

# VALLEY STREAM CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT

## BOARD OF EDUCATION

MINUTES • JANUARY 13, 2015

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 7:15 p.m. and will re-enter Public Session at 8:00 PM.

<b>Attendee Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Arrived</b>
William P. Stris	Trustee	Present	
Lisa Pellicane	Trustee	Present	
Cristobal Stewart	Trustee	Present	
James Lavery	Trustee	Present	
Anthony Iadevaio	Trustee	Present	
Carolyn Torres	Trustee	Absent	
Jeanne Greco Jacobs	Vice President	Present	
Joseph DiSibio	Trustee	Present	
Lawrence Trogel	President	Present	

### **Meeting Opened**

Board President Trogel called the meeting to order at 7:15 pm. Upon motion of Trustee Stris, seconded by Trustee DiSibio 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 negotiation pursuant to Article 14 of the Civil Service law (The Taylor Law).

At 8:07 pm the Board came out of Executive Session and entered in Public Session.

President Trogel opened the meeting by thanking the community, students and staff as well as Dr. Heidenreich, his administrators and the elementary school district communities, for their support for all those involved in the horrible accident that occurred on December 11, 2014.

### **Call to Order**

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

### **Pledge of Allegiance**

#### **A. Moment of Silence in Remembrance of Memorial Junior High School Student Zachary Ranftle**

RESULT: DISCUSSED

### **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 webinars

Nassau Music Educators Association  
Invitation to their annual All County Music Festival

Nassau Suffolk School Boards Association  
Information regarding their annual conference

Holy Name of Mary  
A thank you letter for the District's donation of toys during the holiday season

**Minutes**

**A. Board of Education - Committee Meeting - Dec 2, 2014 8:00 PM**

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>ACCEPTED [UNANIMOUS]</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	William P. Stris, Trustee
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Lisa Pellicane, Trustee
<b>AYES:</b>	Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Iadevaio, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel
<b>ABSENT:</b>	Carolyn Torres

**B. Board of Education - Business Meeting - Dec 9, 2014 8:00 PM**

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

**New Business**

**A. Establishment of Standard Work Day for Elected and Appointed Officials**

Be it resolved, that the Valley Stream Central High School District hereby establishes the following as a standard work day for elected and appointed officials and will report the wages earned by these officials to the New York State and Local Employees' Retirement System based upon the time sheets submitted by these officials to the District's Personnel Office:

Title	Name	Social Security Number (Last 4 Digits)	Registration Number	Standard Work Day (Days/Month)	Term Begins/Ends	Participates in Employer's Time Keeping System (Y/N)	Days/Month (based on Records of Activities)

Elected Officials - None							
Appointed Officials							
District Clerk	Gina Zaccari	█	█	20	7/1/2014 - 6/30/2015	Y	NA

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

**Superintendent 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 2015-16, prepared in accordance with the agreement with the Valley Stream Teachers’ Association and the days of Religious Observance.

Dr. Heideinreich shared for the next school year, teachers and students will be returning prior to Labor Day. This calendar allows the District to keep the February recess in tact.

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

**B. Authorization to Ratify Agreement with the Valley Stream Nurses Assn.**

Be it resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby ratifies the Agreement with the Valley Stream Nurses Association, Registered Nurses' Unit dated January 13, 2015.

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

**C. 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 Central High School:

Donated by: John LaBarbera  
 Qty. One (1) Scoreboard

Value: \$6,800 (as estimated by donor)

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

### **Information and Exploration**

1. **Student Recognition – 2014 Siemens Competition in Math, Science & Technology - Winner**  
Central High School  
Yekaterina Mazalkova

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>DISCUSSED</b>
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2. **Student Recognition - National Achievement - Outstanding Participant**  
North High School  
Osariemen Ogbemudia

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>DISCUSSED</b>
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3. **Student Recognition - National Hispanic Recognition Program - National Hispanic Scholars**  
Central High School  
Kayla Diedrick  
  
South High School  
Vanesa Salinas

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>DISCUSSED</b>
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4. **Student Recognition - Athletics**  
**Central High School**  
**All County**  
Nataly Aguirre - Girls Soccer  
Priscilla Bell - Girls Soccer  
Jaime Quiroz - Boys Soccer  
Randi Ruderman - Girls Volleyball  
Ethan St. Fleur - Boys Volleyball  
John Weed - Boys Cross Country

**North High School**

**All County**

Gabriela Andrade - Girls Cross Country  
Thomas Canny - Football  
Brian Carroll - Football  
Nicholas Cason - Boys Cross Country  
Jake Catalano - Boys Cross Country  
Yamilee Eveillard - Girls Soccer  
Phillip Inguanta - Boys Cross Country  
Emily Martino - Girls Cross Country  
Julian Osorio - Boys Cross Country  
Peter Wilk - Boys Cross Country

**South High School****All County**

Michael Gordon - Boys Cross Country  
Julia Kielan - Girls Tennis  
Brian Morales - Boys Cross Country  
Katherine Shields - Girls Volleyball  
Marino Sorbara - Boys Soccer

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>DISCUSSED</b>
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**Attorney's Report****Education Committee****Resignation**

1. **School Monitor Resignation**  
Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee recommends acceptance of the following resignation:

Beatriz Gershman  
Effective: December 17, 2014  
Personal Reasons

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

**Appointments**

**1. Appointment of Substitute Assistant Superintendent for Personnel & Administration**

Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee recommends the appointment of Gloria O’Connor as a Substitute Assistant Superintendent for Personnel & Administration at the rate of \$800.00 per diem with no benefits.

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

**2. Appointment of Wellness Coordinator**

Be it resolved that Scott Stueber be appointed as Wellness Coordinator for 2014-2015.

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

**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:

Name	School	Step	Hourly Rate
Grace Meltzer	Central	1	\$10.80
To replace Beatriz Gershman			

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

4. **Appointment of Part Time Teacher Aide - Special Education**  
 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
Gabrielle Gavzie	Memorial	1	\$12.70

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

5. **Appointment of Part-Time Cleaner**  
 Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee recommends appointment of the following (pending verification of fingerprinting) as part-time cleaner at a rate of \$12.00 per hour without benefits:

Cleaner	Building
Kevin Munson	North

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

6. **Appointment of Part-Time Substitute Cleaner, 2014-15**  
 Having the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Committee recommends appointment of the following (pending verification of fingerprinting) as part-time substitute cleaner at a rate of \$12.00 per hour without benefits:

Robert Brown

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

7. **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:

Jean Borgella  
 Justine Gallagher  
 Stephanie Grigg

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

**Stipends/Salary Adjustments**

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

School	Staff Member	Activity	Effective	Stipend
Central	Amy Neuner	Major Musical Music Director	12/1/14-3/1/15	\$1,847.00
Central	Leonardo Fiorentino	Weight Room (Spring)	3/1/15 - 5/31/15	\$1,847.00

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

2. **Appointment of Adult Education Personnel, Spring 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 effective as noted on an as need basis to be determined by administration:

Instructor	Course	Hourly Rate
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Pearl Brummer	Senior Citizens Education Seminar	\$20.00
Michael Delia	Basic Drawing	\$25.00
JoAnne Devine	Exercise for Health	\$40.00
Doreen Gladstone	Intro to Excel	\$40.00
Darryl Granum	Zumba	\$25.00
Elaina Marku	Kundalini Yoga	\$40.00
Christina Mastroserio	Volleyball	\$32.50
Kathleen McCaffrey	American Sign Language	\$40.00
Timothy Murphy	Intro to Microsoft Office	\$30.00
John Perez	Piano	\$30.00
Barbara Siems	Yoga	\$35.00
Marion Stainkamp-Strobel	Cooking	\$25.00
Winnie Tsai	Chinese Painting	\$30.00
Maria Jose Vaca	Beginner Spanish	\$35.00
Michael Vita	Wine Appreciation	\$25.00

**RESULT:** APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]  
**MOVER:** Jeanne Greco Jacobs, Vice President  
**SECONDER:** Anthony Iadevaio, Trustee  
**AYES:** Stris, Pellicane, Stewart, Lavery, Iadevaio, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel  
**ABSENT:** 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, Iadevaio, Jacobs, DiSibio, Trogel  
**ABSENT:** 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
Haydee O'Connor	Memorial	LOTE	FMLA	12/3/14-12/18/14
Kelli Meier	South	Special Education	FMLA	1/5/15-1/27/15
Courtney Petratos	South	Science	FMLA	12/19/14-3/16/15

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>DISCUSSED</b>
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## **Business Report**

### **Financial Reports**

#### 1. **Treasurer's Report**

The Treasurer's report for the month of November 2014 is submitted for examination.

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

#### 2. **Budget Status Reports**

The Budget Status Reports for the period July 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 are submitted for examination and acceptance.

General Fund

Capital Fund

School Lunch Fund

Special Aid Fund

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

#### 3. **Trial Balance Reports**

The Trial Balance 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

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

#### 4. **Revenue Reports**

The Revenue Status Reports for the period July 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 are submitted for examination and acceptance.

General Fund  
Capital Fund  
School Lunch Fund  
Special Aid Fund

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

5. **Extracurricular Fund Reports**

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

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

**Informational items**

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

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>DISCUSSED</b>
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2. **Conference Attendance**  
Board of Education and Superintendent (July 1, 2014-December 31, 2014)

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>DISCUSSED</b>
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3. **Overnight Conference Attendance**  
Staff (July 1, 2014-December 31, 2014)

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>DISCUSSED</b>
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4. **District Reimbursements**  
Board of Education and Superintendent (July 1, 2014-December 31, 2014)

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>DISCUSSED</b>
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5. **Meals and Refreshments**  
(July 1, 2014-December 31, 2014)

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>DISCUSSED</b>
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C. **Budget Transfers**

Be it resolved, that upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Business Committee recommends the approval of budget transfers dated January 13, 2015 in accordance with Board Policy 6150.

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

**Policy Committee**

A. **Policies Recommended for Deletion on Second Reading**

The following policies are presented for deletion on second reading:

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

Dr. Heidenreich shared that these policies are being deleted in their current form to be rewritten to coincide with the Attorney General's new guidelines.

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>DISCUSSED</b>
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B. **Policies Recommended for Adoption as Revised on Second Reading**

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

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

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>DISCUSSED</b>
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**Old and New Business**

**Opportunity for Guests**

A parent spoke about the inappropriateness of confidential information posted on a social media by a Board Member. Specifically, a Board Member posted an email that the Superintendent shared with the Board containing confidential student information. The parent also stated that they have discussed this issue with the Superintendent and some Board members and they have been very understanding. President Trogel stated that the Board will use their best efforts to address this situation.

Another parent spoke about the lack of an athletic trainer at sporting events. She feels having one would help the children who are injured at a game.

**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 Stris and carried unanimously, the Board adjourned at 8:30 pm.



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Gina Zaccari  
District Clerk