

VALLEY STREAM SCHOOL DISTRICT 24
BOARD OF EDUCATION

Minutes

August 24, 2016

The Work Session was called to order by President Pellicane at 6:07 PM.

Motion: Trustee LaRocco, seconded by Vice President Maier to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing negotiations, the employment history of particular persons, issues involving particular students, seeking legal advice from the Board's Attorney at 6:10 PM.

7:04 PM, Attorney Cohen entered executive session along with Jack Mitchell Director of Finance and Operations.

Executive session was adjourned at 8:00 PM. Regular work session was resumed.

Classroom and teacher assignments were discussed and letters can now be sent home to parents.

The Board discussed changing voting procedures at large to particular seat in order to do this a proposition must be passed this matter will be further discussed. A vote was taken as follows:

President Pellicane: yes
Vice President Maier: yes
Trustee DePace: absent
Trustee Hernandez: yes
Trustee Iadevaio: absent
Trustee LaRocco: yes
Trustee Wheeler: yes

Trustee Wheeler brought up doing away with the PTA purchasing dinner for the Board Recognition Day, they will continue with the students making items for the Board. All agreed.

Agenda was reviewed.

Buffalo Convention discussed, Dr. Fale feels that at least one person should attend convention dates are Oct 26 to 29, Trustee Hernandez agreed to go.

REFIT Membership was discussed Dr. Fale felt that there was no benefit to renew.

Work session Meeting adjourned at 8:30 PM.

President Pellicane called the meeting to order at 8:35 PM.

Members Present: Trustee Hernandez, Trustee LaRocco, Vice President Maier, President Pellicane and Trustee Wheeler.

Members Absent with prior notice: Trustee DePace, and Trustee Iadevaio

Others Present: Superintendent Dr. Fale, Dr. Lisa Conte, Mr. Jack Mitchell, and Attorney Mara Harvey.

President Pellicane led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion: Vice President Maier, seconded by Trustee Hernandez to approve the Minutes of July 6 and July 19, 2016. Motion unanimously carried.

President Pellicane, welcomed visitors and introduced Laura Peterson the new Director of Special Education and advised that if there were any questions or comments relevant to tonight's meeting the audience should fill out a card and give to the District Clerk.

District Clerk, Lana Plinto advised that correspondence was received from three employees for resignation.

Dr. Fale welcomed audience and he introduced Dr. Conte to present the Student Test data and a Comprehensive District Educational Plan. She showed the audience a power-point presentation.

PERSONNEL

Motion to move the entire agenda by consent, Vice President Maier seconded by Trustee Hernandez.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the resignation letter of **Meghan Carey**, as a part-time Physical Education Teacher, effective, August 31, 2016. Motion unanimously carried.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education, pursuant to Education Law and in compliance with Part 30.3 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, does hereby appoint

Elizabeth Moriarty
Elementary Physical Education Teacher (Part-time .5)
Effective September 1, 2016.

Compensation will be in accordance with the current negotiated agreement between the Valley Stream Teachers' Association and the Board of Education as follows: Step 1/ BA + 45. Motion unanimously carried.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the resignation letter of

Kim Latremore
Part-time cafeteria aide in the District
Effective August 8, 2016.

Motion unanimously carried.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the resignation letter of

Monju Sadukha
Part-time lunch monitor in the District
Effective August 12, 2016.

Motion unanimously carried.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the permanent appointment of

**Marie Walsh
Registered Nurse (School Nurse), a Civil Service
appointment
Effective September 26, 2016.**

Mrs. Walsh is on a 26-week probationary appointment (commencing on March 28, 2016) which will expire on September 26, 2016. Motion unanimously carried.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, The Board of Education adds the following to the per diem substitute list for the 2016-2017 school year: **Anna Amiel, Lawrence Brenner, Marlene Coyle, Stephen Franzino, Megan Goldhammer, Carolyn Gugliero, Shirley Hanein, Teresa Iadevaio, Shaista Jabeen, Jennifer Jacoby, Ann Jeffrey-Wilensky, Victoria Lorig, Matthew Mecca, Alida Pesola, Maud Pierre, Richard Pitteli, Danielle Rossetti, Amanda Whitney and the following as substitute nurses: Elisa Cheung, Susan Faber, Angela Moreno, Lee Ann Pallisco and Melissa Power.** Motion unanimously carried.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the following salary changes:

Chelsea Cittadino	-	Step 3, MA+60
Jessica Garfinkel	-	Step 3, MA+45
Shira Greenblatt	-	Step 6, MA+60
Deborah Murray	-	Step 10, MA+15
Richard Roth	-	Step 11, MA+45
Joseph Schumpf	-	Step 8, MA+30

Motion unanimously carried.

EDUCATION

The Board of Education accepts the recommendations of the Committee on Pre-School Special Education, pertaining to students being considered for pre-school special education services and the Board approves and ratifies the recommendations of the Committee on Pre-School Special Education presented for child #: 442301933, 442301972, 442302021, 442302024, 442302032, and 442302034. Motion unanimously carried.

The Board of Education accepts the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education, pertaining to students being considered for special education services and the Board approves and ratifies the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education presented for child #: 442301520, 442301352, 442302041, 442302040, 442302087, 442301371, 432100040, 442301305, 442301866, and 442302043. Motion unanimously carried.

FINANCE

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board shall accept the Treasurer's Report, Interest Report, Collateral Report, Appropriation Status Report, Revenue Status Report, Trial Balance Report, Cash Flow Report and Internal Claims Report for June, 2016. Motion unanimously carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS, IF ANY - None

NEW BUSINESS

That Dr. Edward Fale and Dr. Lisa Conte are hereby certified as Qualified Lead Evaluators of Valley Stream UFSD #24 (classroom teachers/building principals) having successfully completed the training requirements prescribed in 8 NYCRR Sec 30-2.9(b):

- (a) The New York State Teaching Standards, and their related elements and performance indicators/the Leadership Standards and their related functions;
- (b) Evidence-based observation techniques that are grounded in research;
- (c) Application and use of the student growth percentile model and the value-added growth model as defined in 8 NYCRR Sec 30-2.2;
- (d) Application and use of the State approved rubrics selected by the Valley Stream UFSD Twenty-Four for use in the evaluation of classroom teachers/building principals, including training on the effective application of such rubric to observe classroom teacher's building principal's practice;
- (e) Application and use of the assessment tools that the Valley Stream UFSD and BOCES utilizes to evaluate its classroom teacher/building principals, including but not limited to structured

- portfolio reviews; student, parent, teacher, community feedback/
professional growth goals*; school improvement goals, etc.;
- (f) Application and use of the State approved locally selected measures of student achievement used by the Valley Stream UFSD Twenty-Four to evaluate its classroom teachers/principals;
 - (g) The scoring methodology utilized by the Department and the Valley Stream UFSD Twenty-Four to evaluate a classroom teacher/building principal under 8NYCRR Sec 30-2, including:
 1. How scores are generated for each subcomponent and the composite effectiveness score of classroom teachers/building principals, and
 2. Application and use of the scoring ranges prescribed by the Commissioner for the designated rating categories used for the overall rating of classroom teachers/principals and their subcomponent ratings; and
 - (h) Specific considerations in evaluating classroom teachers/building principals of English language learners and students with disabilities.

Training on the use of the Statewide Instructional Reporting System, also required by 8NYCRR Sec 30-2.9 (b), will be provided once the NYS Education Department makes available the information required for such training.

This certification has been issued in accordance with the process for certifying lead evaluators described in the Valley Stream UFSD Twenty-Four's annual professional performance review plan.

**Professional growth goals constitute one of the assessment tools available for the evaluation of classroom teachers under the "other measures of effectiveness" subcomponent of annual professional performance reviews conducted during the 2016-2017 school year only. Motion unanimously carried.*

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the tuition contract Summer 2016 session, at the tuition rate of \$6,890 per pupil and, if indicated on IEP, a 1:1 aide per pupil at the rate of \$3,198; and the 10-month School Year for 2016-2017, at the tuition rate of \$41,802 and, if indicated on IEP, a 1:1 aide per pupil at the rate of \$19,184, with Variety Child

Learning Center, according to rates set by the NYS Education Department. Motion unanimously carried.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education authorizes its President to sign the Health & Welfare Service Agreement with the Long Beach Public Schools (HALB) for services provided for one student for the 2015-2016 school year at a cost of \$656.63 per year. Motion unanimously carried.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Comprehensive District Education Plan for 2016-2019. Motion unanimously carried.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Special Education Plan for 2016-2018. Motion unanimously carried.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the disposal of the 2000 Harcourt Reading Series materials. Motion unanimously carried.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board authorizes the President to approve and sign the contract for services from Homecare therapies LLC/dba Horizon Healthcare Staffing, for the 2016-2017 school year, as needed in accordance with their agreement. Motion unanimously carried.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board authorizes the President to approve and sign the Contract Addendum for Vision Service with New York Therapy Placement Services, Inc./Kids, for the school years 2016-2021. Motion unanimously carried.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves Special Education tuition for one student, (foster child), as per New York State Education Department, for an estimated Non-resident tuition for the 2015-2016 school year, at the rate of \$36,367. Motion unanimously carried.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board President to execute the Utility Easement with New York American Water Company, Inc., as reviewed and approved by the School Attorney, necessary to implement and maintain the previously approved Geothermal Systems Project at the William L. Buck School. Motion unanimously carried.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the change in the District's Student Accident Policy from the QBE carrier (Current Plan) to AIG Insurance for the 2016-2017 school year at a cost of \$3,535. Motion unanimously carried.

WHEREAS, on or about July 5, 2015, the District overpaid a former teacher for their accrued sick leave; and

NOW, THEREFORE, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and District legal counsel,

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that Lamb & Barnosky, LLP, as the District's legal counsel, is hereby authorized to commence an action against the former teacher to recover all monies overpaid to their in connection with the payment of their accrued sick leave on or about July 5, 2015. Motion unanimously carried.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the budget transfer for the Teachers' Retirement System bill to adjust the estimated amount previously approved, so that all expenditures are in line with the 2015-2016 school year budget, as follows:

CODE	DESCRIPTION	FROM	TO
A9060.8	Hosp & Med Insurance	\$18,213.55	
A9020.8	Teachers Retirement		\$18,213.55

Motion unanimously carried.

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves Transportation Contracts for the 2016-2017 school year. (See attached). The amounts indicated are approximate, awaiting receipt of bills and adjustments.

A parent brought up the safety at Summer School Music Program that certain doors were left open for deliveries and that another program was going on in the building and the program director did not know where certain students were in the building or that parents were called.

Adjourn

On the motion of Armando Hernandez, seconded by John Maier and carried unanimously, the Board adjourned at 9:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Lana Plinto

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District Clerk