

VALLEY STREAM CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES • FEBRUARY 9, 2016

Business Meeting

Memorial Junior High School, Cafeteria B,

8:00 PM

320 Fletcher Avenue, Valley Stream, NY 11580

Executive Session Notice

The Board will enter into Executive Session at 6:30 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	Vice President	Present	
James Lavery	Trustee	Present	
Ingrid Wyllie	Trustee	Present	
Anthony Iadevaio	Trustee	Present	
Joseph DiSibio	Trustee	Present	
Lawrence Trogel	Trustee	Present	
Frank J. Chiachiere	President	Present	

2. Meeting Opened

Board President Chiachiere called the meeting to order at 6:32 PM. Upon motion of Trustee Stris, seconded by Trustee Trogel 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 8:01 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 workshops and webinars

JANUARY 2016 SCHOOL ATTORNEY REPORT

NATIONAL SCHOOL BOARDS ASSOCIATION
Information regarding their annual Conference

VARIOUS BUILDING EVENTS INVITATIONS

Minutes**A. Draft Minutes of January 9, 2016 Annual Building Tours and Meeting**

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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B. Board of Education - Business Meeting - Jan 12, 2016 8:00 PM

RESULT:	ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	William P. Stris, Trustee
SECONDER:	Anthony Iadevaio, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Wyllie, Iadevaio, DiSibio, Trogel, Chiachiere

New BusinessSuperintendent of Schools**A. Approval of Calendar Days for Student Attendance and Days of Religious Observance**

Resolved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve the calendar of days for student attendance for 2016-17, prepared in accordance with the agreement with the Valley Stream Teachers' Association and the days of Religious Observance.

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

B. Approval of the Charles Chiarello Memorial Scholarship

Be it resolved that the Board of Education, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, approve The Charles Chiarello Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$250 to be awarded annually to three graduating students, one in each of the three high schools, and \$100 to be awarded annually to one student, a freshman, at Memorial JHS, who meet the following criteria:

- has earned a 90 overall average
- Successfully completed a minimum of two courses in CTE (Central, North and South High Schools) or completed CTE courses in grades 8 and 9 (Memorial Junior High School)
- Community and/or school involvement through volunteer work that impacts or reflects the mission of VSCHSD CTE programs
- Plans to pursue an area of CTE in college or post-secondary training/career

- Exhibits exemplary “Key Behaviors and Attitudes” (the non-cognitive, socio-emotional knowledge and skills that help students transition to college and careers)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	William P. Stris, Trustee
SECONDER:	Cristobal Stewart, Vice President
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Wyllie, Iadevaio, DiSibio, Trogel, Chiachiere

C. **Health and Welfare Services**

Approval of contracts for Health and Welfare Services as requested for the following school for the 2015-16 school year:

Health and Welfare Services rendered for 119 students attending Kellenberg Memorial High School and 3 students attending Hebrew Academy of Nassau County in the Uniondale Union Free School District @ \$646.34 per pupil.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	William P. Stris, Trustee
SECONDER:	James Lavery, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Wyllie, Iadevaio, DiSibio, Trogel, Chiachiere

Information and Exploration

1. **Legislative Breakfast - March 12, 2016**

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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2. **Student Recognition - Music**

- NYSSMA All-State Conference
- All County Music Festival
- Long Island String Festival

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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Attorney's Report

John Sheahan, Attorney for the District shared with the Board a case where the Commissioner of Education dismissed an appeal alleging that the Rockville Centre School District violated the Dignity for All Students Act ("DASA") in carrying out an investigation.

Education Committee

Resignations

1. **Supervisory Aide Resignation**

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

Anthony LaRocco - South
Effective February 29, 2016

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Cristobal Stewart, Vice President
SECONDER:	William P. Stris, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Wyllie, Iadevaio, DiSibio, Trogel, Chiachiere

Appointments

1. Appointment of Probationary Maintainer

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:

Christopher Weber
Salary\$41,861 (prorated)
Tentative Assignment: District
Twenty six week probationary period effective February 10, 2016 - August 09, 2016
Mr. Weber is replacing Mr. Parant

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Cristobal Stewart, Vice President
SECONDER:	William P. Stris, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Wyllie, Iadevaio, DiSibio, Trogel, Chiachiere

2. Appointment of Per Diem Substitutes, 2015 - 2016

Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee recommends the appointment of the following as per diem substitutes at a rate of \$110 per diem without benefits:

Karen Finn	Brittney Mauceri
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RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Cristobal Stewart, Vice President
SECONDER:	William P. Stris, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Wyllie, Iadevaio, DiSibio, Trogel, Chiachiere

3. **Appointment of School Monitor**

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
Nataly Chavelon	South	1	\$11.00

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Cristobal Stewart, Vice President
SECONDER:	William P. Stris, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Wyllie, Iadevaio, DiSibio, Trogel, Chiachiere

Stipends/Salary Adjustments

1. **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	Karen Cooney	Var. Girls Lacrosse AC	3/7/16 - 6/5/16	+	\$4,626
	Daniel Kraemer	Var. Boys Lacrosse HC	3/7/16 - 6/5/16	+	\$6,319
	Timothy Kraemer*	Var. Boys Lacrosse AC	3/7/16 - 6/5/16	+	\$4,626
	Jessica Ricotta	Var. Girls Lacrosse HC	3/7/16 - 6/5/16	+	\$6,110
	Joseph Powers	JV Boys Lacrosse HC	3/7/16 - 6/5/16	+	\$4,502
	Lucia Vigliotti	JV Girls Lacrosse HC	3/7/16 - 6/5/16	+	\$4,502
Central	Frank Alesia	Var. Baseball HC	3/7/16 - 6/12/16	+	\$6,933
	Jack Gorman	Var. Boys Tennis HC	3/14/16 - 6/5/16	+	\$3,989
	Kerri Guzzardo	Var. Girls Badminton HC	3/14/16 - 5/29/16	+	\$3,677
	George Karahalios	Var. Boys/Girls Track AC	3/7/16 - 6/12/16	+	\$4,502
	Britt Klein	Var. Softball HC	3/7/16 - 6/12/16	+	\$6,110
	Jason Smith*	Var. Boys Track/Field HC	3/7/16 - 6/12/16	+	\$6,319
	Jacqueline	JV Softball HC	3/7/16 -	+	\$4,750

	Starzewski		6/12/16		
	Clive Walters	Var. Girls Track/Field HC	3/7/16 - 6/12/16	+	\$6,110
	Christopher Weidlein	JV Baseball HC	3/7/16 - 6/12/16	+	\$4,750
North	David Aguado	Var. Softball HC	3/7/16 - 6/12/16	+	\$6,529
	Krystal Barrera	Kickline Var HC	1/4/16 - 3/6/16	+	\$2,484**
	Krystal Barrera	Kickline JV HC	1/4/16 - 3/6/16	+	\$3,265**
	Timothy Boyens	Var. Boys Track/Field HC	3/7/16 - 6/12/16	+	\$6,933
	Alexander Cuzzo*	Var. Boys/Girls Track AC	3/7/16 - 6/12/16	+	\$4,502
	Kaitlyn DiLapi	JV Softball HC	3/7/16 - 6/12/16	+	\$4,626
	Ashley Hurd	Kickline Var HC	12/28/15 - 3/6/16	-	\$2,686**
	Michael Frazer	Var. Girls Track/Field HC	3/7/16 - 6/12/16	+	\$6,933
	Gregory Gonzalez	JV Baseball HC	3/7/16 - 6/12/16	+	\$4,502
	Kathryn Moran	Var. Boys Tennis HC	3/14/16 - 6/5/16	+	\$3,989
	Amanda Platovsky	Kickline JV HC	12/28/15 - 3/6/16	-	\$2,689**
	Philip Sanfilippo	Var. Baseball HC	3/7/16 - 6/12/16	+	\$6,933
	Thomas Schiavo	Var. Girls Badminton HC	3/14/16 - 5/29/16	+	\$3,989
South	Demetri Adrahtas	Var. Softball HC	3/7/16 - 6/12/16	+	\$6,933
	Nicole Bertrami	Var. Girls Track/Field HC	3/7/16 - 6/12/16	+	\$6,933
	Steven Corea*	Var. Baseball Volunteer	3/7/16 - 6/12/16	n/a	
	Richard Hess*	JV Baseball Volunteer	3/7/16 - 6/12/16	n/a	
	Kristi Hinkelman	Var. Boys Tennis HC	3/14/16 - 6/5/16	+	\$3,989
	Matt Johnsen	Var. Boys Track/Field HC	3/7/16 - 6/12/16	+	\$6,933
	Michele Marcus	Var. Girls Badminton HC	3/14/16 - 5/29/16	+	\$3,989
	Kenneth Rice	Var. Boys Track/ Field AC	3/7/16 - 6/12/16	+	\$5,027
	Christopher Viggiano	JV Softball HC	3/7/16 - 6/12/16	+	\$5,027
	Kenneth Ward	Var. Baseball HC	3/7/16 - 6/12/16	+	\$6,933

*non-district employee

**prorated

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Cristobal Stewart, Vice President
SECONDER:	Anthony Iadevaio, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Wyllie, Iadevaio, DiSibio, Trogel, Chiachiere

2. **Co-Curricular Activities, 2015 - 2016**

Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools the Committee recommends approval of the following stipend at the appropriate step effective as noted:

School	Staff Member	Activity	Effective	Stipend
North	Janine D'Amico	Major Musical Choreographer (Spr)	2/1/16 - 4/18/16	\$1,241
	Todd Holly	Music Conductor (Spr)	2/1/16 - 4/18/16	\$933
	Fabian Jara	Video Club (.5)	2/10/16 - 6/10/16	\$1,862
	Anthony Montemarano	Major Musical Director (Spr)	2/1/16 - 4/18/16	\$4,340
	Courtney Schmaeling	Music Director (Spr)	2/1/16 - 4/18/16	\$1,862
South	Lori Tintella	Yearbook (.5)	1/4/16 - 6/30/16	(\$2,190.50)*
	Danielle Fiorentino	Yearbook (.5)	1/4/16 - 6/30/16	\$1,912*

*Prorated

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Cristobal Stewart, Vice President
SECONDER:	Anthony Iadevaio, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Wyllie, Iadevaio, DiSibio, Trogel, Chiachiere

3. **Appointment of Adult Education Personnel, Spring 2016**

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 effective as noted on an as need basis to be determined by administration:

Instructor	Course	Hourly Rate	Max. Hrs.
Pearl Brummer	Senior Citizens Education Seminar II	\$20.00	10
JoAnne Devine	Exercise for Health	\$40.00	13
JoAnne Devine	Chair Yoga	\$40.00	13
Darryl Granum	Zumba	\$25.00	10

Elaina Marku	Kundalini Yoga	\$40.00	36
Christina Mastroserio	Volleyball	\$32.50	32

RESULT: APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER: Cristobal Stewart, Vice President
SECONDER: Anthony Iadevaio, Trustee
AYES: Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Wyllie, Iadevaio, DiSibio, Trogel, Chiachiere

Committee on Special Education

- Recommendations 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: Cristobal Stewart, Vice President
SECONDER: Anthony Iadevaio, Trustee
AYES: Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Wyllie, Iadevaio, DiSibio, Trogel, Chiachiere

Information Item

- Requests for Leave, 2015 - 2016**
 The following staff members have requested and are granted unpaid leave effective as noted:

Name	School	Area	Provision	Effective
Craig Mesagno	District	Maintenance	FMLA	1/27/16 - 2/24/16
Jennifer McAward	South	Special Ed.	FMLA	2/2/16 - 3/30/16

RESULT: DISCUSSED

Business Report

Financial Reports

- Treasurer's Report**
 The Treasurer's report for the month of December 2015 is submitted for examination.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Joseph DiSibio, Trustee
SECONDER:	Lawrence Trogel, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Wyllie, Iadevaio, DiSibio, Trogel, Chiachiere

2. Trial Balance Reports

The Trial Balance Reports for the period July 1, 2015 through January 31, 2016 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, Wyllie, Iadevaio, DiSibio, Trogel, Chiachiere

3. Revenue Reports

The Revenue Status Reports for the period July 1, 2015 through January 31, 2016 are submitted for examination and acceptance.

- General Fund
- Capital Fund
- School Lunch Fund
- Special Aid Fund

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Joseph DiSibio, Trustee
SECONDER:	Lawrence Trogel, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Wyllie, Iadevaio, DiSibio, Trogel, Chiachiere

4. Budget Status Reports

The Budget Status Reports for the period July 1, 2015 through January 31, 2016 are submitted for examination and acceptance.

- General Fund
- Capital Fund
- School Lunch Fund
- Special Aid Fund

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Joseph DiSibio, Trustee
SECONDER:	Lawrence Trogel, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Wyllie, Iadevaio, DiSibio, Trogel, Chiachiere

5. **Extracurricular Fund Reports**

The Extracurricular Fund Reports for the month of December 2015 are submitted for examination and acceptance.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Joseph DiSibio, Trustee
SECONDER:	Lawrence Trogel, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Wyllie, Iadevaio, DiSibio, Trogel, Chiachiere

Informational items

1. **Schedule of Bills and Respective Reports of the Claims Auditor**
July 1, 2015-January 31, 2016

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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2. **Overnight Conference Attendance**
Staff (July 1, 2015-January 31, 2016)

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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3. **Conference Attendance**
Board of Education and Superintendent (July 1, 2015-January 31, 2016)

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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4. **District Reimbursements**
Board of Education and Superintendent (July 1, 2015-January 31, 2016)

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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5. **Meals and Refreshments**
(July 1, 2015-January 31, 2016)

RESULT:	DISCUSSED
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C. **Approval of Independent Auditing Services**

Be it resolved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, in accordance with the Board of Education policy 6700, that the Request for Proposal from D’Arcangelo & Co., LLP. for Independent Auditing Services be approved by the Board of Education at a cost of \$40,600. for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017. Services will commence February 2016. Cost will be split between the 2015/16 and 2016/17 fiscal years in accordance with services provided. (RFP#15/16-A11)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Joseph DiSibio, Trustee
SECONDER:	William P. Stris, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Wyllie, Iadevaio, DiSibio, Trogel, Chiachiere

D. Award of STAC Consultant Contract

Be it resolved, upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education hereby awards a consultant contract to Edgewater Consulting, LLC for the period beginning March 1, 2016 through February 28, 2017, in the amount of \$12,000, to provide support and professional development related to claiming State Aid for students with disabilities, non-resident billings and tuition rates for approved summer special education programs in accordance with state reporting requirements and authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute an agreement setting the terms and conditions of the consulting service. (RFP #15/16-B02)

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Joseph DiSibio, Trustee
SECONDER:	William P. Stris, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Wyllie, Iadevaio, DiSibio, Trogel, Chiachiere

E. Adoption of Smart Schools Investment Plan Resolution

WHEREAS, the New York State Smart Schools Bond Act of 2014 requires that the Valley Stream Central High School District (“District”) develop a Smart Schools Investment Plan to be submitted to the Smart Schools Review Board;

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has approved a preliminary Smart Schools Investment Plan, which been posted on the District’s website for at least thirty (30) days with an address to which any written comments on the Plan can be sent;

WHEREAS, the Board of Education conducted a hearing on January 9, 2016, which allowed all requisite stakeholders to respond to the preliminary Plan;

WHEREAS, following the hearing on January 9, 2016, the District prepared and submitted a Smart Schools Investment Plan for Board of Education approval; and

WHEREAS, the District has complied with all requisite legal requirements for development and approval of a Smart Schools Investment Plan.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby

approves the District’s Smart Schools Investment Plan and directs that this Plan be submitted to the Smart Schools Review Board.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Joseph DiSibio, Trustee
SECONDER:	Lawrence Trogel, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Wyllie, Iadevaio, DiSibio, Trogel, Chiachiere

Policy Committee

Old and New Business

A. Appeal of Student Suspension

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby denies the appeal of the parent of the student listed in Confidential Schedule "A" from the decision of the Superintendent to uphold the Principal's suspension and authorizes the District Clerk to issue a decision letter to the parents on behalf of the Board of Education.

Vice President Stewart voted no stating he did not feel there was enough information to exercise a vote and had serious concerns with this issue being discussed in public.

RESULT:	APPROVED [8 TO 1]
MOVER:	Joseph DiSibio, Trustee
SECONDER:	Lawrence Trogel, Trustee
AYES:	Stris, Pellicane, Lavery, Wyllie, Iadevaio, DiSibio, Trogel, Chiachiere
NAYS:	Cristobal Stewart

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 Stris, seconded by Trustee Trogel and carried unanimously, the Board adjourned at 8:45 pm.



Gina Zaccari
District Clerk