

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF EDUCATION**

JULY 6, 2016

Following Reorganization Meeting

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Education immediately followed the Reorganization Meeting.

President Pellicane called the meeting to order at 10:30 PM.

The Board tabled the CDEP Presentation by Dr. Conte for the August 24th meeting.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace for a Consent Agenda for the entire Agenda:

The Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Edward Fale thanked Mr. Trogel for doing an excellent job as Board President. He congratulated Mrs. Pellicane and Mr. Maier as the new Board Officers. He also welcomed Mrs. Wheeler to the Board.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace to approve the minute from the June 15, 2016 meeting. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion, John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves Charles Brocher to permanent status as a Supervisor of School Facilities and Operations, from Exam #64-060, effective August, 5, 2016. Mr. Brocher's probationary 26 week appointment will expire on August 5, 2016. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education appoints Allison Smithwick, who holds certification as an Elementary Classroom Teacher, effective September 1, 2016, for a four year probationary period in the Elementary Classroom Teacher Education tenure area. This probationary period will expire on August 31, 2020, subject to the requirements of the Education Law and the Rules of the Board of Regents and is pending fingerprint clearance, if applicable, and unless terminated prior thereto in accordance with the New York Education Law. Compensation will be in accordance with the agreement between Valley Stream Teachers' Association (VSTA) and the Board of Education, at Sept 1, BA. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education appoints Jessica Correale, who holds certification as an Elementary Classroom Teacher, effective September 1, 2016, for a four year probationary period in the Elementary Classroom Teacher Education tenure area. This probationary period will expire on August 31, 2020, subject to the requirements of the Education Law and the Rules of the Board of Regents and is pending fingerprint clearance, if applicable, and unless terminated prior thereto in accordance with the New York Education Law. Compensation will be in accordance with the agreement between Valley Stream Teachers' Association (VSTA) and the Board of Education, at Step 2, MA. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education appoints Kaithlyn Gillespie, who holds certification as Special Education Teacher, effective September 1, 2016, for a Special Education Leave Replacement position for Mrs. Amy Rappaport until her return, but no later than June 30, 2017. Compensation will be in accordance with the agreement between the Valley Stream Teachers Association (VSTA) and the Board of Education at Step 1 MA. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education appoints Leigh Nahman, who holds certification as an Elementary Classroom Teacher, effective September 1, 2016, for a Elementary Classroom Leave Replacement position for Mrs. Nicole Foster until her return, but no later than June 30, 2017. Compensation will be in accordance with the agreement between the Valley Stream Teachers Association (VSTA) and the Board of Education, at Step 1, MA. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following to work as summer school aides, at the appropriate rate of pay, as per the agreement between the Valley Stream School District 24 and the United Public Service Employees Union (UPSEU): Theresa Cook and Renee Nelson. Remove Bibi Razack from the list of aides already approved in June. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, 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 recommendation of the Committee on Pre-School Special Education presented for child #: 442301972; 442302023; 442302032; and 442302034. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, 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 recommendation of the Committee on Special Education presented for child #: 442301572; 442302030; 442302022; 442300968; 442300382; 442300721; 442300949; 442300968; 442300723; 442301836; 442301923; 442301613; 442301937; and 442301311. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, 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 and Internal Claims Report and Cash Flow Report for May, 2016. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Comprehensive District Education Plan ("CDEP") for 2016-2019. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Tax Levy for the 2016-2017 school year in the amount of \$40,114,502. \$ 20,149,365 of this amount is levied upon the Valley Stream High School District. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education ratifies the attached Settlement Agreement and Release in the hybrid Article 78 proceeding and declaratory judgment action commenced on behalf of the District in the Supreme Court, County of Nassau, under Index Number 708/2016 (LIPA PILOT case), and authorizes the Board President or Vice President to execute same. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves that the Services Agreement for the fiscal year July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016 entered into between the Valley Stream School District and The Omni Group ("OMNI"), is hereby reinstated for the fiscal year July 1, 2016 – June 30, 2017, at a fee not to exceed \$2,004.00. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and the Board of Education, the cost of school meals provided for students by Preferred Meals for the 2016-2017 school year is set as follows:

Breakfast Grab and Go - \$2.00 per pupil
Lunch - \$3.00 per pupil per day
The cost of milk only - \$.25 per container

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board authorizes the Superintendent to certify that the District has adopted a "Property Tax Relief Credit" as required under the Real Property Tax Law #606(N-1). Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to make all required additional transfers in the 2015-2016 Budget in order to reconcile the General Fund for the 2015-2016 year. (A copy of said Budget Transfers is attached to this Agenda). Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board authorizes the President to approve and sign the contract between the District and Zycron Industries for the 2016-2017 School Year for Medicaid Loss Prevention Services. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board authorizes the President to approve the agreement with Seneca Consulting Group for the 2016-2017 school year at a fee of \$15,500. If additional consulting outside of the Scope of Services is required the charge will be \$285.00 per hour. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board authorizes the President to approve and sign the contract for nurse services from Veehop Nursing Agency, LLC., for the 2016-2017 school year, for a child receiving Special Education services, at the rate of \$50 per hour for LPN services on school bus for a minimum of four (4) hours daily, five (5) days per week, or on the basis of the number of days the student is present in school. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board authorizes the President to approve and sign the contract for nurse services from Home Care for Children, Inc., for the 2016-2017 school year, for designated students requiring nursing services, at the rate of \$54 per hour for RN services, and \$49 per hour for LPN services.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the following transportation contracts for the Summer 2016 school year. These amounts are approximate awaiting bills and adjustments:

<u>Company</u>	<u>School</u>	<u># of Students</u>	<u>Summer Cost</u>	<u>Matron</u>
Veterans Transport	WLB	(2)	\$49.00 pppd x 2 For 19 Days	

TOTAL ESTIMATED SUMMER COST - \$1,862.00

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves and signs the 2016-2017 school year contract with School for Language and Communication Development for services provided in accordance with the New York State Education Department Rate Setting Unit. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the agreement for Health Services for three (3) students attending Brandeis School in the Lawrence School District for the 2015-2016 school year at a cost of \$545.83 per student for a total cost of \$1,637.49. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves and signs the Health & Welfare Services Contract with the East Rockaway School District for 2015-2016, for six (6) students at a cost of \$1,074.07 per student for a total cost of \$6,444.42. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded by Paul DePace, that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent of Schools of the Valley Stream Union Free School District 24, in the County of Nassau, New York, to:

- Allocate funds to the Unassigned Fund Balance which is limited to 4% of the 2016-2017 budget.
- Replenish the reserve funds utilized in the current fiscal year from the ERS reserve, approximately \$330,000.
- Replenish the reserve funds utilized in the current fiscal year from the EBALR Reserve (limited to the associated liability for the associated costs) approximately \$165,000.
- Allocate the balance of funds available (if any) to the ERS Reserve- Amount to be determined.

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion: John Maier, seconded Paul DePace, that the Board hereby agrees that the following employees may rollover the corresponding number of unused 2015-2016 vacation days into the 2016-2017 school year. The days must be used or lost by June 30, 2017 and all leave procedures set forth in the employee's salary agreements must be followed. There will be no further rollover permitted of unused vacation days for any reason:

Jack Mitchell	-	5 days
Charlie Brocher	-	10 days
Lisa Conte	-	10 days

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion John Maier, seconded by Anthony Iadevaio, to enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing matters leading to the appointment of a particular person. The meeting was adjourned at 11:05 PM to enter into Executive Session.

Respectfully Submitted,

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