

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

Tuesday, June 23, 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

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.

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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 _____

GROUP _____

DISTRICT RESIDENT Yes No DISTRICT PERSONNEL Yes No

PRINT/SIGNATURE _____

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

VII. Committee Reports

A. EDUCATION COMMITTEE

[M. Vicente, Chairperson; F. Chiachiere]

1. Tenure Candidate – Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction

After reviewing the recommendation of the Superintendent, it is recommended that Judith LaRocca, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction be granted tenure effective July 1, 2020.

2. Tenure Candidate – Principal

After reviewing the recommendation of the Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction, the Superintendent recommends Rosalie Ambrosio, Principal of the Willow Road School be granted tenure effective July 1, 2020.

3. Tenure Recommendation – Special Education Teacher

After reviewing the recommendation of the Building Principal, and conducting classroom lesson observations and portfolio review, the Superintendent recommends SheMeika Charles, Special Education Teacher assigned to Howell Road School, be granted tenure effective September 1, 2020.

4. Tenure Recommendation – Music Teacher

After reviewing the recommendation of the Building Principal, and conducting classroom lesson observations and portfolio review, the Superintendent recommends Christie Mancuso, Music Teacher assigned to Howell Road School, be granted tenure effective September 1, 2020.

5. Tenure Recommendation – Special Education Teacher

After reviewing the recommendation of the Building Principal, and conducting classroom lesson observations and portfolio review, the Superintendent recommends Adrienne Mehan, Special Education Teacher assigned to Howell Road School, be granted tenure effective September 1, 2020.

6. Tenure Recommendation – Classroom Teacher

After reviewing the recommendation of the Building Principal, and conducting classroom lesson observations and portfolio review, the Superintendent recommends Alyssa Gress, Classroom Teacher assigned to Wheeler Avenue School, be granted tenure effective September 1, 2020.

7. Tenure Recommendation – Special Education Teacher

After reviewing the recommendation of the Building Principal, and conducting classroom lesson observations and portfolio review, the Superintendent recommends Jennifer Lio, Special Education Teacher assigned to Wheeler Avenue School, be granted tenure effective September 1, 2020.

8. Tenure Recommendation – Special Education Teacher

After reviewing the recommendation of the Building Principal, and conducting classroom lesson observations and portfolio review, the Superintendent recommends Valerie Valinoti, Special Education Teacher assigned to Wheeler Avenue School, be granted tenure effective September 1, 2020.

9. Tenure Recommendation – Music Teacher

After reviewing the recommendation of the Building Principal, and conducting classroom lesson observations and portfolio review, the Superintendent recommends Amanda Agosta, Music Teacher assigned to Willow Road School, be granted tenure effective September 1, 2020.

10. Tenure Recommendation – Classroom Teacher

After reviewing the recommendation of the Building Principal, and conducting classroom lesson observations and portfolio review, the Superintendent recommends Michele Lepe, Classroom Teacher assigned to Willow Road School, be granted tenure effective September 1, 2020.

11. Tenure Recommendation – Special Education Teacher

After reviewing the recommendation of the Building Principal, and conducting classroom lesson observations and portfolio review, the Superintendent recommends Lisa Roberti, Special Education Teacher assigned to Willow Road School, be granted tenure effective September 1, 2020.

12. Tenure Recommendation – Classroom Teacher

After reviewing the recommendation of the Building Principal, and conducting classroom lesson observations and portfolio review, the Superintendent recommends Katherine Pulvidente, Classroom Teacher assigned to Willow Road School, be granted tenure effective September 1, 2020.

13. Rescind Appointment – Summer School Principal

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby rescinds the appointment of 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 #14-20)

14. Memorandum of Agreement – Valley Stream Council of Elementary Associations

RESOLVED, THE Board of Education hereby ratifies the attached memorandum of agreement with the Valley Stream Council of Elementary Associations.

15. Memorandum of Agreement – Valley Stream Teachers Association

RESOLVED, THE Board of Education hereby ratifies the attached memorandum of agreement with the Valley Stream Teachers Association.

16. Summer Employment – Special Education Program Staff

To employ the following for the summer Special Education Program effective July 6, 2020 through August 14, 2020 (8:30 am – 11:30 am) and unless otherwise stated, at their hourly rate of pay:

Special Education Teachers:

Maureen Byrnes (Not to exceed 10 hours per week)
Erica Ulsheimer (Not to exceed 15 hours per week)
Antonella Sciscioli (Not to exceed 15 hours per week)
Greer Korshin (Not to exceed 15 hours per week)

Teacher Assistants: (All not to exceed 15 hours per week)

Kristina Lepkowski (Badome)
Deanna Gisonda

Teacher Aides: (All not to exceed 15 hours per week)

Elaine Bringas
Colleen Acardi
Gaetana Rigano
Sherry BiPath

Speech Teachers:

Caroline Farella (Rate of pay to be determined per contract not to exceed 15 hours per week)

Occupational Therapist:

Christina DelGais (Not to exceed 8 hours per week)

Nurse (RN)

Tricia Mercier (Not to exceed 15 hours per week)

17. Summer ENL Program: July 6, 2020 – July 24, 2020, 8:30-11:30 am

Paula Barnick (Not to exceed 15 hours per week)
Susana Sousa (Not to exceed 15 hours per week)

18. Credit for Advanced Study

To approve the credit for advanced study for the following teachers effective September 1, 2020, in accordance with the Board/VSTA contract:

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Heather Cea (WAS)	5MA+30	5MA+45
Elizabeth Suarez (WAS)	4MA	4MA+15
Janis Boremski (JAD)	12.5MA+30	12.5MA+45

19. Resignation for Retirement - Classroom Aide

To accept the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Barbara Kennedy, Classroom Aide at the Howell Road School, effective June 26, 2020, letter dated June 11, 2020.

20. Resignation of Part-time Typist Clerk

To accept the resignation of Audrey Chiang, Part-time Typist Clerk in the Business Office, effective June 30, 2020, letter dated June 16, 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. Cooperative RFP for Temporary Personnel Services

RESOLVED THAT THE Board of Education hereby accepts the contract from Kelly Services Inc. for Temporary Personnel Services for the 2020-2021 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 Stream Central High School District and hereby authorizes the Board President to execute same.

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

2. Assignment for Benefit of Creditors

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen hereby authorizes the law firm of Guercio & Guercio, LLP to file a proof of claim in the New York State Supreme Court Assignment for the Benefit of Creditors proceeding referenced on Confidential Schedule "A".

C. POLICY COMMITTEE [W. Stris, Chairperson]

D. FACILITIES COMMITTEE [T. Pomerantz, Chairperson; F. Chiachiere]

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

1. Approval of Transfer of Funds to the Workers Compensation Reserve Fund

Be it resolved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to transfer an amount not to exceed \$500,000 from Unappropriated Fund Balance to the Workers Compensation Reserve Fund on or before June 30, 2020.

2. Approval of Transfer of Funds to the Unemployment Reserve Fund

Be it resolved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to transfer an amount not to exceed \$100,000 from Unappropriated Fund Balance to the Unemployment Reserve Fund on or before June 30, 2020.

3. Approval of Transfer of Funds to the Employers Retirement Contribution Reserve Fund

Be it resolved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to transfer an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 from Unappropriated Fund Balance to the Employers Retirement Contribution Reserve Fund on or before June 30, 2020.

4. Approval of Transfer of Funds to the Teachers Retirement Contribution Reserve Fund

Be it resolved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to transfer an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 from Unappropriated Fund Balance to the TRS Sub-Fund on or before June 30, 2020.

5. Approval of Transfer of Funds to the Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve Fund

Be it resolved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to transfer an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 from Unappropriated Fund Balance to the Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Reserve Fund on or before June 30, 2020.

6. Approval of Transfer of Funds to the Liability Reserve Fund

Be it resolved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to transfer an amount not to exceed \$500,000 from Unappropriated Fund Balance to the Liability Reserve Fund on or before June 30, 2020.

7. Approval of Transfer of Funds to the Capital Reserve Fund

Be it resolved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to transfer an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 from the General Fund to the Capital Reserve Fund established in May 2018 on or before June 30, 2020.

8. Acceptance of Kiln Bid

RESOLVED, THE Board of Education hereby accepts the high bid of fifteen dollars (\$15) for the disposal of a Skutt Electric Kiln Model LT-3K which has deemed to be obsolete and cannot be salvaged or utilized effectively or economically pursuant to District Policy 6900.

9. Acceptance of Kiln Bid

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby accepts the high bid of \$50.00 for the disposal of an Amaco Electric Kiln Model # HF97SF which has deemed to be obsolete and cannot be salvaged or utilized effectively or economically pursuant to District Policy 6900.

10. Memorandum of Agreement – Suburban Bus Transportation

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby approves the attached memorandum of agreement with Suburban Bus Transportation, Inc. and hereby authorizes the Board President to execute same.

CONSENT AGENDA (Items #11-16)

11. Destruction of Cast Ballots Annual Budget Vote and Election May 21, 2019

WHEREAS, on Tuesday, May 21, 2019, the Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen conducted its Annual Budget Vote and Election; and

WHEREAS, the District Clerk is currently in possession of all cast ballots resulting from such Annual Budget Vote and Election; and

WHEREAS, the Record Retention and Disposition Schedule ED-1 provides for the destruction of such ballots after one (1) year from the date of the Annual Budget Vote and Election; and

WHEREAS, at least one (1) year has elapsed from the date of the Annual Budget Vote and Election held on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 and no proceedings have been commenced with regard to such Annual Budget Vote and Election; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen hereby orders the destruction of all cast ballots resulting from the May 21, 2019 Annual Budget Vote and Election.

12. Disposal of Obsolete, Surplus or Unusable District Property BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District 13 hereby declares the articles of property listed below are obsolete and cannot be salvaged or utilized effectively or economically by the school district; and hereby directs the Facilities Department to have these items disposed of in accordance with District Policy 6900.

Laptops	
Dell Latitude E6400 (2008)	23
Dell Latitude E5410 (2010)	12
Desktops	
Optiplex 3010	1
Optiplex 380	33
Optiplex 755	2
Optiplex 760	1
Optiplex 390	13
Optiplex 990	7
SMART Boards and Projectors	
Epson	2
Mitsubishi	2
NEC	28
Teq	5
Smartboard	9
Printers	
HP LJ 4050N	1
HP LJ Pro 400 M401	1
HP LJ Pro 400 M451	1
Lexmark E260	3
Lexmark E460	3
Lexmark MS510	10
Monitors	
Dell P1911T	36
Acer V173	1
Acer V196HQL	1
Miscellaneous	
Chromebook charging cart	1
iPod charging cart	2
iPod	32
Macbook	4
iPad	1

Flat screen plasma TV	1
Acer chromebook C740	245

13. Acceptance of Donation

To accept one check in the amount of \$1,000 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.

14. Acceptance of Donation

To accept a donation of a Buddy Bench donated by the Class of 2020 at the Wheeler Avenue School with an estimated value of \$913.79.

15. Committee on Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Special Education Reviews dated 5/26, 6/2, 6/3 and 6/8/2020.

16. Committee on Pre-school Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Pre-school Education Reviews dated 5/27/2020.

VIII. Report of the Attorney
John Sheahan

IX. High School Report
Patricia Farrell

X. Old Business

XI. New Business

XII. Recognition of Visitors

X111. Adjourn