

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

AGENDA FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

Tuesday, November 24, 2009
James A. Dever 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
- VIII Report of the Attorney
- IX Old Business
- X New Business
- XI Visitors
- 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 dated **October 27, November 14, November 17**
- 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. Resignation of a Classroom Aide

To accept the resignation of Melissa Paese as a Classroom Aide assigned to Willow Road School effective November 9, 2009.

2. Resignation of a Noon Hour Aide

To accept the resignation of Saima Latif as a Noon Hour Aide assigned to Willow Road School effective November 24, 2009

3. Employment of a Classroom Aide

To employ Saima Latif as a Classroom Aide assigned to Willow Road School effective November 25, 2009, and unless sooner terminated, on Step 1 (\$15,700).

4. Substitute Noon Hour/Classroom Aide

To add Corinne Wilenski as substitute Noon Hour/Classroom Aide.

VII. Committee Reports

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

1. Education Report: Health, Wellness, and Character Education (D. Gruen)

2. Tenure Recommendation – Reading Teacher

After reviewing the recommendation of the Building Principal, and conducting classroom lesson observation and portfolio review, the Superintendent recommends, Elizabeth Sweeny, Reading Teacher assigned to Howell Road School, be granted tenure effective December 4, 2009.

3. Child Care Leave of Absence – 1st Year

To approve a 1st year Child Care Leave of Absence for Noelle Rogers, Classroom Teacher at James A. Dever School effective December 8, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

4. Child Care Leave of Absence – 1st Year

To approve a 1st year Child Care Leave of Absence for Tara Lanzisera, Speech Teacher at James A. Dever School effective December 8, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

5. Employment of a Replacement Speech Teacher

To employ Christy Taveira as a Replacement Speech Teacher assigned to James A. Dever School on Step 1MA (\$64,632) effective December 8, 2009 through June 30, 2010 and unless sooner terminated, in accordance with the Board/VSTA contract in effect on the date employment begins.

6. Salary Gates

To approve the recommendation of the Superintendent for the gate increases according to the Board/VSTA contract:

Step 14 – 15	Denise Demeo	effective 12/1/09
	Ilene Ganz	effective 12/1/09

Step 19 – 20	Eileen Wallace	effective 11/1/09
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7. 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 October 31, 2009.

2. Transportation Contracts 2009 - 2010

To approve the following contract extensions at June CPI of 0.0 and new transportation contracts as bid on May 29, 2009, June 24, 2009 and September 8, 2009 by the Southwest Quadrant for Fall 2009:

BOCES

Carmen Road	2 students	\$1186.10 per pupil/month
	1 matron	\$1220.71 per matron/month
Rosemary Kennedy	2 students	\$ 541.94 per pupil/month
	1 matron	\$1220.71 per matron/month

3. Increase the Stipend for the Board Run

To increase the stipend for Violette Maurice to \$20 per board run effective November 25, 2009.

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

1. Policies for 1st Reading

2210 Board Reorganization Meeting
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 10/5, 10/14, 10/19, 10/21, 10/22, 10/26, 10/28H, 10/28Wi, 11/2, and 11/13/09.

2. Committee on Pre-School Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Pre-School Special Education Reviews dated 10/26, 11/2, 11/10 and 11/13/09.

VIII. Report of the Attorney

Florence Frazer

- IX. Old Business**
- X. New Business**
- XI. Visitors**
- XII. Adjourn**