

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, April 24, 2018.

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

Approximately 20 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 Pandit and carried unanimously to discuss the employment history of a particular person, legal matters and negotiations. The Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents & School District Attorneys were invited to attend.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Reconvening

The meeting was reconvened at 8:00 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 February 27, 2018 and Board of Education meetings.

MINUTES OF 2/27/18
BOE MEETING
APPROVED

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

Correspondence

Correspondence was received from Guercio & Guercio regarding Small Tax Petitions and Newsday Freedom of Information Law Request. An invitation to the twenty-first annual “Seniors Meet Juniors” Concert and Brunch was received from the James A. Dever PTA. An invitation to celebrate Arbor Day at the Howell Road School Reading Garden was received.

CORRESPONDENCE
GUERCIO & GUERCIO
JAMES A. DEVER PTA
HOWELL ROAD SCHOOL

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

Superintendent Evelyn introduced Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction LaRocca who announced the following presentations made by Principal Gruen and Principal Ambrosio. Assistant Superintendent LaRocca explained how each school’s achievement plan was developed with the use of data analysis and by examining the needs of the buildings to create an authentic and individual building goal for each school.

The following describes a summary of this plan:

James A. Dever School Principal’s Report

Principal Gruen presented James A. Dever’s mid-year review by presenting a power point outlining NWEA results for Mathematics and English Language Arts. Principal Gruen also spoke about James A. Dever’s building goal to build perseverance through Math Talks by developing Math Talk communities. Educators nationwide are finding that they can help children become confident problem solvers by focusing on getting them to talk and communicate in partnerships, small groups, whole groups and in writing. The Next Generation Standards states that a hallmark of mathematical understanding is the ability to justify and reason, and this can be facilitated through Math Talks.

Willow Road School Principal's Report

Principal Ambrosio presented Willow Road's mid-year review by presenting a power point outlining NWEA results for Mathematics and English Language Arts. Principal Ambrosio also spoke about Willow Road's building goal to develop an authentic collaborative community in which it addresses shared goals and visions; recognizes and advances skills/knowledge related to student learning through peer led activities and engages in mutually beneficial sense of community inclusive of past and present traditions.

Committee Reports

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

Substitute Teacher List

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

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER LIST
2017-2018 SY

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

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

Approval of Teachers as Instructors for Non-Tenured Professional Development
RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the following teachers as instructors for the 2018 Non-Tenured Professional Development, to be paid from the Title IIA Professional Salaries code at a rate of \$69.32 per hour.

- Laurie Salvatore not to exceed 6 hours
- Caroleanne Weik not to exceed 3 hours
- Cynthia Shannon not to exceed 3 hours

L. SALVATORE, C. WEIK,
C. SHANNON TEACHERS
AS INSTRUCTORS FOR NON-
TENURED PD APPROVED

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

Approval of Teacher to Instruct In-Service Course

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the following teacher to instruct an in-service course for the amount listed below:

- 15 hours to be paid from the Title IIA Professional Salaries code at a rate of \$69.32 per hour:
- John Frias - Blended Learning and the Flipped Classroom

J. FRIAS TEACHER TO
INSTRUCT IN-SERVICE
COURSE APPROVED

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

CONSENT AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Establish Summer Custodian Rate of Pay

To increase the 2018 Summer Custodian Rate of Pay from \$10.00 per hour to \$11.00 per hour in accordance with the New York State Minimum Wage Requirement.

SUMMER CUSTODIAN RATE
OF PAY APPROVED

Treasurer's Report

To approve the Treasurer's Report for March 2018.

TREASURER'S REPORT
ENDING 3/31/18 APPROVED

Budget Transfer

To approve the following transfers effective April 25, 2018:

BUDGET TRANSFERS EFF.
4/25/18 APPROVED

From:

A1310.402-01	TAN Expenses	\$ 5,000
A9030.800-01	Social Security	75,097
A9060.800-01	Hosp & Med Insurance-Active Employees	75,097
A9731.600-01	BAN's-Principal	44,806

To:

A1310.400-01	Business Admin-Contractual	\$ 5,000
A1620.500-01	Custodial & Cleaning Supplies	10,000
A1621.436-01-0100	Heat/Vent-District	20,000
A1621.440-06	Building Renovations	20,000
A1621.440-07	Architect/Engineer Consultant	15,000
A2110.473-01	Payments to Charter Schools	50,000
A2630.490-01	Comp Assist Instruct-BOCES	80,000

Change Order # 1 – Relle Electric

Resolved, that the Valley Stream UFSD #13 Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the architect, hereby approves change order # 1 in the amount of \$ 2,423.15 (increase in the original contract amount) in connection with the contract with Ambrosio & Company, Inc. for the James A. Dever and Howell Road Schools Bond Funded Project.

RELLE ELECTRIC - CHANGE ORDER #1 APPROVED

James A. Dever School	SED # 280213-02-0-001-003	\$ 624.54
Howell Road School	SED # 280213-02-0-002-021	<u>\$ 1,798.61</u>
	Total	\$ 2,423.15

The change order is to install a junction box at an outlet powering the chairlift on the stage at the James A. Dever school as well as install a wire mold box under the stage and install a 20-amp receptacle and stainless steel plate. For the Howell Road School, the change order is to provide labor, materials and equipment to wire a new hot water heater, pump and controller.

Change Order #2 – Relle Electric

Resolved, that the Valley Stream UFSD #13 Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the architect, hereby approves change order # 1 in the amount of \$ 10,638.39 (increase in the original contract amount) in connection with the contract with Ambrosio & Company, Inc. for the James A. Dever School Bond Funded Project.

RELLE ELECTRIC - CHANGE ORDER #2 APPROVED

James A. Dever School	SED # 280213-02-0-001-003	\$ 10,638.39
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The change order is to furnish and install a new 100 amp Federal Pacific breaker in distribution panel. Pipe from main distribution panel to new 100-amp sub-panel. Install surge protectors with phase indicators in sub-panel to power the network operations center to prevent further damage to existing data services.

Change Order #1 – Ravco Construction

Resolved, that the Valley Stream UFSD #13 Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the architect, hereby approves change order # 1 in the amount of \$ 17,373.66 (increase in the original contract amount) in connection with the contract with Ravco Construction for the James A. Dever, Howell Road and Willow Road Schools Bond Funded Project.

RAVCO CONSTRUCTION - CHANGE ORDER #1 APPROVED

James A. Dever School	SED # 280213-02-0-001-003	\$ 5,791.22
Howell Road School	SED # 280213-02-0-002-021	\$ 5,791.22
Willow Road School	SED # 280213-02-0-004-018	<u>\$ 5,791.22</u>
	Total	\$17,373.66

The change order is to furnish and install fifty-one (51) additional pieces of tempered glazing to replace damaged windows previously not included in the project scope.

Bond Funded Capital Project Bid Recommendation

To award the following capital projects to the lowest responsible bidder from the sealed bids opened on February 13, 2018

BOND FUNDED CAPITAL PROJ. BID RECOMMENDATION APPROVED

Site & Playground Work at District Schools

SED #280213-02-0-001-033 James A. Dever School
SED #280213-02-0-003-024 Wheeler Avenue School

Contractor: Total Construction of Brooklyn, NY
Amount: \$ 106,380

END CONSENT AGENDA – BUSINESS COMMITTEE

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

The policy committee met on April 9, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. in the Board Room. Policy 4410 – Classroom Organization and Grouping for Instruction is under review.

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

Trustee Pomerantz reported that the Facilities Committee met on April 20, 2018 @ 10:00 a.m. in the Business Office. Present were Trustee Pomerantz, Assistant Superintendent for Business and HR Antoine and Clerk of the Works Lukaszewicz. Sample security shades were received and implementation of installation for all classroom doors was discussed. The next Facilities Committee meeting is scheduled for Friday, May 18, 2018 @ 10:00 a.m. in the Business Office.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE [Vice President V. Pandit]

Friends of the Arts Donation

To accept a check in the amount of \$1,325.54 from the Friends of the Arts at Wheeler Avenue School to be used toward the upcoming June 1, 2018 trip to Music in the Parks.

FRIENDS OF THE ARTS
DONATION ACCEPTED

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

CONSENT AGENDA

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Rescind Resolution

To rescind the March 27, 2018 resolution approving the meeting dates for the 2018-2019 school year.

3/27/18 RESOLUTION FOR
MEETING DATES RESCINDED

Revised Board of Education Meeting Dates

To approve the revised meeting dates for the 2018-2019 school year as listed below:

REVISED BOE MEETING DATES
APPROVED

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- September 18 3rd Tuesday
- October 16 3rd Tuesday
- November 20 3rd Tuesday
- December 10* 2nd Monday *High School District has meetings on 1st & 2nd Tuesday
- January 15, 2019 3rd Tuesday
- February 13* 2nd Wednesday *High School District has meetings on 1st & 2nd Tuesday
- March 19 3rd Tuesday
- April 16* 3rd Tuesday BOCES Vote is held this month and this date may change
- May 21 3rd Tuesday Annual Election
- June 12* 2nd Wednesday

BOARD MEETINGS

- July 5, 2018* 1st Thursday 2018-19 Reorganization Meeting (approved with 2017-2018 dates)
- August 21, 2018 3rd Tuesday (approved with 2017-2018 dates)
- September 25 4th Tuesday
- October 23 4th Tuesday
- November 27 4th Tuesday
- December 18 3rd Tuesday
- January 22, 2019 4th Tuesday
- February 26 4th Tuesday
- March 26 4th Tuesday
- April 30* 5th Tuesday (School Closed Spring Break 4th Tuesday)
- May 28 4th Tuesday
- June 18 3rd Tuesday
- July 8, 2019* 1st Monday **2019-2020** Reorganization Meeting
- August 20, 2019 3rd Tuesday

**Other than the 3rd or 4th Tuesday for Committee & BOE Meetings.*

Other Important Dates for the 2018-2019 school year:

- Building Inspections Saturday, December 1, 2018 8:00 a.m.
- Deadline for Filing Petitions for Trustee Monday, April 22, 2019 5:00 p.m.
- Budget Meeting* Tuesday, March 26, 2019 6:00 p.m.
- Budget Hearing (w/VSCHSD @ 8 p.m.) Wednesday, May 8, 2019 7:30 p.m.
- Registration (Last day before election) Tuesday, May 14, 2019 5:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.
- Meet the Candidates (if needed) Wednesday, May 15, 2019 7:00 p.m.
- Registration Books open for inspection Saturday, May 18, 2019 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon
- Annual Budget Vote & Trustee Election Tuesday, May 21, 2019 6:00 a.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Rescind Resolution

To rescind the March 27, 2018 resolution approving the school calendar for the 2018-2019 school year.

3/27/18 RESOLUTION FOR
2018-2019 SCHOOL CALENDAR
RESCINDED

Revised School Calendar for 2018-2019

To approve the revised 2018-2019 school calendar.

REVISED 2018-2019 SCHOOL
CALENDAR APPROVED

Committee on Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Special Education Reviews dated 2/27, 3/5, 3/6, 3/12, 3/16, 3/20, 3/27, 4/9, 4/10/2018.

CSE REVIEWS ADOPTED

Committee on Pre-school Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Pre-school Education Reviews dated 3/9/2018.

CPSE REVIEWS ADOPTED

Agreement with the Valley Stream Little League

RESOLVED, the Board of Education of Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen approves the agreement with the Valley Stream Community Youth Activities, Inc., d/b/a the Valley Stream Little League; and authorizes the Board President to execute same.

VALLEY STREAM LITTLE LEAGUE AGREEMENT APPROVED

Approval of Special Education Tuition Agreement with Seaford UFSD

To approve the agreement with the Seaford UFSD for the provision of special education services to one (1) student who attends a private school within such district, and to authorize the Board President to execute same.

SPEC. ED. TUITION AGREEMENT W/SEAFORD UFSD APPROVED

Acceptance of Donation

To accept one check in the amount of \$400 from New York Life Company’s “Your Cause” Charitable Trust. The check will be used for general school supplies at the James A. Dever School.

NY LIFE “YOUR CAUSE” DONATION ACCEPTED

Acceptance of Donation

To accept a donation valued at \$439.36 from DonorsChoose.org for a Wacon-Bamboo Ink Smart Stylus and an iPad Package: 32GB iPad+Case for the Howell Road School.

DONORSCHOOSE.ORG DONATION ACCEPTED

Acceptance of Donation

To accept a donation in the amount of \$450 from Centerplate for the purchase of materials needed to establish a vegetable garden at the Howell Road School.

CENTERPLATE DONATION ACCEPTED

END CONSENT AGENDA – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Important Information

The Monday, June 11, 2018 Board of Education Committee Meeting will be changed to Wednesday, June 13, 2018.

Report of the Attorney

School District Attorney Sheahan reported on a case involving a student’s exclusion from attendance in the district’s schools. The petitioner challenged the district’s determination to exclude her son from attendance without the payment of tuition. The petitioner’s son had been enrolled in accordance with the district’s policy permitting the admission of future residents under certain circumstances such as where the student would occupy an in-district home within 3 months or less. In the event the resident failed to occupy the in-district home within 3 months of admission, the parent would be responsible for monthly tuition payments. Approximately 5 months after the student’s admission, the district became aware the in-district home to which the petitioner intended to move was still for sale and petitioner had not moved in. The district notified the petitioner her son was no longer eligible to attend school in the district without payment of tuition as they failed to establish residence in the district. The board affirmed the district’s determination. The petitioner then appealed the board’s determination to the Commissioner of Education seeking a waiver of the tuition obligation imposed by district policy or, in the alternative, a reduction in the nonresident tuition rate by the amount of property taxes attributable to the in-district address. The Commissioner addressed the merits of the appeal and upheld the district’s decision to enforce its policy. As such, the Commissioner found the district acted appropriately in determining the parent was not entitled to a waiver of nonresident tuition and did not qualify for an exception to or reduction of payment of tuition.

High School Report

Trustee Douglas reported that High School met on April 20, 2018 at 8:00 p.m. in the Board Room. A team of students from Central High School’s Advanced Science Research Program won a \$2,000 Grand Prize in the 2018 Northwell Health Spark Challenge. Central student Rico Ford is among an elite group of talented artists who had their work selected for the 2018 Long Island’s Best Young Artist Exhibit at the Heckscher Museum. Memorial students coordinated numerous activities this April in honor of Autism Awareness Month, as part of the school’s emphasis on celebrating differences and promoting acceptance.

Old Business

There is no old business to report.

New Business

Trustee Pomerantz reported that Trustee Stris and herself attended the NCSS Love of NYS Health and Physical Education expo held at Adelphi University on Friday, April 13, 2018. Students from all four of our schools participated in the American Heart Association Jump Rope and Hoops for Hearts. Trustee Pomerantz and Trustee Stris also participated in a workshop entitled “Walk Across America” which demonstrated a collaborative research project that explained how to increase movement and learning.

Recognition of Visitors

Several visitors addressed the Board regarding the Willow Road time change.

Executive Session

At 9:15 p.m. a motion for Executive Session was made by Trustee Pomerantz, seconded by Trustee Douglas and carried unanimously to discuss Principal negotiations and school safety. The Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent for Business and HR and Attorneys were invited to attend.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Reconvening

The meeting was reconvened at 11:00 p.m.

RECONVENING

Quorum

Seven members being present, a quorum was determined.

QUORUM

Security Shutter Resolution

WHEREAS, Administration has determined a health and safety risk exists with respect to the implementation of the building safety plan without the installation of door security shutters (hereinafter “Project”); and
WHEREAS, the Board of Education determined the Project is subject to classification under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (“SEQRA”) and was properly classified as a Type II project; and
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby declares the Project to be an ordinary contingent expense, as it is necessary to assure the health and safety of students and staff; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the purchasing agent to award a contract for the Project in the maximum amount of \$20,000 and expend such amount therefore; and
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to appropriate and transfer such funds as is necessary to implement the Project, and directs the Superintendent of Schools and District Architect to take such action as is necessary to effectuate the Project in accordance with District policy and State law and regulations.

SECURITY SHUTTERS
APPROVED

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

Adjournment

On a motion made by Trustee Pomerantz, seconded by Trustee Farrell and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,

MaryAnn Rosamilia

MaryAnn Rosamilia
District Clerk