

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 27, 2018.

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

Approximately 20 Visitors

Convening

The meeting was convened at 7:20 p.m. by President Stris.

CONVENING

Quorum

Four members being present, a quorum was determined.

QUORUM

Executive Session

The Board immediately moved into Executive Session on a motion made by Trustee Pomerantz, seconded by Trustee Douglas and carried unanimously to discuss legal matters and principal negotiations. The Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent for Business and HR & School District Attorneys were invited to attend.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Reconvening

The meeting was reconvened at 8:00 p.m. by President Stris.

RECONVENING

Quorum

Four members being present, a quorum was determined.

QUORUM

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome

Approval of the Minutes

To approve the minutes of the December 19, 2017 and January 16, 2018 Board of Education meetings.

MINUTES OF 12/19/17 &
1/16/18 BOE MEETINGS
APPROVED

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

Correspondence

Correspondence was received from Guercio & Guercio regarding Armed Personnel for School Security.

An invitation to the James A. Dever PTA Founder's Day celebration was received.

A card was received from the Bozuhoski family to thank us for our expression of sympathy.

CORRESPONDENCE
GUERCIO & GUERCIO
JAMES A. DEVER PTA
BOZUHOSKI FAMILY

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

Superintendent Evelyn presented a power point on an Update of District Security. She spoke about the work we are engaged in, the work that is well under way and the work that will be completed in the near future. Supt. Evelyn explained that the District recognized the need for security enhancements and has prioritized them as part of the District Strategic Plan. Superintendent Evelyn spoke about the District's current safety measures, which include the District Safety Plan, Building Safety Plans, single point of entry, use of greeters, One Call System, regular training and information sharing with staff (e.g. SAVE Committee), target training for District/Building Safety Teams, and regular practice of safety and emergency drills. She spoke about the Strategic Safety Initiatives that are currently underway, such as new PA systems in all buildings scheduled to be completed by March 2018, improved cell service for 2018-2019 school year and the Smart Schools Bond Act Project – Phase 1, which will include interior and exterior cameras districtwide, key card access at high traffic entry points, a visitor management system, panic buttons at each school, a district app for security monitoring and RAVE integration which allow for immediate dispatch of officers and constant contact between 911 dispatch and those on the scene.

Several community members expressed their concerns and questions regarding School Safety to the Board and Superintendent.

Inclusive Education Report [Ms. J. LaRocca/Ms. L. Sells-Asch]

Assistant Superintendent Sells-Asch presented a power point update and three-year review of Inclusive Education which encompassed Inclusive Mindset, the goals of the Inclusive Education Committee, Inclusive Education Guide and the District's commitment to Professional Development.

BOND Update [Dr. C. Evelyn/Park East Construction/BBS]

Park East Construction representative Gary Gonzalez presented a power point update on the District-wide Door Replacement/Glazing/Water Fountain/PA Replacement projects that are in progress at all four district schools. BBS Architect Dave Bozuhoski presented a power point update on Phase 2 of the Bond Referendum which included a project list, timeframe and status of work that has been completed, work that is ongoing and work that is scheduled for the summer/winter of 2018.

Board/Administration BUDGET WORKSHOP [Dr. C. Evelyn/Mr. G. Antoine]

Superintendent Evelyn and Assistant Superintendent Antoine presented a power point on the 2018-19 proposed budget. Superintendent Evelyn mentioned that everything we do stems from the Vision that we have aspired to this district in cooperation with the Board of Education and the District’s Goals, which are driven by 3 lenses, High Quality Curriculum and Instruction, Leadership and Innovation and Systems Thinking and the Board of Education Goals. Assistant Superintendent Antoine spoke about the 2018-2019 proposed budget, Tax Levy Limit, the District’s Reserve Funds, assigned and unassigned fund balances, the portion of Tax Levy paid by homeowners, staffing and ongoing Capital Projects, revenues, budget goals and the District’s Mission Statement.

Committee Reports

EDUCATION COMMITTEE [M. Vicente, Chairperson; S. Douglas, P. Farrell]

Trustee Vicente reported that the Education Committee met on February 12, 2018. NWEA and New York State Assessments were discussed. The next meeting is scheduled for March 20, 2018 at 6:15 p.m. All are welcome.

Employment of Noon Hour Aides

To employ Sharon Miller as a Noon Hour Aide at a rate of \$12.25 per hour, assigned to the James A. Dever School effective February 28, 2018 pending Civil Service approval and unless sooner terminated.

S. MILLER EMPLOYED
AS NOON-HOUR AIDE
JAMES A. DEVER

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

To employ Terese Ringle as a Noon Hour Aide at a rate of \$12.25 per hour, assigned to the James A. Dever School effective February 28, 2018 pending Civil Service approval and unless sooner terminated.

T. RINGLE EMPLOYED
AS NOON-HOUR AIDE
JAMES A. DEVER

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

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were approved on a motion for a Consent Agenda by Trustee Vicente, seconded by Trustee Pomerantz and carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

Employment of Classroom Aides

To employ Zainib Werdek as a Classroom Aide on Step 1 (\$16,887) assigned to the James A. Dever School effective February 28, 2018 pending Civil Service approval and unless sooner terminated.

Z. WERDEK EMPLOYED
CLASSROOM AIDE
JAMES A. DEVER

To employ Jasmine Robinson as a Classroom Aide on Step 1 (\$16,887) assigned to the James A. Dever School effective February 28, 2018 and unless sooner terminated.

J. ROBINSON EMPLOYED
CLASSROOM AIDE
JAMES A. DEVER

Employment of Media Aide

To employ Julissa Baker as a Media Aide on Step 1 (\$16,887) assigned to the Willow Road School effective February 28, 2018 pending fingerprint and Civil Service Clearance.

J. BAKER EMPLOYED
AS MEDIA AIDE
WILLOW ROAD SCHOOL

Employment of Long Term Substitute Teacher

To employ Keri Imbriale as a long term substitute teacher effective February 28, 2018 assigned to the James A. Dever School, for a period not to exceed 60 days unless otherwise extended by the Board of Education at a rate of \$140 per day.

K. IMBRIALE EMPLOYED
AS LONG TERM SUBSTITUTE
TEACHER – JAMES A. DEVER

Employment of a Replacement Classroom Teacher

To employ Jillian Sarro as a Replacement Classroom Teacher assigned to James A. Dever School on Step 1BA+15 (\$61,238) effective March 2, 2018 through June 30, 2018, unless sooner terminated in accordance with the VSTA/Board Contract in effect on the date of employment.

J. SARRO EMPLOYED AS
REPLACEMENT CLASSROOM
TEACHER-JAMES A. DEVER

Child Care Leave of Absence – 1st Year

To approve a first-year Child Care Leave of Absence for Megan Ross, Classroom Teacher assigned to the James A. Dever School, effective March 2, 2018 through June 30, 2018.

M. ROSS FIRST YEAR CHILD
CARE LEAVE OF ABSENCE
APPROVED

Employment of Substitute Classroom/Noon Hour Aides

To employ Jawanza Wilson, Margaret Haugh and Jeanine Pulsifer as substitute Classroom/Noon Hour Aides effective February 28, 2018 pending fingerprint and civil service clearance.

J. WILSON, M. HAUGH,
J. PULSIFER EMPLOYED AS
SUBSTITUTE CLASSROOM/
NOON HOUR AIDES

Resignation of Classroom Aide

To accept the resignation of Diane Buitrago, Classroom Aide at the Wheeler Avenue School, effective March 15, 2018.

D. BUITRAGO RESIGNATION
ACCEPTED

Resignation of Permanent Substitute Teacher

To accept the resignation of Darcel Toliver, Permanent Substitute Teacher at the Wheeler Avenue School, effective February 16, 2018.

D. TOLIVER RESIGNATION
ACCEPTED

The Board of Education hereby amends the resolution previously adopted on January 23, 2018 as follows:

Credit for Advanced Study

To approve the credit for advanced study for the following teachers effective February 1, 2018, in accordance with the Board/VSTA contract:

CREDIT FOR ADVANCED
STUDY AMENDED AND
APPROVED

Alyssa Bentz	James A. Dever	1.5MA +15 to 1.5MA +30
Donna Geidel	Willow Road	3.5MA to 3.5MA +15
Johanna Land	James A. Dever	8.5MA +30 to 8.5MA +45
Katherine Pulvidente	James A. Dever	1.5BA +15 to 1.5BA +30

And it is further Resolved, that the remainder of the resolution adopted on January 23, 2018 is hereby rescinded effective immediately.

New Teacher Assignment – Math AIS/Technology Coach

To create a new teacher assignment, Math AIS/Technology Coach, effective September 1, 2018.

MATH AIS/TECHNOLOGY
COACH NEW TEACHER
ASSIGNMENT APPROVED

Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement

To accept the resignation for the purpose of retirement from Lawrence Michel, Cleaner at the Wheeler Avenue School effective June 30, 2018, letter dated February 12, 2018.

L. MICHEL RESIGNATION
ACCEPTED

Substitute Teacher List

To approve the Substitute Teacher list for the 2017-2018 school year.

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER LIST
2017-2018 SY APPROVED

END CONSENT AGENDA – EDUCATION COMMITTEE

BUSINESS COMMITTEE

[F. Chiachiere, Chairperson; V. Pandit, P. Farrell]

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were approved on a motion for a Consent Agenda by Trustee Vicente, seconded by Trustee Pomerantz and carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

Treasurer’s Report

To approve the Treasurer’s Report for January 2018.

TREASURER’S REPORT
ENDING 1/31/18 APPROVED

Change Order #2 – Ambrosio & Company, Inc.

Resolved, that the Valley Stream UFSD #13 Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the architect, hereby approves change order #2 in the amount of \$6,332.00 (increase in the original contract amount) in connection with the contract with Ambrosio & Company, Inc. for the Howell Road School Bond Funded Project.

CHANGE ORDER #2-
AMBROSIO & COMPANY
APPROVED

Howell Road School SED #280213-02-0-002-021 \$6,332.00

The change order is for the purchase and installation of:

1. Copper pipe and fittings to relocate hot water return line.
2. Taco 7-day programmable time clock and aquastat.
3. Taco is 009-SF% stainless steel circulator.
4. Copper pipe and fittings to hook up new 140-degree water to the existing 3 bay sink.

Resolution for Temporary Advancement of Funds

WHEREAS, the District has the need to temporarily use general funds for the purposes for which an issue of bonds has been authorized, and
WHEREAS, the District has sufficient general funds which are not immediately required for the purpose or purposes for which they were borrowed, raised, or otherwise created, now therefore, it is
RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the temporary advance of idle funds to pay the costs of the project in an amount not to exceed \$4,300,000 and it is further
RESOLVED, that the Board of Education directs that suitable records shall be kept of the temporary diversion of such funds and that such funds shall again be made available to the District from the proceeds of the issuance of the bonds.

TEMPORARY ADVANCE
OF FUNDS APPROVED

END CONSENT AGENDA – BUSINESS COMMITTEE

Employment Agreement

To approve the Employment Agreement between the Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen and Gerard Antoine, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Human Resources, effective January 16, 2018 and authorizes the Board President to execute same.

G. ANTOINE EMPLOYMENT
AGREEMENT APPROVED

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

Budget Transfers

To approve the following transfers effective February 28, 2018:

BUDGET TRANSFERS EFF.
2/28/18 APPROVED

From:

A2630.220-01	State Aided Computer Hardware	\$ 9,000
A2630.450-01	Micro Computer Repair	1,500
A2630.460-01	State Aided Computer Software	25,930
A5540.401-01	Cont Buses-In-District, Public	22,000
A5540.402-01	Cont Buses-Non-Public	81,000
A7140.160-01	Summer Rec-Non-Certified Salaries	20,000
A9731.600-01	BANS-Principal	96,050
A9731.700-01	BANS-Interest	100,000

To:

A1620.500-01	Custodial & Cleaning Supplies	\$ 20,000
A1621.436-01-0100	Heat/Vent-District	15,000
A1621.440-06	Building Renovations	50,000
A2630.490-01	Comp Assisted Instruct-BOCES	36,430
A2815.401-01	Health Services-Contractual	10,000
A5510.450-01	Transportation-Software	1,050
A5540.403-01	Cont Buses-Other Non-Public	107,000
A5540.404-01	Cont Buses-Special Education	116,000

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

POLICY COMMITTEE [V. Pandit, Chairperson; M. Vicente, F. Chiachiere]

Policies for 1st Reading

- 0330 Evaluation of Professional Staff
- 0330-R Evaluation of Professional Staff Regulation
- 0340 Evaluation of Support Staff
- 5420 Student Health Services
- 6240-R Investments Regulation

Policies for 2nd Reading and Adoption

- 0115-R Student Harassment and Bullying Prevention and Intervention Regulation
- 5110 Elementary School Attendance Areas
- 5152 Admission of Non-Resident Students
- 6700-R Purchasing Regulation

POLICIES FOR SECOND
READING ADOPTED

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

FACILITIES COMMITTEE [T. Pomerantz, Chairperson; P. Farrell]

Trustee Pomerantz reported that the Facilities Committee met on February 16, 2018. In attendance were Assistant Superintendent for Business and HR Antoine, Clerk of the Works Lukaszewicz and Trustee Pomerantz. In light of the school shooting that took place in Florida only 2 days earlier, the focus of the meeting was on security. The committee toured each school building on Wednesday, February 21, 2018 and made note of any existing concerns. The next Facilities Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 16, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. in the business office. All are invited.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE [Vice President V. Pandit]

Acceptance of Donation

To accept a donation of office furniture to the VSUFSD Thirteen from Institutes for Student Achievement/ Educational Testing Service (ETS) with an approximate value of \$10,000.

INSTITUTE FOR STUDENT
ACHIEVEMENT/ETS
DONATION ACCEPTED

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

CONSENT AGENDA

The following items were approved on a motion for a Consent Agenda by Trustee Vicente, seconded by Trustee Pomerantz and carried unanimously.

CONSENT AGENDA

Emergency Resolution

WHEREAS, on or about December 8, 2017, the District received a report of a boiler catching fire at the Willow Road School, and
WHEREAS, immediate repair of the boiler and remediation of the building and were essential to preserve the District’s property and to ensure the continued education of students and the health and safety of students and staff; and
WHEREAS, the repairs and remediation were essential to preserve the District’s property and to ensure the continued education of students and the health and safety of students and staff; and
NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the District Architect, the Board of Education hereby

WILLOW ROAD SCHOOL
FIRE EMERGENCY
RESOLUTION APPROVED

declares that the repairs and remediation were essential to preserve the District's property and to ensure the continued education of students and the health and safety of students and staff, was an emergency where time was a crucial factor, affecting a public building, public property and the health and safety of students and staff, and which required immediate repair and/or replacement; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the District Architect, the Board of Education hereby declares that the costs associated with the repairs and remediation are an ordinary contingent expense of the District such that they do not require voter approval; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the District Architect, the Board of Education hereby ratifies the filing of a claim with the District's insurance carrier regarding the repairs and remediation and authorizes payment of the deductible applicable to such claim, if any.

Committee on Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Special Education Reviews dated 1/18, 1/19, 1/23Ineligible, 1/23Wi, 1/29, 2/1, 2/1Wh & 2/12/18.

CSE REVIEWS ADOPTED

Consultant Services

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the attached agreement with Propio Language Services to provide translation services for families and staff members, and hereby authorizes the Board President to execute same.

PROPIO LANGUAGE
CONSULTANT SVCS.
APPROVED

Consultant Services

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the attached agreement with "Consulting that Makes a Difference" to provide Professional Development Services, and hereby authorizes the Board President to execute same.

CONSULTING THAT MAKES
A DIFFERENCE PROF.
DEVELOPMENT SVCS.
APPROVED

BOCES Re-election Nominees

RESOLVED, THE Board of Education hereby nominates Susan Bertraum to serve as a trustee of Nassau BOCES for a three (3) year term.

S. BERTAUM NOMINATION
APPROVED

BOCES Re-election Nominees

RESOLVED, THE Board of Education hereby nominates Martin Kaye to serve as a trustee of Nassau BOCES for a three (3) year term.

M. KAY NOMINATION
APPROVED

BOCES Re-election Nominees

RESOLVED, THE Board of Education hereby nominates Michael Weinick to serve as a trustee of Nassau BOCES for a three (3) year term.

M. WEINICK NOMINATION
APPROVED

END CONSENT AGENDA – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Report of the Attorney

School District Attorney Sheahan reported on a decision of the Commissioner of Education which challenged a school districts budgeting practices.

High School Report

Trustee Pomerantz reported that the High School Board met on Tuesday, February 12, 2018. Our talented student musicians from South, Central and North High Schools were recognized. Memorial Junior High School students participated in a P.S. I Love You Day as a way to remind every individual that they are loved and needed in the world. This day is celebrated nationwide and was presented through the efforts of the BRAVE club. The next High School Committee meeting is March 6, 2018 at 8:00 p.m. The Business meeting is Tuesday, March 13, 2018 in the cafeteria of Memorial Junior High School.

Old Business

There is no old business to report.

New Business

Trustee Stris congratulated Trustee Vicente for receiving PTA life membership at the Howell Road School.

Executive Session

At 9:40 p.m. a motion for Executive Session was made by Trustee Douglas, seconded by Trustee Pomerantz and carried unanimously to discuss Principal negotiations and the personnel of a particular person. The Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent for Business and HR and Attorneys were invited to attend.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Reconvening

The meeting was reconvened at 10:30 p.m.

RECONVENING

Quorum

Four members being present, a quorum was determined.

QUORUM

Adjournment

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

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

MaryAnn Rosamilia

MaryAnn Rosamilia
District Clerk