

AGENDA

BOARD OF EDUCATION VALLEY STREAM SCHOOL DISTRICT 24

BUSINESS MEETING
May 15, 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: April 16, 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:

Board Achievement Awards
Friends of Bridge Award Winners Recognition
SAAWA Art Award Winners Recognition
Scripps Spelling Bee Winner Recognition

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 Daniel Buckley, Custodian, dated April 18, 2024, with the resignation effective close of business May 7, 2024.

2. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby appoints Alexis Thomas, effective August 30, 2024, as an Elementary Speech Teacher holding a Certificate in Speech and Language Disabilities, for a 4-year probationary period. Their probation expiration will be August 29, 2028*. Compensation will be at Step 1 MA in accordance with the current negotiated agreement between the Valley Stream Teachers' Association and the Board of Education.

*To be eligible to receive tenure, the probationer must receive composite or overall APPR ratings of either effective or highly effective in at least three of the four preceding years, and if the probationer receives an ineffective composite or overall APPR rating in the final year of the probationary period they will not be eligible for tenure at that time.

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

Reed Toscano (effective May 16, 2024)

Gina Milici (effective May 16, 2024)

Kayleen Montesdeoca (effective May 16, 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 04/02/2024, 04/05/2024, 03/27/2024, 03/27/2024, 04/15/2024 and 04/04/2024 for the 2023/2024 School Year and 03/15/2024, 03/25/2024, 03/11/2024, 04/02/2024, 04/15/2024, 03/27/2024, 04/11/2024, 03/27/2024, 04/02/2024, 04/08/2024, 04/08/2024, 04/08/2024, 04/11/2024, 04/17/2024, 04/15/2024, 04/15/2024, 04/15/2024, and 04/19/2024 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 03/14/2024, 02/12/2024, 02/15/2024, 03/20/2023 and 03/06/2024 for the 2023/2024 School Year and 04/04/2024, 04/17/2024, 02/08/2024, 04/17/2024, 03/14/2024, 04/08/2024, 04/08/2024, 03/26/2024, 03/11/2024, 03/27/2024, 02/12/2024, 02/12/2024, 02/12/2024, 02/27/2024, 03/06/2024, 03/21/2024, 03/21/2024, 03/12/2024, 03/12/2024, 03/14/2024, 03/13/2024 and 04/02/2024 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 March 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 5119 - Unsafe School Transfer
- Policy 6112 - Emergency Closings
- Policy 6122 - Instructional materials

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS, IF ANY:

X. NEW BUSINESS:

1. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement between the District and Textbook Central for centralized textbook distribution services and textbook information and management services for the 2024-2025 school year at the rate set forth in the Agreement and further authorizes the Board President 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 authorizes the District to enter into an agreement with Zaur Isaakov, PH.D., L-BCBA-D for consultant services for the 2023-2024 and 2024-2025 school years, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education 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 authorizes the District to enter into an agreement with Mill Neck Manor School for the Deaf 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 said Agreement.

4. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the District to enter into an agreement with North Merrick Union Free School District 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 said Agreement.

5. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby authorizes the District to enter into an agreement with Zycron Industries for Medicaid consultant services 2024-2025 school year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education 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 hereby approves the Agreement between the District and West Hempstead 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.

7. **BE IT RESOLVED**, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education awards the transportation consultant contract in cooperation with the Nassau County Southwest Transportation Consortium, to JN Business Services, Pupil Transportation Consultant (Nancy Nunziata) for the period of July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025 in the amount not to exceed \$2,500.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board President to execute this transportation consultant contract on behalf of the Board of Education.

8. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education renews the contract for the provision of school food services to Whitson's Culinary Group at a price per meal of \$2.42 for Breakfast and \$3.70 per meal for Lunch for the 2024-2025 School Year in accordance with the terms and conditions of Bid #FS-23/24-A-01.

9. **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education hereby denies the Dignity For All Students Act ("DASA") appeal submitted on behalf of the individual listed on Confidential Schedule "A," and authorizes the President of the Board of Education to direct correspondence memorializing such decision to such individual.

10. **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:

VALLEY STREAM UFSD #24

TRANSFER BUDGET CODES
 OVER \$ 5,000

BUDGET TRANSFER FOR BOARD APPROVAL			
DATE: May 16, 2024			
CODE	DESCRIPTION	FROM	TO
A9060.8	Hosp & Med Insur	\$45,250.00	
A1621.407-3	Sitework		\$45,250.00
	Vision 2030 Classrooms		
A9060.8	Hosp & Med Insur	\$21,000.00	
A1621.450-1	Materials and Supplies-BAS		\$21,000.00
	BAS Curtains		
A9060.8	Hosp & Med Insur	\$3,400.00	
A2815.4	Health Services Expenses		\$3,400.00
	2023-2024 Health & Welfare Services - West Hempstead		
A9060.8	Hosp & Med Insur	\$1,300.00	
A1060.4	Contractual Expenses		\$1,300.00
	Budget Legal Ads - Herald		
A9060.8	Hosp & Med Insur	\$10,000.00	
A1420.4	Attorney Fees		\$10,000.00
	Guercio & Guercio		
	TOTALS	\$ 80,950.00	\$ 80,950.00

XI. DISCUSSION

XII. AUDIENCE TO VISITORS

XIII. ADJOURNMENT