

# AGENDA

## BOARD OF EDUCATION VALLEY STREAM SCHOOL DISTRICT 24

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BUSINESS MEETING  
March 27, 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.

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

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

### **III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** February 28, 2024 and March 13, 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 – MR. UNAL KARAKAS**

### **PRESENTATIONS:**

Brooklyn Avenue School Student Presentation  
Instrumental Music Awards

## **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:**

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**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the irrevocable letter of resignation of Rosa Morales, School Monitor Part-Time, dated March 26, 2024, with the resignation effective February 28, 2024.

2. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Dorann Mannion as a School Monitor Part-Time, effective March 28, 2024 (pending Civil Service clearance). 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 approves the following additions to the per diem substitute list for the 2023-2024 School Year:

#### SUBSTITUTE TEACHERS

Sandra Tangney (effective March 28, 2024)

SUBSTITUTE PART TIME MONITOR

Tina Marino (effective March 28, 2024)

4. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following persons to serve as election inspectors for the Annual Budget Vote Meeting on May 21, 2024, compensation at the rate of \$225 for the day:

Brooklyn Avenue School

Benny Bejarano  
Victor Cook

William L. Buck School

Barbara Carroll  
Sandra A. Lattimore  
Candida Y. Molina

S. Corona Avenue Firehouse

Eileen J. McFarlane

Robert W. Carbonaro School

Lisa G. Allen  
Danielle Camastro  
Maria F. Gemma Sy

5. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following persons to serve as chief election inspectors for the Annual Budget Vote Meeting on May 21, 2024, compensation at the rate of \$250 for the day:

Harry Anesta  
Ronald J. Garofalo  
Mary E. Hansen Sterger  
Ramsey Jenkins III

6. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the irrevocable letter of resignation of Johanne Gaddy, Building Principal, dated March 12, 2024, with the resignation effective close of business June 30, 2024.

7. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the irrevocable letter of resignation for the purpose of retirement of Andrea K. Carra, Classroom Teacher, dated March 7, 2024, with the resignation effective close of business June 30, 2024.

8. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby accepts the irrevocable letter of resignation for the purpose of retirement of Nancy Jakobsen, Senior Account Clerk, dated March 14, 2024, with the resignation effective close of business June 30, 2024.

## **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 02/26/2024, 03/06/2024, 02/05/2024, 3/01/2024, 02/05/2024, 02/07/2024, 02/07/2024 and 02/13/2024, 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 01/31/2024, 01/31/2024, 02/14/2024, 02/06/2024, 02/13/2024, 01/31/2024 for the 2023/2024 School Year and 02/06/2024 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 January 2024.

**D. POLICY - TRUSTEE WHEELER**

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accepts the following policy for first reading:

- o Policy 5131 – Code of Character, Conduct and Support

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

- o Policy 9400 – Board of Education Meetings – Types, Agendas, Procedures and Minutes

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

**X. NEW BUSINESS:**

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement between the District and Jericho UFSD for student health and welfare services for the 2023-2024 school year, and further authorizes the Board President and the Superintendent of Schools to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement.

2. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement between the District and Garden City UFSD for student health and welfare services for the 2023-2024 school year, and further authorizes the Board President and the Superintendent of Schools to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement.

3. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement between the District and Freeport UFSD for student health and welfare services for the 2023-2024 school year, and further authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement.

4. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement between the District and North Merrick UFSD for student health and welfare services for the 2023-2024 school year, and further authorizes the Board President and the Superintendent of Schools to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement.

5. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement between the District and White Glove Community Care for student health and welfare services for the 2023-2024 school year, and further authorizes the Board President to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement.

6. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education (Audit Committee) accepts the Single Audit report by R.S. Abrams and the Corrective Action plan for the 2022-2023 school year.

7. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby ratifies the Resolution dated February 26, 2024, appointing Rodney Austin to serve as an Impartial Hearing Officer as authorized by District Policy No. 5425.

8. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board hereby adopts the Superintendent's Proposed Budget for the 2024-2025 school year in the amount of \$39,282,476 to be presented to the qualified voters of the District at the Annual Meeting.

9. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education of the Valley Stream UFSD 24 hereby approves the Property Tax Report Card for the 2024-2025 school year and authorizes submission to the State Education Department and publication of the 2024-2025 Property Tax Report Card.

10. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the placement of the following voter propositions at the annual budget vote & election on May 21, 2024 and directs the District Clerk to place said propositions in the annual notice of said vote & election.

**Proposition No. 1**

SHALL the proposed budget of expenditures of Valley Stream Union Free School District Twenty-Four, Town of Hempstead, Nassau County New York for the year 2024-2025 be approved in the amount of \$39,282,476 and for the purposes shown in the statement thereof presented at the annual meeting, and that the sum be raised through a levy upon the taxable property in the Valley Stream Union Free School District Twenty-Four, after first deducting the monies from state aid and other sources as provided by law.

**Proposition No. 2**

SHALL the proposed budget of expenditures of Valley Stream Central High School District, Nassau County, New York for the year 2024-2025 be approved in the amount of \$161,364,443 and that the sum be raised through a levy upon the taxable property in the Valley Stream Central High School District, after first deducting the monies from state aid and other sources as provided by law.

**Proposition No. 3**

SHALL the Board of Education be authorized to appropriate and expend the maximum amount of four hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars (\$425,000) from the capital reserve fund for the purpose of completing capital improvements as follows: A/C window unit installations and electrical costs for rooms in the Brooklyn Avenue Elementary School and Robert W. Carbonaro Elementary School.

**Proposition No. 4**

SHALL the Board of Education be authorized to appropriate and expend the maximum amount of Eight Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$800,000) from the capital reserve fund for the purpose of completing capital improvements as follows: District-wide door hold-open installations & fire alarm upgrades.

**Proposition No. 5**

SHALL the Valley Stream Central High School District be authorized to appropriate and expend the maximum amount of \$2,550,000 as follows from fund balance for the purpose of completing capital improvements as follows: Renovate current District Maintenance Garage creating a Construction Trades Facility. All of the above to include labor, materials, equipment, apparatus and incidental costs.

**Proposition No. 6**

SHALL the Board of Education be authorized to appropriate and expend the maximum amount of \$1,156,000 from the Capital Reserve Fund for the purpose of completing capital improvements as follows: Gymnasium window and operating system replacements at Memorial Junior High School, North Junior Senior High School and South Junior Senior High School.

11. **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:



| <b>BUDGET TRANSFER FOR BOARD APPROVAL</b>   |                                   |                      |                      |
|---|-----------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>DATE: March 27, 2024</b>   |                                   |                      |                      |
| <b>CODE</b>   | <b>DESCRIPTION</b>                | <b>FROM</b>          | <b>TO</b>            |
| A1310.16  | BUSINESS OFFICE SALARIES          | \$16,375.00          |                      |
| A1621.406-81  | HEATING/COOLING EXPENSE-BAS       |                      | \$4,975.00           |
| A1621.406-82  | HEATING/COOLING EXPENSE-RWC       |                      | \$5,875.00           |
| A1621.406-83  | HEATING/COOLING EXPENSE-WLB       |                      | \$5,525.00           |
| <b>ULTIMATE POWER, A&amp;I MECHANICAL AND HONEYWELL-ENERGY PERFORMANCE INVOICES</b> |                                   |                      |                      |
| A9010.8   | EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT               | \$33,000.00          |                      |
| A1620.406-11  | GAS/ELECTRIC-BAS                  |                      | \$21,000.00          |
| A1620.406-12  | GAS/ELECTRIC-RWC                  |                      | \$2,000.00           |
| A1620.406-13  | GAS/ELECTRIC-WLB                  |                      | \$10,000.00          |
| <b>PSEGLI AND NATIONAL GRID ESTIMATE FOR REMAINDER OF 2023-2024</b>                 |                                   |                      |                      |
| A9060.85  | DENTAL INSURANCE                  | \$32,000.00          |                      |
| A9060.8   | HOSP & MED INSURANCE              | \$40,000.00          |                      |
| A1620.407-51  | SECURITY-BAS                      |                      | \$29,300.00          |
| A1620.407-52  | SECURITY-RWC                      |                      | \$27,800.00          |
| A1620.407-53  | SECURITY-WLB                      |                      | \$14,900.00          |
| <b>ARROW SECURITY ESTIMATE FOR REMAINDER OF 2023-2024</b>                           |                                   |                      |                      |
| A5581.491   | SUMMER SPECIAL ED. TRANSPORTATION | \$12,000.00          |                      |
| A2330.49  | BOCES SUMMER SCHOOL               |                      | \$12,000.00          |
| <b>SUMMER SCHOOL 2023</b>   |                                   |                      |                      |
| A2020.15  | BUILDING PRINCIPAL SALARIES       | \$1,551.00           |                      |
| A2110.400-73  | COPIER LEASES-RWC                 |                      | \$1,551.00           |
| <b>EXTRA COPIES (B/W AND COLOR)</b>   |                                   |                      |                      |
| A9060.8   | HOSP & MED INSURANCE              | \$215,621.45         |                      |
| A5540.4   | TRANSPORTATION EXPENSES           |                      | \$215,621.45         |
| <b>HIGHER TRANSPORTATION COSTS AND INCREASED RIDERSHIP</b>                          |                                   |                      |                      |
| A9060.8   | HOSP & MED INSURANCE              | \$ 21,373.00         |                      |
| A5581.49  | BOCES/TRANSP. EXPENSE             |                      | \$ 21,373.00         |
| <b>HIGHER TRANSPORTATION COSTS AND INCREASED RIDERSHIP</b>                          |                                   |                      |                      |
| <b>TOTALS</b>   |                                   | <b>\$ 371,920.45</b> | <b>\$ 371,920.45</b> |

**XI. DISCUSSION**

**XII. AUDIENCE TO VISITORS**

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**