

VALLEY STREAM CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES • SEPTEMBER 9, 2014

Business Meeting

District Office Board Room

8:00 PM

1 Kent Road, Valley Stream, NY 11580

Executive Session Notice

The Board will enter into Executive Session at 7:00 p.m. and will re-enter Public Session at 8:00 PM.

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
William P. Stris	Trustee	Present	
Lisa Pellicane	Trustee	Present	
Cristobal Stewart	Board Member	Present	
James Lavery	Board Member	Present	
Anthony Iadevaio	Trustee	Present	
Carolyn Torres	Trustee	Absent	
Jeanne Greco Jacobs	Trustee	Present	
Joseph DiSibio	Trustee	Absent	
Lawrence Trogel	Trustee	Present	

Call to Order

Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel, Negotiations, Legal and Other Legally Permissible Issues

Pledge of Allegiance

Information re: Emergency Exits

Recognition of Visitors

Communications

District Clerk, Gina Zaccari, shared that the Board of Education had received the following correspondence:

New York School Board Association

Information regarding workshops and webinars

Nassau Suffolk School Board Association

Updated invitation to Annual Resolution Dinner

Miscellaneous

Invitations to various building events

Minutes

New Business

Trustee Stris opened the discussion of televising various District events and had respectfully asked the Board to form a committee to investigate the scope, efficiency, costs, and types of such communications.

Dr. Heidenreich stated that he was unsure if televising was effective; seeing it as old technology. He also felt that this type of discussion took away from the District's mission and service to the students.

Trustee Stewart and Jacobs both agreed with Dr. Heidenreich. Trustee Jacobs also asked if there was any data on the efficiency of televising and what percentages of school districts use televising in addition to the internet.

Be it resolved that a committee be formed to investigate the scope, efficiency and cost of alternate and/or additional avenues of communication then those currently in use by the District.

On the motion of Trustee Stris, seconded by Trustee Stewart, the Board agreed to form such committee.

The vote was as follows:

President Trogel	Yes/Aye
Vice President Jacobs	Yes/Aye
Trustee Iadevaio	Yes/Aye
Trustee Lavery	Yes/Aye
Trustee Pellicane	Yes/Aye
Trustee Stewart	Yes/Aye
Trustee Stris	Yes/Aye

With 7 yes/aye, motion passed.

Superintendent of Schools

- A. Authorization to Execute Agreement with the Valley Stream Teachers' Association
 Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement with the Valley Stream Teachers' Association for the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2019 dated September 8, 2014, and authorizes the President of the Board of Education and Superintendent to execute a collective bargaining agreement.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Anthony Iadevaio, Trustee
SECONDER:	Cristobal Stewart, Board Member
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Iadevaio, Torres, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel

- B. Authorization to Execute Stipulation of Settlement
 Be it resolved that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves a Stipulation of Settlement and General Release ("Stipulation") with the parents of the student identified on Confidential Schedule "A-1," and authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute such Stipulation on behalf of the Valley Stream Central High School District.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Anthony Iadevaio, Trustee
SECONDER:	Cristobal Stewart, Board Member
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Iadevaio, Torres, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel

Information and Exploration

Dr. Heindenreich, along with Trustee Stris, thanked President Trogel along with Dr. Kenneth Cummings, Pat Negliari, and the Teachers for their overwhelming approval on their new contract.

1. Residency Advisory Committee Meeting - Monday, November 24, 2014, 8:30 A.M.?

Trustee Stris and Trustee Iadevaio will be in attendance.

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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2. Opening Day of School

Dr. Heidenreich commented that the first week of school, which includes over 4,500 students in all four schools, started with an easy and wonderful transition into routines and schedules.

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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Attorney's Report

Gregory Guercio, attorney for the District, presented a report where the Eastern District for New York recently decided for the first time, that a school district's Mathematics Chairperson qualified as a "school officer," and therefore could not be sued in an employment discrimination action without the filing of a notice of claim. The court found that as a matter of law, the Mathematics Chairperson fell under the category of "other elective or appointive officer."

Education Committee

Resignation

1. Part Time Special Education Aide Resignation
Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee recommends acceptance of the following resignation:

Cathy Heine- North
Effective August 29, 2014
Personal reasons

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jeanne Greco Jacobs, Trustee
SECONDER:	William P. Stris, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Iadevaio, Torres, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel

Appointments

1. Appointment of Probationary School Nurse
Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, and in accordance with the New York State Education Law, the Committee recommends appointment of the following (pending verification of credentials, fingerprinting, and experience) effective as noted, pending negotiations, unless terminated prior thereto in the manner prescribed by Law:

Renee Wilkinson-St. Fort
 Salary Step 1.....\$45,780 (prorated)
 Tentative Assignment: North
 Six month probationary period effective September 29, 2014 - March 28, 2015
 To replace Ms. Reidman

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jeanne Greco Jacobs, Trustee
SECONDER:	William P. Stris, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Iadevaio, Torres, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel

2. Appointment of Probationary Typist Clerks
Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee recommends appointment of the following, (pending verification of credentials, civil service certification, fingerprinting, and experience) effective as noted, pending negotiations, unless terminated prior thereto in the manner prescribed by Law:

- a. MaryAnne Stroke
 Salary Step 1..... \$34,600 (prorated)
 Assignment: North
 Twenty six week probationary period effective
 September 29, 2014 - March 28, 2015
 To replace Ms. Sarno

- b. Stephanie Stravinskaskas

Salary Step 1..... \$34,600 (prorated)
 Assignment: District Residency Office
 Twenty six week probationary period effective
 September 29, 2014 - March 28, 2015
 To replace Ms. Heaney

- c. Melanie Rosen
 Salary Step 1..... \$34,600 (prorated)
 Assignment: Central
 Twenty six week probationary period effective
 September 29, 2014 - March 28, 2015
 To replace Ms. McDermott

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Jeanne Greco Jacobs, Trustee
SECONDER: William P. Stris, Trustee
AYES: Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Iadevaio, Torres, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel

- 3. Appointment of School Monitor, 2014-2015
 Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee recommends appointment of the following, (pending verification of credentials, civil service certification, fingerprinting, and experience) effective as noted, unless terminated prior thereto in the manner prescribed by Law:

Monitor	School	Step	Hourly Rate
Jaime McQuillan	Memorial	1	\$10.80

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Jeanne Greco Jacobs, Trustee
SECONDER: Lisa Pellicane, Trustee
AYES: Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Iadevaio, Torres, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel

- 4. Appointment of Lunchroom Supervisors, 2014-2015
 Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Committee recommends approval of the following effective as noted, pending negotiations, listed in the Valley Stream Teachers' Association Collective Bargaining Agreement unless terminated prior thereto in the manner prescribed by law :

School	Supervisor	Periods	+/-	Stipend
Central	Frank Alesia	1	+	\$3,581

	Amy LaPersonerie	1	+	\$3,581
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RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Jeanne Greco Jacobs, Trustee
SECONDER: Anthony Iadevaio, Trustee
AYES: Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Iadevaio, Torres, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel

5. Appointment of Impartial Hearing Officer
 In accordance with Board of Education Policy 4321.5 Impartial Hearing Officer Selection, Appointment and Reimbursement, and having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee confirms the appointment of an Impartial Hearing Officer for case number 85757 effective August 26, 2014:

Martin Kehoe - \$100 per hour

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Jeanne Greco Jacobs, Trustee
SECONDER: Anthony Iadevaio, Trustee
AYES: Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Iadevaio, Torres, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel

6. Appointment of Per Diem Substitutes, 2014-15
 Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee recommends the appointment of the following as per diem substitutes at a rate of \$105 per diem without benefits:

Carmen Berg
 Riain Molloy
 Michael Mondello
 Alison Schoch
 Christopher Schulman

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Jeanne Greco Jacobs, Trustee
SECONDER: Lisa Pellicane, Trustee
AYES: Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Iadevaio, Torres, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel

7. Appointment of Part-Time Substitute Cleaners
 Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee recommends appointment of the following (pending verification of fingerprinting) as part-time substitute cleaners at a rate of \$12.00 per hour without benefits:

Steven Bennett
Kevin James
Michael Scala

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Jeanne Greco Jacobs, Trustee
SECONDER: Lisa Pellicane, Trustee
AYES: Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Iadevaio, Torres, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel

Stipends/Salary Adjustments

- Interscholastic Activities, 2014-15
 Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Committee recommends approval of the following stipends, pending negotiations, at the appropriate step effective as noted:

School	Coach	Activity	Season	+/-	Stipend
Memorial	Benjamin Tangney	JH Cross Country HC	9/8/14-11/1/14	+	\$2,600
	Nicole Wissler*	JH Cross Country HC	9/8/14-11/1/14	-	\$2,846
South	Alison Sturchio	Varsity Cheerleading HC (.5)	9/10/14-3/25/15	+	\$1,359.50
	Fallon McCarthy	Varsity Cheerleading HC (.5)	9/10/14-3/25/15	+	\$1,359.50

*Non district employee

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Jeanne Greco Jacobs, Trustee
SECONDER: William P. Stris, Trustee
AYES: Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Iadevaio, Torres, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel

- Co-Curricular Activities, 2014-15
 Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Committee recommends approval of the following stipends, pending negotiations, at the appropriate step effective as noted:

School	Staff Member	Activity	Effective	Stipend
North	Michelle Lopez	Grade Advisor - 7 th grade (.5)	9/10/14-6/30/15	\$873
	Catherine Modzelewski	Students to Oppose Prejudice/ A World Of Difference	9/10/14-6/30/15	\$1,831

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jeanne Greco Jacobs, Trustee
SECONDER:	William P. Stris, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Iadevaio, Torres, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel

Committee on Special Education

1. Recommendation from the Committee on Special Education
Be it resolved that the Board of Education arrange for the placement of students as recommended by the Committee on Special Education.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jeanne Greco Jacobs, Trustee
SECONDER:	Lisa Pellicane, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Iadevaio, Torres, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel

Business Report

Financial Reports

1. Treasurer's Report
The Treasurer's report for the month of July 2014 is submitted for examination.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Anthony Iadevaio, Trustee
SECONDER:	Lisa Pellicane, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Iadevaio, Torres, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel

2. Budget Status Reports
The Budget Status Reports for the period July 1, 2014 through August 31, 2014 are submitted for examination and acceptance.
General Fund
Capital Fund
School Lunch Fund
Special Aid Fund

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Anthony Iadevaio, Trustee
SECONDER:	Lisa Pellicane, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Iadevaio, Torres, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel

3. Trial Balance Reports
 The Trial Balance Reports for the period July 1, 2014 through July 31, 2014 are submitted for examination and acceptance.
 General Fund
 Capital Fund
 School Lunch Fund
 Special Aid Fund

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Anthony Iadevaio, Trustee
SECONDER:	Lisa Pellicane, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Iadevaio, Torres, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel

4. Revenue Reports
 The Revenue Status Reports for the period July 1, 2014 through August 31, 2014 are submitted for examination and acceptance.
 General Fund
 Capital Fund
 School Lunch Fund
 Special Aid Fund

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Anthony Iadevaio, Trustee
SECONDER:	Lisa Pellicane, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Iadevaio, Torres, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel

5. Schedule of Bills and Respective Reports of the Claims Auditor
 July 1, 2014-August 31, 2014

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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Informational items

1. Conference Attendance
 Board of Education and Superintendent (July 1, 2014-August 31, 2014)

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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2. Overnight Conference Attendance
Staff (July 1, 2014-August 31, 2014)

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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3. District Reimbursements
Board of Education and Superintendent (July 1, 2014-August 31, 2014)

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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4. Meals and Refreshments
(July 1, 2014-August 31, 2014)

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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- C. Disposal of Equipment
Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and in accordance with Board of Education policy 6900, the Business Committee recommends the disposition of obsolete equipment.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Anthony Iadevaio, Trustee
SECONDER:	William P. Stris, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Iadevaio, Torres, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel

Policy Committee

- A. No Action to Report

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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Old and New Business

Opportunity for Guests

Consideration of Executive Session for the Purpose of Discussing Personnel, Negotiations, Legal and Other Legally Permissible Issues

ADJOURN

On the motion of Trustee Iadevaio, seconded by Trustee Lavery and carried unanimously, the Board adjourned at 8:31pm.

Gina Zaccari

Gina Zaccari
District Clerk