

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

AGENDA FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Tuesday, March 23, 2010
Board Room

- I Call to Order
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- III Pledge of Allegiance
- IV Approval of Minutes
- V Correspondence
- VI Report of the Superintendent
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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 dated **February 23, March 16, 2010**
- 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. Termination of a 1:1 Classroom Aide Position

Termination of Susan Rossi as a 1:1 Classroom Aide at Willow Road School due to elimination of the position.

2. Substitute Noon Hour/Classroom Aide

Add Susan Rossi as a substitute Noon Hour/Classroom Aide.

VII. Committee Reports

A. EDUCATION [F. Chiachiere, J. Gartner]

1. No Education Report

2. Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement

To accept the Resignation of Nada Tannen, Librarian at Howell Road School, effective July 1, 2010 and in accordance with Section 5.9 (Leave of Absence with Pay Prior to Retirement) of the Board/VSTA Contract.

3. Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement

To accept the Resignation of Linda Balaban, Classroom Teacher at Wheeler Avenue School, effective July 1, 2010 and in accordance with Section 5.10 (Leave of Absence with Pay Prior to Retirement) of the Board/VSTA Contract.

4. Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement

To accept the Resignation of Nora Martello, Classroom Teacher at James A. Dever School, effective July 1, 2010 and in accordance with Section 5.9 (Leave of Absence with Pay Prior to Retirement) of the Board/VSTA Contract.

5. Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement

To accept the Resignation of Frances Achtziger, Classroom Teacher at Willow Road School, effective July 1, 2010 and in accordance with Section 5.9 (Leave of Absence with Pay Prior to Retirement) of the Board/VSTA Contract.

6. Resignation for the Purpose of Retirement

To accept the Resignation of Cecelia Smith, Classroom Teacher at James A. Dever School, effective July 1, 2010 and in accordance with Section 5.9 (Leave of Absence with Pay Prior to Retirement) of the Board/VSTA Contract.

7. Resignation of a Speech Teacher

To accept the resignation of Stacey Zinman, Speech Teacher at Willow Road School, effective June 30, 2010.

8. Resignation of a Classroom Teacher (Math AIS)

To accept the resignation of Neil Sklar, Classroom (Math AIS) Teacher at James A. Dever School, effective August 31, 2010.

9. Child Care Leave of Absence 1st Year

To approve a first year child care leave of absence for Kelly Wilcha, Classroom Teacher at Howell Road School effective April 19, 2010 through June 30, 2010.

10. Child Care Leave of Absence 2nd Year

To approve a second year child care leave of absence for Tara Lanzisera, Speech Teacher at James A. Dever School effective September 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

11. Child Care Leave of Absence 2nd Year

To approve a second year child care leave of absence for Janet Hoffner, Music Teacher at Willow Road School effective September 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

12. Substitute Teacher List

To approve the updated Substitute Teacher List for the 2009 –2010 school year.

B. BUSINESS [J. Greco Jacobs, D. Evans]

1. Treasurer's Report

To accept the Treasurer's Report for the month ending February 28, 2010.

2. Participation in a Purchasing Consortium

To participate in a purchasing consortium with Valley Stream UFSD Twenty-four, Valley Stream UFSD Thirty and the Valley Stream CHSD for the purposes of occupational, physical and speech therapy services and other special education services as needed. Valley Stream UFSD Thirty will serve as the lead district in the preparation and coordination of the requests for proposal.

3. State Environment Quality Review NEGATIVE DECLARATION, Notice of Non-Significance

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen is the lead agency under the State Environmental Quality Review Process for the purpose of required determinations respecting the proposed Capital Improvement Project as follows:

- a. Howell Road School
 - 1. Shed Construction SED # 28-02-13-02-2-012-001
- b. Willow Road School
 - 1. Roof Reconstruction SED # 28-02-13-02-0-004-012

WHEREAS, in 1995, amendments were made to the SEQRA Regulation (Part 617) to classify projects, which will be excluded from the requirements for the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement (Type II Actions). The project mentioned above is now classified as Type II Actions as determined by NYCRR Section 617.5 and

WHEREAS, these projects fall under the following categories:

- A. Routine Maintenance and Repair 6NYCRR Section 617.5 (c) (1): Maintenance or repair involving no substantial change in an existing facility.
- B. Replace or Rehabilitation 6NYCRR Section 617.5 (c) (2): Replacement or Rehabilitation or Reconstruction of a structure of facility, in kind, on the same site, unless the work excess a threshold for a Type I action in 6NYCRR Section 617.4.
- C. 6NYCRR Section 617.5 (c) (8); Routine activities of educational institutions, including expansion of existing facilities by less than 10,000 square feet of gross floor area and school closings, but not changes in use related to such closings.

THEREFORE, as the lead agency for the SEQRA determination, the above referenced projects fall under Categories "A" or "B" above. The procedure for Type II Actions, with regard to the SEQRA Process for Capital Projects noted above is "No Additional Action under 6NYCRR Section 617.5 (a)".

C. POLICY COMMITTEE [W. Stris, T. Speranza]

- 1. Policy for 1st Reading
2510 New Board Member Orientation

D. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE [Vice President F. Chiachiere]

1. Committee on Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Special Education Reviews dated 2/1, 2/4, 2/8, 2/12H, 2/12Wi, 2/22D, 2/22 H, 2/24, 3/1, 3/3, 3/4, 3/5, and 3/10/10.

2. Committee on Pre-School Special Education Review

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Pre-School Special Education Review dated 1/27/10.

3. Impartial Hearing Officer

To remove Dale Black-Pennington from the Impartial Hearing Officer List.

4. 2010-2011 Proposed Budget (Proposition #1)

That the Board of Education adopt the 2010-2011 Proposed Budget in the amount of \$41,341,680 and that the budget be presented to the voters in our District; and that the District Clerk be directed to place this budget, in the above amount, on the ballot in accordance with previous instructions.

5. Rules and Regulations for the Annual Election

To approve the Rules and Regulations for the Annual Election as updated.

6. Voter Registration

To approve additional voter registration prior to each evening concert, for one hour at all four schools as follows:

Dever:	Tuesday, April 13 and Thursday, April 15
Howell:	Wednesday, April 14
Wheeler:	Thursday, April 15
Willow:	Thursday, April 15

VIII. Report of the Attorney

Florence Frazer

IX. Old Business

X. New Business

XI. Visitors

XII. Adjourn