

**AGENDA FOR  
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**  
585 N. Corona Avenue  
Valley Stream, NY 11580-2099

Tuesday, February 25, 2020  
8:00 pm  
James A. Dever School

- I. Call to Order
- II. Determination of Quorum
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Approval of Minutes
- V. Correspondence
- VI. Report of the Superintendent
- VII. Committee Reports
  - A. Education
  - B. Business
  - C. Policy
  - D. Facilities
  - E. Committee of the Whole
- VIII. Report of the Attorney
- IX. High School Report
- X. Old Business
- XI. New Business
- XII. Visitors
- XIII. Adjourn

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Freedom of Information

Under Freedom of Information Law, residents may request to see specific information such as Board of Education Policies and Regulations, staff assignments, employee contracts and salaries, and budget information. Residents interested in such information must contact Assistant Superintendent for Business and Human Resources, Gerard Antoine, Records Access Officer.

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I. Call to Order

In compliance with New York State Law, you are advised to take note of the location of the nearest exit. In the event of a fire, or other emergency that requires evacuation from the building, use the nearest available exit.

Please obey all instructions in a prompt and orderly manner.

Also be advised that tape recorders may be in use, by members of the public and the press, during all or portions of this meeting.

- II. Determination of Quorum
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Approval of unofficial minutes: December 18, 2019 BOE Meeting  
January 21, 2020 Committee Meeting  
January 28, 2020 BOE Meeting
- V. Correspondence
- VI. Report of the Superintendent
- VII. Report of Standing Committees
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It is expected that visitors wishing to address the Board concerning items on the agenda will be heard when the pertinent item is being considered and before action is taken. Visitors wishing to address the Board concerning items, which do not appear on the agenda, will normally be invited to speak at the conclusion of regular business.

If you wish to address the Board, please fill out the following form and give it to the district clerk prior to the beginning of the meeting:

SUBJECT \_\_\_\_\_  
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GROUP \_\_\_\_\_

DISTRICT RESIDENT    Yes     No     DISTRICT PERSONNEL    Yes     No

PRINT/SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_  
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Note: Board Policy 1230 Public Participation at Board Meetings states in part that "Presentations should be as brief as possible. No speaker will be permitted to speak for more than a total of three minutes."

## VI. Report of the Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Constance D. Evelyn

1. Response to Intervention – Branching Minds [J. LaRocca]

## VII. Committee Reports

### A. EDUCATION COMMITTEE [M. Vicente, Chairperson; F. Chiachiere]

#### 1. Appointment of Noon Hour Aide

To appoint Alma Smalls as a Noon Hour Aide assigned to the Wheeler Avenue School at a rate of \$13 per hour effective February 26, 2020, pending Civil Service approval and unless sooner terminated.

#### 2. Appointment of Substitute Classroom/Noon Hour Aide

To appoint Robne Peterson as a Substitute Classroom/Noon Hour Aide at a rate of \$13 per hour effective February 26, 2020.

#### 3. Home Instruction

To approve Carolanne Wahl (Special Education teacher at Willow Road School) to provide home instruction, not to exceed 2 hours daily for missed days of school, for a Willow Road student effective February 3, 2020 – June 25, 2020 at the district's home instruction rate of pay of \$44.50 per hour.

#### 4. Home Instruction

To approve Victoria Mitchell (Classroom teacher at Willow Road School) to provide home instruction, not to exceed 2 hours daily for missed days of school, for a Willow Road student effective February 3, 2020 – June 25, 2020 at the district's home instruction rate of pay of \$44.50 per hour.

#### 5. Appointment of Part-Time Substitute Clerk-Typist

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby appoints Claudette Costa as a part-time substitute clerk-typist in the Business Office up to four (4) hours per day, not to exceed three (3) days per week, at a rate of \$50 an hour beginning February 26, 2020 to be continued at the discretion of the Superintendent.

#### 6. Appointment of Permanent Substitute Teacher

To appoint Melissa Conicelli as a Permanent Substitute Teacher assigned to the Wheeler Avenue School, effective February 26, 2020 through June 30, 2020 at a rate of \$125 per day unless sooner terminated.

#### 7. Appointment of Classroom Aides

To appoint Lashawna Hill as a Classroom Aide assigned to the Wheeler Avenue School on Step 1 (\$17,320) effective February 26, 2020 pending Civil Service approval and unless sooner terminated.

To appoint Julia Acosta-Peets as a Classroom Aide assigned to the Wheeler Avenue School on Step 1 (\$17,320) effective February 26, 2020 pending Civil Service approval and unless sooner terminated.

To appoint Teresa Soccorso as a Classroom Aide assigned to the Wheeler Avenue School on Step 1 (\$17,320) effective February 26, 2020 pending Civil Service approval and unless sooner terminated.

#### 8. Appointment of Summer School Principal

To appoint Ruth Peets-Butcher as the Summer School Principal effective July 1, 2020 through August 14, 2020 with a stipend of \$7,000.

### CONSENT AGENDA (Items #9-14)

#### 9. Substitute List

To approve the Substitute Teacher List for 2019-2020.

10. Resignation of Noon Hour Aide

To accept the resignation of Anees Ahsan, Noon Hour Aide at the Wheeler Avenue School effective January 22, 2020, letter dated January 22, 2020.

11. Resignation of Noon Hour Aide

To accept the resignation of Nermin Abdelsayed, Noon Hour Aide at the Willow Road School effective January 30, 2020, letter dated January 24, 2020.

12. Resignation of Classroom Aide

To accept the resignation of Gingee Bustamante, Classroom Aide at the Wheeler Avenue School effective February 5, 2020, letter dated February 6, 2020.

13. Resignation of Classroom Aide

To accept the resignation of Eva Castro, Classroom Aide at the Wheeler Avenue School effective February 21, 2020, letter dated February 10, 2020.

14. Resignation of Jr. Accountant

To accept the resignation of Kathryn Sterzel, Jr. Accountant in the Business Office effective February 28, 2020, letter dated February 7, 2020.

*\*In order to be granted tenure, the teacher must have received composite or overall APPR ratings pursuant to Education Law §3012-c and/or 3012-d of either “effective” or “highly effective” in at least three (“3”) of the four (“4”) preceding years, and, if the classroom teacher receives an “ineffective” composite or overall APPR rating in the final year of the probationary period, he or she shall not be eligible for tenure at that time.*

**B. BUSINESS COMMITTEE**

[P. Farrell, Chairperson]

**CONSENT AGENDA (Items #1-2)**

1. Treasurer’s Reports`

To approve the Treasurer’s Reports for January 2020.

2. Award for Sealed Bids

RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the District’s Architect, the Board of Education hereby awards the following bids to the apparent low bidders as follows:

Base Bid GC-1, Alternate GC-1.1, GC-1.2, GC-1.4, & GC-1.6 - General Construction Contract to Stalco Construction, Inc. - \$2,444,304

Base Bids PC-1 – Plumbing Construction Contracts – All Schools to WHM Plumbing - \$178,926

Base Bid EC-1 – Electrical Construction Contract – All Schools to Palace Electrical Contractors, Inc. - \$114,000 and it is further,

RESOLVED, the Board of Education directs that notification of the award of such contracts be sent to the low bidder, and it is further

RESOLVED, the Board President is hereby authorized to execute such contracts.

**C. POLICY COMMITTEE**

[W. Stris, Chairperson]

**D. FACILITIES COMMITTEE**

[T. Pomerantz, Chairperson; F. Chiachiere]

**E. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE** [Vice President M. Vicente]

**CONSENT AGENDA (Items #1-6)**

1. Responsive Classroom

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the attached consultant services agreement with Center for Responsive Schools, Inc., in the amount of \$38,000, and hereby authorizes the Board President to execute same.

2. Consultant Services

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the attached agreement with Christian Nursing Registry Inc. to provide Nursing services to students at a rate of \$50/hour for RN and \$40/hour for LPN effective February 26, 2020 to June 30, 2020 and hereby authorizes the Board President to execute same.

3. 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, not to exceed \$7,000 effective April 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021 and hereby authorizes the Board President to execute same.

4. Land Swap Approval

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the attached letter of engagement with Tamburello Appraisal Services, Inc. to provide appraisal services to the District in connection with a potential transfer of property, in an amount not to exceed \$2,000 and hereby authorizes the Board President to execute same.

5. Deletion of Hearing Officer from IHO Rotational List

To delete Patricia Phelan 623 from the IHO Rotational List effective January 24, 2020.

6. Committee on Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Special Education Reviews dated 1/14, 1/17, 1/22(HRS), 1/22(JAD), 1/27, 1/28, 1/28(WRS), 2/5, 2/6, and 2/10/20.

**VIII. Report of the Attorney**  
John Sheahan

**IX. High School Report**  
Patricia Farrell

**X. Old Business**

**XI. New Business**  
BOCES Advisory Budget Committee Report  
Presentation by Jennifer Oliveri

**XII. Recognition of Visitors**

**X111. Adjourn**