

# AGENDA

## BOARD OF EDUCATION VALLEY STREAM SCHOOL DISTRICT 24

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BUSINESS MEETING  
January 22, 2025

WILLIAM L. BUCK SCHOOL

6:45 PM It is anticipated that the Board of Education will immediately consider a motion to enter executive session for purposes of discussing personnel and contractual matters and reconvene the public portion of the Business Meeting at 7:30.

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### **I. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM & CALL TO ORDER – PRESIDENT HERNANDEZ**

### **II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG**

### **III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** November 20, 2024, December 11, 2024, and January 8, 2025

### **IV. WELCOME TO VISITORS:** At this time the Board of Education welcomes questions or comments relative to the items on tonight's agenda.

### **V. CORRESPONDENCE REPORT– MS. JENNIE PADILLA, DISTRICT CLERK**

### **VI. SUPERINTENDENT REPORT – DR. UNAL KARAKAS**

### **PRESENTATIONS:**

RWC Student Presentation

### **VII. OTHER REPORTS:**

## **A. VALLEY STREAM CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

There are three delegates from Valley Stream UFSD Twenty-Four on the Central High School Board of Education: President Hernandez, Vice President Herrera, and Trustee Maier.

### **Residency Hotlines:**

Valley Stream School District	516-872-5677
Village of Valley Stream	516-592-5140
Town of Hempstead	516-584-5000

## **B. LEGISLATION REPORT - TRUSTEE NUÑEZ**

### **VIII. LIST OF ITEMS FOR ACTION:**

#### **A. PERSONNEL – VICE PRESIDENT HERRERA**

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education appoints Kim Conger, to serve as a Per Diem Committee on Special Education (CSE) Chairperson. This appointment is on a per diem basis for the 2024/2025 School Year, in accordance with the terms and conditions outlined in the agreement between the Board of Education and Kim Conger and authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate same, subject to review by counsel.

2. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Flor De Lourdes Benites, as a School Monitor Part-Time, effective January 23, 2025, pending civil service clearance, replacing Adriana Pachas. Compensation for this appointment will be Step 1 in accordance with the agreement between the District and the United Public Service Employees Union (UPSEU).

3. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Ana Salazar, as a School Monitor Part-Time, effective January 23, 2025, pending fingerprint and civil service clearance, replacing Rachael Kolakowski-Aiello. Compensation for this appointment will be Step 1 in accordance with the agreement between the District and the United Public Service Employees Union (UPSEU).

4. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Shaista Mughal, as a School Monitor Part-Time, effective January 23, 2025, pending fingerprint and civil service clearance, replacing Memoona Manzoor. Compensation for this appointment will be Step 1 in accordance with the agreement between the District and the United Public Service Employees Union (UPSEU).

5. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following Salary Changes, effective February 1, 2025:

Nicole Barci	Step 7.5	MA + 15
Lisa Bernstein	Step 4	MA + 60
Leighanne Jaronczyk	Step 3	BA + 15
Ashleigh Jones	Step 3	MA + 45
Vivian Ramirez	Step 5	MA + 15
Naomi Rashad	Step 4	MA + 30
Traci Ritterband	Step 5	MA + 45
Julia Sollin	Step 6	MA + 15
Dr. Carol Wright	Step 21	EDD

6. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following additions to the per diem substitute list for the 2024-2025 School Year:

**SUBSTITUTE TEACHER**

Miriam Kizelnik (effective January 23, 2024)

7. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves a leave of absence for medical purposes for Vanessa O'Shea, Elementary Classroom Teacher, on or around January 6, 2025, until on or around February 3, 2025.

8. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves a leave of absence for maternity/childcare purposes for Ariana Arnone, Elementary Classroom Teacher, on or around March 27, 2025, until on or around June 20, 2025.

9. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves a leave of absence for paternity/childcare purposes for Philip Testa, Physical Education Teacher, on or around April 5, 2025, until on or around May 12, 2025.

10. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves a leave of absence for maternity/childcare purposes for Stephanie Shapiro, Elementary Classroom Teacher, on or around April 20, 2025, until on or around June 27, 2025.

11. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby terminates the employment of the employee identified on confidential Schedule “A”, effective close of business January 22, 2025.

12. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Michelle Evans-Cornish, Temporary Substitute, effective close of business January 3, 2025.

13. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Fatiha Fathy, Full-Time Cafeteria Aide, effective close of business December 20, 2024.

14. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the resignation for the purpose of retirement dated January 2, 2025 of Katherine Giannone, Full-Time Cafeteria Aide, with the resignation effective close of business February 7, 2025.

15. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the resignation for the purpose of retirement dated January 6, 2025 of James Nicholes, Assistant Head Custodian, with the resignation effective close of business March 28, 2025.

## **B. EDUCATION – TRUSTEE MAIER**

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accepts the confidential recommendations of the Committee on Pre-School Special Education previously approved by the Committee on Pre-School Special Education on 01/07/2025, 01/07/2024, 12/03/2024, 12/19/2024, 11/21/2024, 01/06/2025 and 12/17/2024, pertaining to students being considered for pre-school special education services as set forth in a schedule

provided to the Board of Education and the Board of Education hereby approves and ratifies said recommendations of the Committee on Pre-School Special Education.

2. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accepts the confidential recommendations of the Committee on Special Education previously approved by the Committee on Special Education on 12/17/2024, 11/26/2024, 11/25/2024, 12/02/2024, 11/26/2024, 12/05/2024, 12/19/2024, 11/21/2024, 11/26/2024, 12/18/2024, 12/17/2024, 01/03/2025, 12/05/2024, 12/12/2024, 12/02/2024, 12/03/2024, 12/18/2024, 12/12/2024, 01/06/2025, 11/22/2024, 11/21/2024, 12/10/2024, 12/03/2024 and 12/17/2024, pertaining to students being considered for special education services as set forth in a schedule provided to the Board of Education and the Board of Education hereby approves and ratifies said recommendations of the Committee on Special Education.

**C. FINANCE – TRUSTEE WILSON**

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board hereby accepts the Treasurer's Report, Collateral Report, Appropriation Status Report, Revenue Status Report, Trial Balance for November 2024 and the Claims Auditor's Report for December 2024.

**D. POLICY - TRUSTEE WHEELER**

**IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS, IF ANY:**

**X. NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts the School Calendar for the 2025-2026 school year.

2. **WHEREAS**, the Commissioner of Education notified school districts on November 26, 2024 of their option to elect not to participate in the regionalization planning process by submitting written notification by January 15, 2025 to the State Education Department,

**NOW, THEREFORE**, it is resolved that the Board of Education ratifies the action of the Superintendent of Schools in submitting written notification to the State Education Department on January 9, 2025 of the District's election not to participate in the regionalization planning process.

3. **BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Education hereby amends the calendar of business meetings to change the March 26, 2025 business meeting to March 19, 2025.

4. **BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Education hereby approves the amended Budget Calendar for the 2024-2025 School Year.

5. **WHEREAS**, equipment has been determined to be broken, surplus and/or obsolete, and

**WHEREAS**, it is in the best interest of the School District to dispose of such broken, surplus and/or obsolete equipment, therefore

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that such broken, surplus and/or obsolete equipment will be disposed of in a manner that services the best interest of the Valley Stream Union Free School District Twenty-Four, and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that the Superintendent of Schools, or his designee is hereby authorized to proceed with the disposal of the following items:

<u>Barcode</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Building</u>
2296	Broken Cart (Lab Cabby)	WLB
2299	Broken Cart (Lab Cabby)	WLB
2466	Broken Cart (Lab Cabby)	BAS

6. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the following Budget Transfers for the 2024-2025 School Year.

VALLEY STREAM UFSD #24

### TRANSFER BUDGET CODES OVER \$ 10,000

	<b>BUDGET TRANSFER FOR BOARD APPROVAL</b>		
	<b>DATE: January 22, 2025</b>		
<b>CODE</b>	<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>
A1621.450-2	Materials & Supplies-RWC	\$ 750.00	
A1621.456-92	Plumbing Supplies-RWC		\$ 750.00
	<b>Plumbing Materials for RWC</b>		
	<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 750.00</b>	<b>\$ 750.00</b>

**XI. DISCUSSION**

**XII. AUDIENCE TO VISITORS**

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**