sheahan
Attorney Assistant
District Clerk Rosamilia

Approximately 6 Visitors

Convening

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

CONVENING

Quorum

Seven members being present, a quorum was determined.

QUORUM

Executive Session

The Board immediately moved into Executive Session on a motion made by Trustee Chiachiere, seconded by Trustee Farrell and carried unanimously to discuss the personnel of a particular person, administrative and custodial negotiations, legal matters and the Little League agreement. 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 8:05 p.m. by President Stris.

RECONVENING

Quorum

Seven members being present, a quorum was determined.

QUORUM

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome

Approval of the Minutes

To approve the Minutes of the December 14, 2016 Committee Meeting, December 20, 2016 Board of Education meeting and January 24, 2017 Board of Education meeting.

MINUTES OF 12/14/16, 12/20/16,
and 1/24/17 MEETINGS
APPROVED

Correspondence

Correspondence was received from Guercio & Guercio regarding:

- Amendment to Education Law Regarding Reserve Funds
- Religious Waiver from Vaccination
- Update regarding Transgender Guidance

CORRESPONDENCE

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

Superintendent Evelyn spoke about Valley Stream Thirteen’s initiative in social emotional learning and the effectiveness of the RULER Program.

Assistant Superintendent for Special Services Sells-Asch presented a powerpoint update on the RULER Program.

Superintendent Evelyn and Assistant Superintendent for Business and HR Antoine presented a powerpoint focusing on the District’s vision and goals, the Board of Education goals, and the 2017-2018 proposed budget.

Committee Reports

EDUCATION [F. Chiachiere, S. Douglas]

Credit for Advanced Study

To approve the credit for advanced study for Aleksandra Rance from 1.5MA+15 to 1.5MA+30 effective February 1, 2017, in accordance with the Board/VSTA contract.

A. RANCE CREDIT FOR
ADV. STUDY APPROVED

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

In-Service Courses

To approve in-service courses paid from Title I for 15 hours at \$69.32 per hour for the following Instructional Coaches:

- Andrea DiMango – Bar Modeling for Math in Focus
- Melissa O’Geary – Google Classroom

A. DIMANGO, M. O’GEARY
IN-SERVICE COURSES
APPROVED

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

Memorandum of Agreement – Teacher Aides and Media Aides

To approve the Memorandum of Agreement between VSTA/Teacher & Media Aides and the Board of Education effective July 1, 2015 and authorize the Board President to sign said contract.

TEACHER/MEDIA AIDES
MEMO. OF AGREEMENT
APPROVED

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

VSTA Settlement Agreement

RESOLVED, the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen hereby ratifies the settlement agreement dated February 6, 2017, in resolution of Improper Practice Charge Case No. U-35363 filed by the Valley Stream Teachers’ Association.

VSTA SETTLEMENT
AGREEMENT RESOLVED

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

Resignation of a Noon Hour Supervisor

To accept the resignation of Scott McLaughlin, Noon Hour Supervisor at Howell Road School effective February 14, 2017.

S. MCLAUGHLIN
RESIGNATION ACCEPTED

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

Employment of Substitute Classroom/Noon Hour Aide

To employ Samantha LoGreira as a substitute classroom/noon hour aide effective March 1, 2017.

S. LOGREIRA EMPLOYED
SUB. CLASSROOM/NOON HR.
AIDE

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

Chaperone List

To approve the chaperone list for the 2016-2017 school year.

2016-2017 CHAPERONE LIST
APPROVED

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

BUSINESS COMMITTEE [P. Farrell, V. Pandit]

Treasurer’s Report

To accept the Treasurers’ Reports for the month ending January 31, 2017.

TREASURER’S REPORT
ENDING 1/31/17 ACCEPTED

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

Budget Transfer

To approve the following transfers effective March 1, 2017:

BUDGET TRANSFER EFF.
3/1/17 APPROVED

From:

A1310.502-01	Business Admin-Copier Supplies	\$450
A1430.401-01	Personnel-403(b) Admin	400
A1621.440-06	Building Renovations	2,500
A2010.420-01	Superintendent’s Conference Day	1,000
A2250.490-01	Special Ed-BOCES Tuition	80,000

To:

A1430.400-01	Personnel-Contractual	\$ 400
A1621.440-07	Architect/Engineer Consultant	2,500
A2010.490-01	Curriculum Dev-BOCES	1,000
A2110.502-01	Art Supplies-District	450
A2250.470-01	Special Ed-Tuition	80,000

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

Health & Welfare Contract

To approve Health and Welfare expenses for those Valley Stream UFSD #13 students attending schools in the *Uniondale UFSD* at a rate of \$686.15 per student for the 2016– 2017 school year.

HEALTH & WELFARE
CONTRACT W/UNIONDALE
APPROVED

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

Transportation Contract

To approve the following new transportation contract approved as bid on August 12, 2016 by the Southwest Quadrant:

FIRST STUDENT TRANS.
CONTRACT APPROVED

First Student	1 pupil	\$1,999 per pupil per month
		\$1,800 per matron per month

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

Capital Project Bid Recommendation

To award the following capital projects to the lowest responsible bidder from the sealed bids opened on February 14, 2017:

EMPIRE ENERGY SPECIALIST
CAP. PROF. BID AWARD
APPROVED

Door Replacements at Wheeler Avenue & Willow Road Schools

SED # 280213-02-0-003-022 Wheeler
SED # 280213-02-0-004-016 Willow

Contractor: Empire Energy Specialist, Inc. of Yonkers, New York
Amount: \$177,275

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

POLICY COMMITTEE [T. Pomerantz, M. Vicente]

Policies for 1st Reading

- 2250 Board Committees
- 2360 Minutes

POLICIES FOR FIRST
READING

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE [Vice President V. Pandit]

Committee on Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Special Education Reviews dated 12/8/16, 1/5, 1/10, 1/13, 1/17, 1/19, 1/20, 1/24, 1/25Wi, 1/25, 1/31, 2/7 and 2/8/17.

CSE REVIEWS ADOPTED

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

Committee on Pre-school Special Education Review

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Pre-school Special Education Review dated 1/18 and 1/25/17.

CPSE REVIEWS ADOPTED

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

Acceptance of a Donation

To accept a donation from Fidelis Care New York of an HP LaserJet 9050dn Monochrome Laser Printer – Duplex with an approximate value of \$599.99 to be placed in Howell Road School.

ACCEPTANCE OF DONATION
FIDELIS CARE APPROVED

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

Crossroads Farms at Grossmann's Agreement

To approve the Agreement between Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen Board of Education and Nassau Land Trust, Inc. to provide educational resources, training, materials and instruction at Crossroads Farm at Grossmann's in Malverne, NY effective January 1, 2017 through June 30, 2017.

CROSSROADS FARM AT
GROSSMANN'S AGREEMENT
APPROVED

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

On the question: Trustee Chiachiere spoke about the success of the farm and the addition of a honey farm.

School Calendar for 2017-2018

To approve the 2017-2018 school calendar.

THIS ITEM WAS TABLED

A motion to table this item was made by Trustee Pandit, seconded by Trustee Farrell and carried unanimously.

Report of the Attorney

John Sheahan gave a report about the recent decision the Commissioner of Education made dismissing an appeal regarding the preferred eligibility rights of excessed teachers.

High School Report

Trustee Chiachiere reported that the High School met on February 14, 2017 and recognized music students in the district and passed the inclusion of two Muslim holidays during the 2017-2018 school year.

Old Business

There are three seats that will expire on June 30, 2017 on the Nassau BOCES Board. Nominations must be postmarked, emailed, faxed or delivered to Nassau BOCES no later than Monday, March 20th.

President Stris and Trustee Pomerantz attended a law conference on Youth and Citizenship on January 25, 2017.

New Business

The seats of Frank Chiachiere, Patricia Farrell and Sean Douglas will expire on June 30, 2017 on the Valley Stream Thirteen Board of Education. Petitions are available on our website and in the Office of the District Clerk. The deadline for filing a petition is Monday, April 17th at 5:00 p.m.

Adjournment

On a motion made by Trustee Pomerantz, seconded by Trustee Pandit and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

MaryAnn Rosamilia

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District Clerk