

MINUTES

BOARD OF EDUCATION
VALLEY STREAM SCHOOL DISTRICT 24

VIRTUAL MEETING

BUSINESS MEETING
6:45 PM

WILLIAM L. BUCK SCHOOL
JUNE 9, 2021

Members Present: President Wheeler, Vice-President Pellicane, Trustees Hernandez, LaRocco, Maier and Wilson.

Others Present: Superintendent Don Sturz, Assistant Superintendent Jack Mitchell, Principal's Dr. Comis, Mr. Iacono, Susan Leggett and School District Attorney, Carrie Anne Tondo.

Absent With Prior Notice: Melissa Herrera

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Business Meeting was called to order at 6:45 PM, at the William L. Buck School, by President Wheeler.

Motion to enter Executive Session at 6:45 PM was made by Trustee Maier, seconded by Vice-President Pellicane, to discuss Personnel and Contractual obligations. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion made to adjourn Executive Session at 7:42 PM was made by Trustee Maier, seconded by Vice-President Pellicane. Motion unanimously carried.

The Business Meeting was reconvened at 7:45 PM, at the William L. Buck School by President Wheeler.

II. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS: None

Salute to the Flag and Pledge of Allegiance.

Motion made by Trustee Hernandez, seconded by Trustee Maier to approve the Minutes of May 25, 2021, May 27, 2021, and June 2, 2021. Motion unanimously

carried.

Welcome to Visitors: President Wheeler welcomed all in attendance to the Business Meeting and further specified conditions of public comment/questions within Policy 9400.

President Wheeler asked if there are any questions or comments for the Public Hearing portion of the meeting.

Dr. Sturz read and answered questions that were submitted by Valley Stream School District 24 residents regarding the Code of Character, Conduct and Support revisions.

Correspondence Report from the District Clerk: None

Superintendents Report: Welcomed all in attendance.

Dr. Sturz opened up the meeting with an update on the DEI Committee. Dr. Sturz also spoke about the upcoming graduations and the last day of school. Dr. Sturz ended with a special thanks to all the Nurses and Principals in the District for all their hard work throughout this year of unprecedented challenges.

Dr. Sturz welcomed Dr. Comis to honor retiree Susan Leggett.

VII. LIST OF ITEMS FOR ACTION:

A. PERSONNEL –MS. LISA PELLICANE

Motion made by Vice-President Pellicane, seconded by Trustee Hernandez to move items #1 - #4 as listed. Motion unanimously carried.

1. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Jane Cooper, as a Teacher Aide, for the purpose of retirement, effective June 30, 2021.

2. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the following to be assigned as a custodial summer helper, effective June 21, 2021, at the appropriate rate/scale of pay, according to the salary set by the Board of Education at the July 7, 2020, Reorganization meeting:

Jalen Smith

3. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approves the carry-over of unused vacation days from the 2020-2021 school year to the 2021-2022 school year as follows:

Jack Mitchell: 5 days
Mark Onorato: 3.5 days
Lisa Conte: 5 days

4. BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the Wage and Benefits Agreements between the District and the following District Employees for the 2021-2022 school year: Jack Mitchell, Assistant Superintendent for Business; Lisa Conte, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction; Mark Onorato, Director of Instructional Technology and Data; Charles Brocher, Director of Facilities III; and, Johanna Owen, Superintendent's Secretary, and herewith authorizes the Board President to execute the same on behalf of the Board of Education.

B. EDUCATION – MRS. DONNA LA ROCCO

Motion made by Trustee LaRocco, seconded by Trustee Maier, to move items B.1 and B.2 as listed. Motion unanimously carried.

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 5/5/21, 5/10/21, 5/12/21, 5/19/21, 5/19/21, 5/19/21, 5/20/21, 5/20/21, 5/24/21, 5/26/21, 5/26/21 and 5/27/21, 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 3/8/21, 3/12/21, 4/21/21, 4/28/21, 4/29/21, 5/7/21, 5/10/21,

5/17/21, 5/17/21, 5/18/21, 5/18/21, 5/20/21, 5/20/21, 5/20/21, 5/21/21, 5/21/21, 5/21/21, 5/24/21, 5/24/21, 5/24/21, 5/24/21, 5/25/21, 5/25/21, 5/25/21, 5/25/21, 5/26/21 and 6/3/21, 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 – MR. JOHN MAIER

Motion made by Trustee Maier, seconded by Trustee LaRocco, to move item C.1 as listed. Motion unanimously carried.

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, 2021.

VIII. 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, Mr. Hernandez, Mr. Maier and Mrs. Pellicane.

Trustee Maier reported that the Central High School District met on June 8, 2021, and recognized retirees and tenures.

Residency Hotlines:

Valley Stream School District	516-872-5677
Village of Valley Stream	516-592-5140
Town of Hempstead	516-584-5000

B. LEGAL REPORT – Representative from the law firm, Ingerman Smith, LLP – No Report

C. LEGISLATION REPORT - MR. ARMANDO HERNANDEZ – No Report

D. POLICY COMMITTEE – MRS. DONNA LAROCCO

Motion made by Trustee LaRocco, seconded by Trustee Hernandez, to move item D.1. as listed. Motion unanimously carried.

1. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education adopts the following Policy:

POLICY 5131 – Code of Character, Conduct and Support

IX. UNFINISHED BUSINESS, IF ANY: None

X. NEW BUSINESS:

Motion made by Trustee Maier, seconded by Trustee LaRocco, to move items #1 - #20 as listed. Motion unanimously carried.

1. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement between the District and Dr. Caryl Oris, M.D. for related services for the 2021-2022 school year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

2. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement between the District and Nicole Guttman, SLP P.C. for the 2021-2022 school year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

3. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement between the District and The Hagedorn Little Village School (Tuition) for the 2021-2022 school year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

4. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement between the District and The Hagedorn Little Village School (Academic Tutoring) for the 2021-2022 school year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

5. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement between the District and The Hagedorn Little Village School (Related Services) for the 2021-2022 school year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

6. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement between the District and Christian Nursing Registry, Inc. for the 2021-2022 school year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

7. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement between the District and Martin De Porres School (Tuition) for the 2021-2022 school year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

8. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement between the District and Variety Child Learning Center (Related Services) for the 2021-2022 school year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

9. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement between the District and Variety Child Learning Center (Tuition) for the 2021-2022 school year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

10. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement between the District and Management Advisory Group Special Services, Inc. for the 2021-2022 school year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

11. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement between the District and New York Therapy Placement Services, Inc. (Academic Tutoring) for the 2021-2022 school year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

12. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement between the District and New York Therapy Placement Services, Inc. (Related Services) for the 2021-2022 school year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

13. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Agreement between the District and United Cerebral Palsy Association of Nassau County, Inc. for the 2021-2022 school year, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

14. 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 Julia Dyckman Andrus Memorial, Inc. (Instructional Services and Related Services) April 13, 2021 until June 2, 2021, subject to an Agreement to be prepared by District counsel, and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education..

15. BE IT RESOLVED that, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby awards the contract for the provision of school food services to Preferred Meals at a price per meal of: \$1.59 for Breakfast and \$2.49 per meal for Lunch for the 2021-2022 school year in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Prepackaged Frozen Breakfast and School Lunches Bid # FS-21/22-A-01. Renewals may not exceed four additional years.

16. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby awards separate Transportation Contracts

for Summer 2021 to each of the below listed transportation providers as set forth in the following Schedule:

BUS COMPANY	SCHOOL	# OF STUDEN		SUMMER COST FOR PROGRAM	MATRON COST	SUMMER COST
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SUBURBAN BUS CO.	Children's Learning Center- UCPA	1		\$227.00 pppd x 30 days = \$6,810.00	\$160.00 x 30 = \$4,800.00	\$11,610.00
FIRST STUDENT	Hagedorn Little Village	2		\$239.00 1st student + \$149.00 add'l student = \$388.00 x 29 days = \$11,252.00	\$169.00 x 29 = \$4,901.00	\$16,153.00
	Variety Children's Learning Center	2		\$182.00 1st student + \$182.00 add'l student x 29 days = \$10,556.00	\$169.00 x 29 = \$4,901.00	\$15,457.00
WE TRANSPORT	Henry Viscardi	1		\$225.00 pppd x 29 days = \$6,525.00	\$170.00 x 29 = \$4,930.00	\$11,455.00
BOCES	Jerusalem Avenue	5		\$1,056.00 per program x 5 = \$5,280.00	\$4,471.00	\$9,751.00
	Children's Readiness Center	4		\$1,056.00 per program x 4 = \$4,224.00	\$4,471.00	\$8,695.00
	Carmen Road	2		\$2,227 per program x 2 = \$4,454.00	\$4,471.00 + Nurse \$2,227.00 = \$6,698.00	\$11,152.00
TOTAL SUMMER COST:						\$84,273.00

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board President to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Summer 2021 Transportation Contracts on behalf of the Board of Education.

17. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the following Budget Transfer for the 2020-2021 School year:

BUDGET TRANSFER FOR BOARD APPROVAL			
DATE: June 9, 2021			
CODE	DESCRIPTION	FROM	TO
A1910.4	Unallocated Ins	\$ 5,100.00	
A1480.4	Public Info Expenses Consulting & Legal Fees		\$ 5,100.00
	TOTALS	\$ 5,100.00	\$ 5,100.00

18. BE IT RESOLVED, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the following Budget Transfer for the 2020-2021 School year:

BUDGET TRANSFER FOR BOARD APPROVAL			
DATE: June 9, 2021			
CODE	DESCRIPTION	FROM	TO
A2110.47	Tuition	\$ 8,000.00	
A2110.473	Charter School Tuition Evergreen Charter School		\$ 8,000.00
A9060.8	Hosp & Med Insur	\$ 39,000.00	
A2250.490	BOCES Services Increase enrollment in BOCES Special Ed Program		\$ 39,000.00
A2110.12	Teachers 1-6 Salaries	\$ 5,529.31	
A1240.16	Central Office Salaries		\$ 1,138.25
A1310.16	Business Office Salaries Increase in Clerical Salaries		\$ 4,391.06
A1620.406-2	Water Expenses	\$ 16,000.00	
A1620.406-3	Telephone Expenses	\$ 3,979.05	
A1620.406	Fuel/Oil	\$ 1,000.00	
A1380.4	Contractual Exp-Fiscal Agent	\$ 3,000.00	
A2110.160-2	LCH/CRM/CPY Aides-RWC	\$ 2,985.64	
A2110.160-3	LCH/CRM/CPY Aides-WLB	\$ 3,000.00	
A1620.161-1	Custodial Overtime-BAS		\$ 2,979.05
A1620.161-3	Custodial Overtime-WLB		\$ 9,085.64
A1620.162-1	Security Aide Salary-BAS		\$ 5,600.00
A1620.162-2	Security Aide Salary-RWC		\$ 6,100.00
A1620.162-3	Security Aide Salary-WLB To Cover Overtime Expenses		\$ 6,200.00
A2110.12	Teachers 1-6 Salaries	\$ 5,300.00	
A2110.123	After School Programs Additional Coverage Needed		\$ 5,300.00
	TOTALS	\$ 87,794.00	\$ 87,794.00

19. BE IT RESOLVED, that the annual reorganizational meeting of the District for the 2021-2022 school year will be held on Monday, July 12, 2021, in accordance with the requirements set forth at Section 1707 of the Education Law.

20. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Addendum to the 2020-2021 Related Services Agreement between the District and New York Therapy Placement Services, Inc. for the provision of additional evaluation services as set forth in the Addendum and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Addendum to the 2020-2021 Related Services Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

Motion made by Trustee LaRocco, seconded by Vice-President Pellicane, to table item # 21.

21. BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education hereby approves the Addendum to the 2021-2022 Related Services Agreement between the District and New York Therapy Placement Services, Inc. for the provision of additional evaluation services as set forth in the Addendum and further authorizes the President of the Board of Education to execute the necessary documents to effectuate said Addendum to the 2021-2022 Related Services Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

XI. DISCUSSION

XII. AUDIENCE TO VISITORS

Dr. Sturz read and answered a question that was submitted by a Valley Stream School District 24 resident regarding the DEI committee and future plans.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Trustee Maier and seconded by Trustee Hernandez to move into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing personnel and contractual issues. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion by Vice-President Pellicane and seconded by Trustee Maier to adjourn executive session at 9:07 PM. Motion unanimously carried.

Motion to adjourn the Business Meeting at 9:08 PM was made by Vice-President Pellicane, seconded by Trustee Maier. Motion unanimously carried.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Biscardi

Jennifer Biscardi
District Clerk