

Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen
585 N. Corona Avenue
Valley Stream, NY 11580-2099

AGENDA FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Tuesday, November 27, 2007
Willow Road School

- I Call to Order
- II Determination of Quorum
- III Pledge of Allegiance
- IV Approval of Minutes
- V Correspondence
- VI Report of the Superintendent
- VII Committee Reports
 - A. Education
 - B. Business
 - C. Policy
 - D. Committee of the Whole
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- XII Adjourn

Freedom of Information

Under Freedom of Information Law, residents may request to see specific information such as Board of Education Policies and Regulations, staff assignments, employee contracts and salaries, and budget information. Residents interested in such information must contact Assistant Superintendent for Business, Meredith Brosnan, Records Access Officer.

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I. Call to Order

In compliance with New York State Law, you are advised to take note of the location of the nearest exit. In the event of a fire, or other emergency that requires evacuation from the building, use the nearest available exit.

Please obey all instructions in a prompt and orderly manner.

Also be advised that tape recorders may be in use, by members of the public and the press, during all or portions of this meeting.

- II. Determination of Quorum
- III. Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Approval of unofficial minutes - Oct. 23, Nov. 17, Nov. 20, 2007
- V. Communications
- VI. Report of the Superintendent
- VII. Report of Standing Committees
- VIII. Report of the Attorney
- IX. Old Business
- X. New Business
- XII. Recognition of Visitors

It is expected that visitors wishing to address the Board concerning items on the agenda will be heard when the pertinent item is being considered and before action is taken. Visitors wishing to address the Board concerning items, which do not appear on the agenda, will normally be invited to speak at the conclusion of regular business.

If you wish to address the Board, please fill out the following form and give it to the district clerk prior to the beginning of the meeting:

SUBJECT _____

GROUP _____

DISTRICT RESIDENT Yes No DISTRICT PERSONNEL Yes No

PRINT/SIGNATURE _____

Note: Board Policy 1230 Public Participation at Board Meetings states in part that "Presentations should be as brief as possible. No speaker will be permitted to speak for longer than three minutes. Only District Residents and District Personnel will be permitted to speak."

VI. Report of the Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Elizabeth Lison

1. Library Assistant

To approve an additional one hour per day for Edith Catalano to work in the Library at Howell Road School.

VII. Committee Reports

A. EDUCATION [F. Chiachiere, D. Evans]

1. Principal's Welcome and Education Report: Focus on the Arts - Stephanie Capozzoli

2. GATE Advancements

To approve the recommendation of the Superintendent for the GATE advances according to the Board/VSTA contract as listed:

Step 9 to Step 10

Stacey LoBello effective 11/1/07

Lisa Mulqueen effective 11/1/07

Step 14 to Step 15

Karen Martorana effective 12/15/07

3. Testing Coordinator Stipend

To approve a stipend for Anna Mihalos as the testing coordinator effective October 12, 2007 at \$850 pro-rated.

4. Employment of Replacement Teacher

To employ Sarah Tauber as a Replacement Classroom Teacher at Howell Road School effective December 4, 2007 through June 30, 2008 on Step 1 MA (\$58,294) and unless sooner terminated.

5. Resignation of an ESL Teacher

To accept the resignation of Sharon Lupeke, ESL Replacement Teacher at Howell Road School effective December 2, 2007.

6. Resignation of a Teaching Assistant

To accept the resignation of Jillian Karlewicz, Teaching Assistant at James A. Dever School effective October 16, 2007.

7. Employment of a Teaching Assistant

To employ Chaya Feldstein as a Teaching Assistant at James A. Dever School effective October 22, 2007 through June 30, 2008 at a salary of \$23,5645 pro-rated.

8. Employments for ELA Before and After School Program

To approve the following employments for the ELA Before and After School Program effective November 5, 2007 through December 14, 2007 for two hours per week at their hourly rate of pay:

James A. Dever

Annemarie Gunn

J. J. Weiner

Kim Spinner

Mary Ellen Kefalogiannis

Louise Marchesi

Wheeler Avenue

Craig Caputo

Peggy Aronowitz

Michelle Dorsi

Erica Sheid

Shannon Kranz

Willow Road

Mairead Dorry

Elena Bagge

Rich Faso

Donna Quartuccio

Melissa Bianculli

Matthew Costantino

Melanie Van Eron

Maria Romeo

Howell Road

Cindy Gervasi

Pat Hopkins

Anna Mihalos

Matthew Stashin

Dianna Chappell

Maria Teh Bradley

Jonathan Berghorn

Jacqueline Schimmenti

9. Employments for the ESL Before and After School Program

To approve the following employments for the ESL Before and After School Program effective November 5, 2007 through May 2, 2008 for two hours per week at their hourly rate of pay:

James A. Dever
Josette Noto-Matozzo

Wheeler Avenue
Jennifer Cymbler

Willow Road
Aida Ricci

Howell Road
Terry Sales

10. Substitute Teacher List

To approve the Substitute Teacher List for the 2007-2008 school year.

B. BUSINESS [C. Subbiondo, J. DiSibio]

1. Treasurer's Report

To accept the Treasurer's Report for the month ending October 31, 2007.

C. POLICY COMMITTEE [B. Gorham, J. Greco Jacobs]

D. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE [Vice President D. Evans]

1. Committee on Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Special Education Review dated 10/12, 10/19, 10/22BOCES, 10/22H, 10/24, 10/30, 11/5, 11/8 and 11/19/07.

2. Committee on Pre-School Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Pre-School Special Education Review dated 10/23, 10/24, and 11/9/07.

3. Amendment to the Superintendent's Contract

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen agrees to amend the employment agreement dated November 22, 2005 between the Board and Dr. Elizabeth Lison, on the terms specified in the agreement dated November 27, 2007; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board President be authorized to execute said agreement on behalf of the Board.

4. Approval of Donations

- a) To approve a donation to the Howell Road School of a "lighted information sign" from the Howell Road PTA with a value of \$4000.
- b) To approve a donation to the Howell Road School of a Bach Aristocrat TR600 trumpet from Marianne Cali with an approximate value of \$400.
- c) To approve a donation to the District of 17 computers and 13 monitors from Vinny Pandit, c/o Fidelis Care NY with an approximate value of \$2350.

VIII. Report of the Attorney

Florence Frazer

IX. Old Business

X. New Business

XI. Visitors

XII. Adjourn