

AGENDA

BOARD OF EDUCATION VALLEY STREAM SCHOOL DISTRICT 24

BUSINESS MEETING
June 5, 2024

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 PM.

I. DETERMINATION OF QUORUM & CALL TO ORDER – PRESIDENT LAROCCO

II. SALUTE TO THE FLAG

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: May 8, 2024, May 15, 2024, and May 21, 2024.

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:

Elks Award
Presidential Awards
Recognition of Tenure
Years of Service Recognitions
Recognition of Retirees

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: Vice President Hernandez, Trustee Maier and Trustee Herrera.

Residency Hotlines:

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| 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 HERNANDEZ

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, the Board of Education hereby approves the attached First Addendum to the employment agreement with Jennie L. Padilla relative to a stipend for the Annual Budget Vote and authorizes the Board President to execute same.
2. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby approves the attached First Addendum to Dr. Unal Karakas' Employment Agreement as Superintendent of Schools for the period of July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2026, and authorizes the Board President to execute same.
3. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the irrevocable letter of resignation of Evelyn Morales, School Monitor Part-Time, dated May 16, 2024, effective immediately.
4. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of School, the Board of Education approves the following to be assigned as custodial summer helpers concluding on August 30, 2024, or earlier at the discretion of the Board of Education, at the appropriate rate/scale of pay according to salary set by Board of Education:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Effective Date</u> |
|-------------------|---|
| Joseph Casey | June 17, 2024 |
| Michael Hopkin | June 17, 2024 |
| Liam Gattis | June 27, 2024 |
| Sean Mylan | June 27, 2024 |
| Jake Mylan | June 27, 2024 |
| Sean Lengyel | June 27, 2024 |
| Brandon Posliqua | June 27, 2024 (Pending Civil Service and Fingerprint Clearance) |
| Aaron Daniels | June 27, 2024 (Pending Civil Service and Fingerprint Clearance) |
| Gerard Candelario | June 27, 2024 (Pending Civil Service and Fingerprint Clearance) |
| John Glasser | June 27, 2024 (Pending Civil Service and Fingerprint Clearance) |
| Nassir Emmanuel | June 27, 2024 (Pending Civil Service and Fingerprint Clearance) |
| Samuel Mignott | June 27, 2024 (Pending Civil Service and Fingerprint Clearance) |
| John Mignott | July 1, 2024 |

5. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of School, the Board of Education approves the following to work as a Teacher Aide/Door Monitor Summer Program (security desk) 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):

Corliss Danas
Margaret Sommella

6. **WHEREAS**, the Board of Education previously appointed Jonathan Melendez to the Civil Service position of Cleaner;

WHEREAS, based upon communications between District Administration and Civil Service, the Superintendent recommends that Jonathan Melendez be appointed as provisional Custodian pending passage of a promotional exam to be offered by Civil Service at a future date;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that Jonathan Melendez is hereby appointed as a provisional Custodian pending passage of the next promotional exam offered by Civil Service at a future date at the lateral rate of compensation set forth in the collective bargaining agreement with the Local 74, United Service Workers Union, and

BE IT FURTHER REOLVED, that said provisional appointment and lateral rate of compensation shall be effective as of July 1, 2024 (pending Civil Service clearance); and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in the event the aforementioned employee does not pass said promotional exam when offered by Civil Service, the employee will immediately revert to the position of Cleaner and be compensated at the previous rate of Cleaner effective as of the date the District receives notice the employee did not pass said promotional exam.

7. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves Katarina Sloboda, a probationary Elementary Classroom Teacher in this District, in compliance with the provisions of Education Law Section #3012 and Part 30-1 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, having been appointed to such position by resolution of this Board effective May 27, 2020, be granted tenure as an Elementary Classroom Teacher. It having been shown that Katarina Sloboda holds a valid New York State Public School Teacher Certificate for Early Childhood Education (Birth-Grade 2) and Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), and permitting service as indicated in the public schools of the State of New York. It further having been shown that Katarina Sloboda's probationary service, which will expire on August 31, 2024, was competent, efficient and satisfactory. The Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District Twenty-Four does hereby grant tenure and appoint tenure to Katarina Sloboda, effective September 1, 2024, to the position of Elementary Classroom Teacher.

8. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves Ariana Arnone, a probationary Elementary Classroom Teacher in this District, in compliance with the provisions of Education Law Section #3012 and Part 30-1 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, having been appointed to such position by resolution of this Board effective May 27, 2020, be granted tenure as an Elementary Classroom Teacher. It having been shown that Ariana Arnone holds a valid New York State Public School Teacher Certificate for Early Childhood Education (Birth-Grade 2) and Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), and permitting service as indicated in the public schools of the State of New York. It further having been shown that Ariana Arnone's probationary service, which will expire on August 31, 2024, was competent, efficient and satisfactory. The Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District Twenty-Four does hereby grant tenure and appoint tenure to Ariana Arnone, effective September 1, 2024, to the position of Elementary Classroom Teacher.

9. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves Ashley Goldman, a probationary Elementary Classroom Teacher in this District, in compliance with the provisions of Education Law Section #3012 and Part 30-1 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, having been appointed to such position by resolution of this Board effective August 26, 2020, be granted tenure as an Elementary Classroom Teacher. It having been shown that Ashley Goldman holds a valid New York State Public School Teacher Certificate for Early Childhood Education (Birth-Grade 2), Childhood Education (Grades 1-6) and Students with Disabilities (Grades 1-6), and permitting service as indicated in the public schools of the State of New York. It further having been shown that Ashley Goldman's probationary service, which will expire on August 31, 2024, was competent, efficient and satisfactory. The Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District Twenty-Four does hereby grant tenure and appoint tenure to Ashley Goldman, effective September 1, 2024, to the position of Elementary Classroom Teacher.

10. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves Elizabeth Moriarty-Supple, a probationary Physical Education Teacher in this District, in compliance with the provisions of Education Law Section #3012 and Part 30-1 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, having been appointed to such position by resolution of this Board effective August 18, 2020, be granted tenure as a Physical Education Teacher. It having been shown that Elizabeth Moriarty-Supple holds a valid New York State Public School Teacher Certificate for Physical Education, and permitting service as indicated in the public schools of the State of New York. It further having been shown that Elizabeth Moriarty-Supple's probationary service, which will expire on August 31, 2024, was competent, efficient and satisfactory. The Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District Twenty-Four does hereby grant tenure and appoint tenure to Elizabeth Moriarty-Supple, effective September 1, 2024, to the position of Physical Education Teacher.

11. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves Nicole Barci, a probationary Art Teacher in this District, in compliance with the provisions of Education Law Section #3012 and Part 30-1 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, having been appointed to such position by resolution of this Board effective August 18, 2020, be granted tenure as an Art Teacher. It having been shown that Nicole Barci holds a valid New York State Public School Teacher Certificate for Visual Arts and Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), and permitting service as indicated in the public schools of the State of New York. It further having been shown that Nicole Barci's probationary service, which will expire on August 31, 2024, was competent, efficient and satisfactory. The Board of Education of the

Valley Stream Union Free School District Twenty-Four does hereby grant tenure and appoint tenure to Nicole Barci, effective September 1, 2024, to the position of Art Teacher.

12. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves Traci Ritterband, a probationary School Psychologist in this District, in compliance with the provisions of Education Law Section #3012 and Part 30-1 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, having been appointed to such position by resolution of this Board effective August 18, 2020, be granted tenure as a School Psychologist. It having been shown that Traci Ritterband holds a valid New York State Public School Teacher Certificate for School Psychologist, and permitting service as indicated in the public schools of the State of New York. It further having been shown that Traci Ritterband's probationary service, which will expire on August 31, 2024, was competent, efficient and satisfactory. The Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District Twenty-Four does hereby grant tenure and appoint tenure to Traci Ritterband, effective September 1, 2024, to the position of School Psychologist.

B. EDUCATION – TRUSTEE WILSON

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 05/16/2024, 04/19/2024, 05/10/2024, and 05/16/2024 for the 2023/2024 School Year and 02/26/2024, 04/19/2024, 05/16/2024, 05/16/2024, 05/06/2024, 05/02/2024, 05/10/2024, 04/19/2024, and 04/17/2024 for the 2024/2025 School Year, 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 02/27/2024 and 05/10/2024 for the 2023/2024 School Year and 02/29/2024, 02/29/2024, 04/04/2024, 03/21/2024, 03/22/2024, 04/04/2024, 03/22/2024, 03/11/2024, 05/10/2024, 02/27/2024, 03/05/2024, 05/10/2024, 03/18/2024, 03/18/2024, 02/08/2024, and 03/04/2024 for the 2024/2025 School Year, 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 MAIER

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

D. POLICY - TRUSTEE WHEELER

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education reviews and adopts the following revised policies:

- Policy 3100 - Fiscal Controls
- Policy 3120 - Fiscal Accounting & Reporting
- Policy 3160 - Budget Transfers
- Policy 3170 - On-Line Banking Services
- Policy 3260 - Disposal of Broken/Surplus/Obsolete District property
- Policy 3290 - Investments
- Policy 3291 - Fixed Asset Accounting
- Policy 3292 - Fund Balance & Reserves
- Policy 3300 - Petty Cash
- Policy 3301 - Purchasing
- Policy 3325 - School District Issued Credit Cards
- Policy 3400 - Authorized Signatures
- Policy 3410 - Claims Auditor
- Policy 3420 - Independent/External Audits
- Policy 3600 - Payroll Procedures
- Policy 5141 - Concussion Management

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS, IF ANY:

X. NEW BUSINESS:

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that pursuant to Section 1707(2) of the Education Law, and Board Policy 9400, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the annual organizational meeting will be held on July 8, 2024 at 7:30 P.M.

2. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the Agreements between the District and Successful Practices Network for consultant services for the 2024-2025 School Year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate same on behalf of the Board of Education.

3. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the Agreement between the District and Access 7 Services, Inc. for Special Education Services for the 2024-2025 School Year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate same on behalf of the Board of Education.

4. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the Agreement between the District and Achieve Beyond for Special Education Services for the 2024-2025 School Year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate same on behalf of the Board of Education.

5. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the Agreement between the District and All About Kids for Special Education Services for the 2024-2025 School Year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate same on behalf of the Board of Education.

6. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the Agreement between the District and Kidz Educational Services for Special Education and

Behavioral Services for the 2024-2025 School Year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate same on behalf of the Board of Education.

7. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the Agreement between the District and Kids First Evaluation & Advocacy Center for Special Education Services for the 2024-2025 School Year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate same on behalf of the Board of Education.

8. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the Agreement between the District and Valley Stream District Thirty for Tuition for the 2024-2025 School Year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate same on behalf of the Board of Education.

9. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the Agreement between the District and Carle Place UFSD for Tuition for the 2024-2025 School Year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate same on behalf of the Board of Education.

10. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the Agreement between the District and Michele Tritschler MSCCC for Speech and Language Services for the 2024-2025 School Year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate same on behalf of the Board of Education.

11. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the Agreement between the District and Daniel S. Weinkauf, PT for Special Education Services for the 2024-2025 School Year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate same on behalf of the Board of Education.

12. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the Agreement between the District and New York therapy Placement Services, Inc. for Special

Education Services for the 2024-2025 School Year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate same on behalf of the Board of Education.

13. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the Agreement between the District and The Hagedorn Little Village School for Tuition for the 2024-2025 School Year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate same on behalf of the Board of Education.

14. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the Agreement between the District and Trusting Hands Homecare Agency for Special Education Services for the 2024-2025 School Year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate same on behalf of the Board of Education.

15. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the disposal of the Grades K-6 McGraw Hill Inspire Science Program materials, which are now obsolete.

16. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby awards the Transportation Contracts beginning on July 1, 2024, through August 19, 2024, as set forth in the Schedule below:

| BUS COMPANY | SCHOOL | #OF STUDENTS | SUMMER COST/DAY | MATRON COST/DAY | TOTAL SUMMER COST |
|---------------|------------------------------------|--------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| FIRST STUDENT | Hagedorn Little Village | 0 | | | \$1.00 |
| | Variety Children's Learning Center | 1 | \$200.24pppd + CPI x 29 days | \$185.94 + CPI x 29 days | |
| | Cherry Lane School | 0 | | | \$1.00 |

| BUS COMPANY | SCHOOL | # OF STUDENTS | SUMMER COST/DAY | MATRON COST/DAY | TOTAL SUMMER COST |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|---|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| | Clearstream Avenue School | 0 | | | \$1.00 |
| | Martin Avenue School | 0 | | | \$1.00 |
| | John H. West | 0 | | | \$1.00 |
| INDEPENDENT | Waverly Park | 2 | \$200.00pppd + CPI x 29 days \$50.00 add'l + CPI x 29 days | \$110.00 per day + CPI x 29 days | |
| | William L. Buck | 0 | | | \$1.00 |
| SUBURBAN BUS COMPANY | Children's Learning Center UCPA | 1 | \$249.75 + CPI x 29 days | | |
| WE TRANSPORT | Henry Viscardi | 0 | | | \$1.00 |
| | Mill Neck Manor School for the Deaf | 0 | | | \$1.00 |
| NEW BIDS | | | | | |
| FIRST STUDENT | CARLE PLACE MIDDLE SCHOOL | 4 | \$495.00 vehicle pd x 29 days = \$14,355.00 | \$200.00pd x 29 days = \$5,800.00 | \$20,155.00 |
| FIRST STUDENT | MARTIN DE PORRES | 1 | \$188.00pppd x 34 days = \$6,392.00 | \$200.00pd x 34 days = \$6,800.00 | \$13,192.00 |
| SUBURBAN | HAROLD D. FAYETTE | 3 | \$380.00 1 st pupil + \$10.00 each add'l = \$400 x 29 days = \$11,600.00 | \$169.00pd x 29 days = \$4,901.00 | \$16,501.00 |

| NEW BIDS | SCHOOL | #OF STUDENTS | SUMMER COST/DAY | MATRON COST/DAY | TOTAL SUMMER COST |
|-------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| INDEPENDENT | OLD MILL ELEMENTARY | 1 | \$177.00pppd x 29 days = \$5,133.00 | \$133.00pd x 29 days = \$3,857.00 | \$8,990.00 |
| INDEPENDENT | SHAW AVENUE SCHOOL | 1 | \$177.00pppd x 29 days = \$5,133.00 | \$133.00pd x 29 days = \$3,857.00 | \$8,990.00 |

| BUS COMPANY | SCHOOL | # OF STUDENTS | SUMMER COST FOR PROGRAM | MATRON COST | TOTAL SUMMER COST |
|-------------|----------------------------------|---------------|-------------------------------|--|-------------------|
| BOCES | Carmen Road School | 3 | \$2,599.00 pm x 3= \$7,779.00 | \$5,216.00 | \$13,013.00 |
| | Children's Readiness Center | 2 | \$1,232.00 pm x 2=\$2,464.00 | \$5,216.00 | \$7,680.00 |
| | Children's Readiness Center ENDO | 2 | 1,232.00 pm x 2=\$2,464.00 | \$5,216.00 | \$7,680.00 |
| | Jerusalem Avenue | 5 | \$1,232 pm x 5= \$6,160.00 | \$5,216.00 group matron + \$5,216.00 1:1= \$10,432 | \$16, 592.00 |
| | Willet Avenue School | 3 | \$1,232.00 pm x 3=\$3,696.00 | \$5,216.00 | \$8,912.00 |
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17. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the following Budget Transfers for the 2023-2024 School Year:

| BUDGET TRANSFER FOR BOARD APPROVAL | | | |
|---|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| DATE: Jun 5, 2024 | | | |
| CODE | DESCRIPTION | FROM | TO |
| A2630.46 | Computer Software | \$18,000.00 | |
| A1680.490-1 | BOCES Data Warehousing Palo Alto Network Filter for Security | | \$18,000.00 |
| A2020.15 | Building Principal Salaries | \$10,100.00 | |
| A2110.400-71 | Copier Leases-BAS | | \$4,500.00 |
| A2110.400-72 | Copier Leases-WLB | | \$2,500.00 |
| A2110.400-73 | Copier Leases-RWC Canon | | \$3,100.00 |
| A2815.452-51 | Diagnostic Screen Supplies-RWC | \$3,500.00 | |
| A2815.4 | Health Services Expenses Substitute Nurses | | \$3,500.00 |
| A2110.450-3 | RWC-General Supplies | \$1,500.00 | |
| A2020.451-30 | Office Paper-RWC Worldwide Paper | | \$1,500.00 |
| A2250.490 | BOCES Special Ed Services | \$10,000.00 | |
| A1310.49 | BOCES Services Debtbook | | \$10,000.00 |
| A2250.490 | BOCES Special Ed Services | \$690.00 | |
| A2070.49 | BOCES Staff Development Health & Safety Training | | \$690.00 |
| A2250.490 | BOCES Special Ed Services | \$6,250.00 | |
| A2110.492-9 | BOCES ESL ENL Instruction Services | | \$6,250.00 |
| A2250.490 | BOCES Special Ed Services | \$2,750.00 | |
| A2610.49 | BOCES School Library & Audiovisual Cost Increase | | \$2,750.00 |
| A2250.490 | BOCES Special Ed Services | \$27,300.00 | |
| A2630.49 | BOCES e-Rate Services Increased Licensing, Software, and Cyber Security Costs | | \$27,300.00 |
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| | TOTALS | \$ 80,090.00 | \$ 80,090.00 |

XI. DISCUSSION

XII. AUDIENCE TO VISITORS

XIII. ADJOURNMENT