

VALLEY STREAM CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES • DECEMBER 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	Trustee	Present	
James Lavery	Trustee	Present	
Anthony Iadevaio	Trustee	Absent	
Carolyn Torres	Trustee	Absent	
Jeanne Greco Jacobs	Vice President	Present	
Joseph DiSibio	Trustee	Present	
Lawrence Trogel	President	Present	

2. Meeting Opened

Board President Trogel called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm. Upon motion of Trustee Stris, seconded by Trustee Stewart and approved unanimously, the Board entered into Executive Session for the employment history of a particular person, for the discussion regarding proposed pending and current litigation and for collective negotiations pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service law (The Taylor Law).

At 8:08 pm the Board came out of Executive Session and entered into Public Session.

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 received the following correspondence:

New York State School Boards Association
Information regarding various events and seminars

Nassau BOCES
Information regarding their 2015/16 Budget Review Committee

Nassau Academy of Law

Information regarding their annual School Law Conference

Miscellaneous

Invitations to various building events
(2) letters from community members
(1) resignation letter

Minutes

New Business

Superintendent of Schools

A. Ratification of Stipulations and Authorization for Superintendent to Implement Said Stipulations

Resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby ratifies the stipulations settling pending matters before the Public Employment Relations Board under case numbers U-33334 and U-33335, and authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to implement said stipulations.

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

B. Request to Accept Gift

Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, accept the following gift for use at North High School:

Donated by: North High School Spartan Club
Qty. One (1) Plaque to Honor North High School All-County Athletes
Value: \$800 (as estimated by donor)

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

Information and Exploration

1. Residency Advisory Committee Meeting Report

Asst. Superintendent Nekulak discussed that the Residency Advisory Committee Meeting which took place on November 24, 2014 at

8 am which was attended by 19 people; PTA members, parents, a Village representative and the Attorney were also in attendance. The Committee discussed and reviewed various regulations of the residency process.

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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2. **2015-16 School Year Budget - Building Tours, Saturday, January 10, 2015**

Superintendent Heidenreich stated that there will be post times of each school tour so that members of the public will be able to attend any and all schools.

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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3. **Release Date of Waiver Letters - Week of December 15, 2014**

Return date is February 15, 2015.

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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Attorney's Report

Greg Guercio, Attorney for the District, presented a report on a recent decision made by the Supreme Court of NY where they denied as premature a teacher's petition for an order vacating the decision of an arbitrator to allow the introduction of evidence at a hearing pursuant to Education Law Section 3020-a in which the teacher is respondent; denied as premature the teacher's petition for an order to dismiss the 3020-a charges filed against him; and denied the teacher's petition for an order awarding him costs and attorney's fees.

Education Committee

Resignation

1. **Assistant Superintendent for Personnel and Administration Resignation**

Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee recommends acceptance of the following resignation:

Tracey A. Nekulak, Ed.D.
Effective January 4, 2015
Other employment

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

Appointments

1. **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 November 14, 2014:

Michael Lazan - \$100 per hour

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

2. **Appointment of Leave Replacement Teacher, 2014-15**

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 at the salary, unless terminated prior thereto in the manner prescribed by Law:

Kaitlyn DiLapi - Physical Education
 Salary Step 1 MA \$67,656 (prorated)
 Education: Adelphi University, BA; MA
 Tentative Assignment: North
 Effective December 10, 2014
 To replace Ms. Nevitt-Cordova

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

3. **Appointment of Summer Music Staff, 2014**

Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee recommends appointment of the following effective as noted:

Staff Member	Position	Stipend
Stefano Flavoni	Organist	\$800

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

4. **Appointment of Probationary Assistant Head Custodian**
 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:

Miguel Pineiro
 Salary\$43,997 (prorated)
 Tentative Assignment: North
 Twenty six week probationary period effective January 5, 2015 - July 4, 2015
 To replace Mr. Mateo

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

5. **Appointment of Part Time Teachers Aides - Special Education, 2014-2015**
 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 unless terminated prior thereto in the manner prescribed by Law:

Teacher Aide	School	Step	Hourly Rate
Michele Matheos	Memorial	1	\$12.70

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

Stipends/Salary Adjustments

- Interscholastic Athletics**
Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Committee recommends approval of the following stipends at the appropriate step:

School	Coach	Activity	Season	+/-	Stipend
District	Cecelia Bocker*	Varsity Gymnastics HC	12/8/14-3/24/2015	-	\$4,464 (prorated)
	Alissa Longo	Varsity Gymnastics HC	12/10/14-3/24/2015	+	\$4,464 (prorated)
Memorial	Michael DiGiovanna	Boys JH Volleyball HC	1/20/2015-3/20/2015	+	\$3,794
	Michael Luckert*	JH Wrestling HC	1/20/2015-3/20/2015	+	\$4,406
	Benjamin Tangney	Girls JH Basketball HC	1/20/2015-3/20/2015	+	\$4,406
North	James Green	Girls JH Basketball HC	1/20/2015-3/20/2015	+	\$4,406
	Thomas Maddock	JH Wrestling HC	1/20/2015-3/20/2015	+	\$4,406
	Allan Nafte	Boys JH Volleyball HC	1/20/2015-3/20/2015	+	\$3,315
South	Christopher Bottjer	JH Wrestling HC	1/20/2015-3/20/2015	+	\$4,406
	Richard Boyd	Girls JH Basketball HC	1/20/2015-3/20/2015	+	\$4,406
	Peter DiThomas	Boys JH Volleyball HC	1/20/2015-3/20/2015	+	\$3,794

*Non-District employee

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

- 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
Memorial	Kontoleon, Helen	Major Musical Director (Spring)	1/1/15 - 6/30/15	\$4,303
North	Montemarano, Anthony	Minor Drama Director (Spring)	1/1/15 - 6/30/15	\$3,820
South	Creegan, Daniel	Major Musical Conductor (Spring)	1/1/15 - 6/30/15	\$925

South	Lee, Edward	Stage Crafts (Spring)	1/1/15 - 6/30/15	\$1,847
South	Vella, Rita	Major Music Director (Spring)	1/1/15 - 6/30/15	\$4,303

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Jeanne Greco Jacobs, Vice President
AYES: Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel
ABSENT: Anthony Iadevaio, Carolyn Torres

Committee on Special Education

- 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, Vice President
SECONDER: William P. Stris, Trustee
AYES: Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel
ABSENT: Anthony Iadevaio, Carolyn Torres

Informational Item

- Requests for Leave, 2014-15**
 The following staff members have requested and are granted unpaid leave effective as noted:

Name	School	Area	Provision	Effective
Justine Chan	Central	English	FMLA	11/1/14-11/14/14
Melissa Keegan	South	School Counselor	FMLA	12/5/14-3/2/15
Nikki Cordova	North	Physical Education	Child Care	12/3/14-6/30/15

RESULT: DISCUSSED

Business Report

Financial Reports

- Treasurer's Report**
 The Treasurer's report for the month of October 2014 is submitted for examination.

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

2. **Budget Status Reports**

The Budget Status Reports for the period July 1, 2014 through November 30, 2014 are submitted for examination and acceptance.

General Fund

Capital Fund

School Lunch Fund

Special Aid Fund

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

3. **Trial Balance Reports**

The Trial Balance Reports for the period July 1, 2014 through October 31, 2014 are submitted for examination and acceptance.

General Fund

Capital Fund

School Lunch Fund

Special Aid Fund

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

4. **Revenue Reports**

The Revenue Status Reports for the period July 1, 2014 through November 30, 2014 are submitted for examination and acceptance.

General Fund

Capital Fund

School Lunch Fund

Special Aid Fund

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

5. **Extracurricular Fund Reports**

The Extracurricular Fund Reports for the month of October 2014 are submitted for examination and acceptance.

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

Informational items

1. **Schedule of Bills and Respective Reports of the Claims Auditor**
July 1, 2014-November 30, 2014

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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2. **Conference Attendance**
Board of Education and Superintendent (July 1, 2014-November 30, 2014)

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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3. **Overnight Conference Attendance**
Staff (July 1, 2014-November 30, 2014)

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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4. **District Reimbursements**
Board of Education and Superintendent (July 1, 2014-November 30, 2014)

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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5. **Meals and Refreshments**
(July 1, 2014-November 30, 2014)

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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C. Approval of Special Education Services Contract-SCO Family of Services/Madonna Heights

Be it resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves an agreement with SCO Family of Services/Madonna Heights for Instructional Services in the amount set by the State Education Department, and hereby authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute said agreement.

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

D. Approval of Special Education Vision Services Contract-Rockville Centre Union Free School District

Be it resolved, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves an agreement with Rockville Centre Union Free School District for Vision Services in the amount set by the State Education Department, and hereby authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute said agreement.

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

E. Approval of Flood Insurance Renewal Policy

Be it resolved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Request for Proposal from Wright National Flood Insurance Program be renewed, effective December 19, 2014-December 19, 2015, in the premium amount of \$7,856. be approved by the Board of Education. (RFP:#14/15-B04)

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

F. Approval of Network Liability & Privacy Protection Insurance Policy

Be it resolved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Request for Proposal from Bollinger Inc./Arthur J. Gallagher Risk Management Services Inc./ACE American Insurance Company for Network Liability &

Privacy Protection Insurance, effective November 19, 2014-November 19, 2015, in the premium amount of \$13,250. be approved by the Board of Education. (RFP:#14/15-B03)

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

G. Award of Wilson Reading Instructional Services Contract

Be it resolved upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Request for Proposal from Access 7 Services, Inc., Commack for Wilson Reading Instructional Services for the 14/15 school year at a rate of \$115.50 for 42 minutes be approved by the Board of Education (RFP#14/15-A09).

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

H. Budget Transfers

Be it resolved, that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Business Committee recommends the approval of budget transfers dated December 9, 2014 in accordance with Board Policy 6150.

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

I. 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:	Joseph DiSibio, Trustee
SECONDER:	William P. Stris, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel
ABSENT:	Anthony Iadevaio, Carolyn Torres

Policy Committee

A. Policies Recommended for Deletion on First Reading

The following policies are presented for deletion on first reading:

- a. 5150 R School Admissions Regulation
- b. 5152 R Admission on Non-Resident Students Regulation

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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B. Policies Recommended for Consideration as Revised on First Reading

The following policies are presented for consideration as revised on first reading:

- a. 5150 School Admissions
- b. 5151 Homeless Children
- c. 5151R Homeless Children Regulation
- d. 5152 Admission of Non-Resident Students

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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C. Policy Recommended for Adoption as New on Second Reading

The following policy is presented for adoption as new on second reading:

- a. 6680 Internal Audit Function

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

D. Policies Recommended for Adoption as Revised on Second Reading

The following policies are presented for adoption as revised on second reading:

- a. 5404 Student Wellness
- b. 6650 Claims Auditor
- c. 6700 Purchasing and Bidding
- d. 6760 Payment Procedures

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

Old and New Business

Superintendent Heidenreich shared that a Central senior won, along with another student from Jericho High school,

the Siemens Competition. These students will share a \$30,000 scholarship; this student will be honored at the January meeting.

According to Board Policy, when a one call is made, the Superintendent must make a statement at the following Board meeting to explain the details. Superintendent Heidenreich's statement was as follows:

On the morning of December 9th North High School received a bomb threat via telephone. Principal Odell spoke with this person and tried to receive as many details as possible. Upon concluding the call, 911 was immediately called and the administration of North followed the District wide safety plan that is in effect; at this time a shelter in place protocol was followed. The District Office was also notified and District Officials were dispatched to North. After inspection by both local police and the bomb squad, normal activities resumed.

Opportunity for Guests

One Parent asked to have three issues discussed:

Status of the gymnastics coach - who was approved at the December 9th meeting

Status of the rifle team - at this time there will not be a rifle team but this will again be discussed before the Reorganization Meeting

Can students attend other District's activities - as stated by Nassau BOCES, this cannot be done due to insurance reasons.

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

ADJOURN

On the motion of Trustee Stris, seconded by Trustee Lavery and carried unanimously, the Board adjourned at 8:30pm.



Gina Zaccari
District Clerk