

Regular meeting of the Board of Education of Valley Stream Union Free School District Thirteen held in the Auditorium of the James A. Dever School on November 24, 2009.

| <u>BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT</u> | <u>BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT</u> | <u>OTHERS PRESENT</u> |
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| Trustee Chiachiere Trustee DiSibio Trustee Evans Trustee Gartner Trustee Greco Jacobs Trustee Stris | Trustee Speranza | Superintendent Lison Asst. Supt. for Business Brosnan Asst. Supt. for Curric. & Instr. Roth Asst. Supt. for Special Services Sells-Asch School District Attorney Frazer District Clerk Michels Building Principal Capozzoli Building Principal Gruen Building Principal Huplosky Building Principal Zerillo Approximately 65Visitors |

Convening

The meeting was convened at 7:15p.m. by President DiSibio.

CONVENING

Quorum

Six members being present, a quorum was determined.

QUORUM

Executive Session

An Executive Session was held immediately to discuss personnel of a particular person on a motion made by Trustee Stris, seconded by Trustee Chiachiere and carried unanimously. The Superintendent, Assistant Superintendents and Attorneys were invited to attend.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Reconvening

The meeting was reconvened at 8:05 p.m. by President DiSibio.

RECONVENING

Pledge of Allegiance

Welcome

Quorum

Six members being present, a quorum was determined.

QUORUM

Approval of the Minutes

Resolution: To approve the minutes of the October 27, November 14, and November 17, 2009 meetings.

MINUTES OF 10/27, 11/14, 11/17
MEETINGS APPROVED

Moved by Trustee Greco Jacobs, seconded by Trustee Chiachiere and carried unanimously.

Correspondence

Timothy Kremer, Executive Director of NYSSBA, sent a thank you letter to the Board for their membership and included a list of services provided to its members.

CORRESPONDENCE

Report of the Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Elizabeth Lison

Superintendent Lison reported that November 3 was Superintendent's Conference Day which featured many workshops for teachers. Educational Planning was held on November 14th whereby the Superintendent reported the educational vision and progress made in each curriculum and instructional area. The week of November 23rd was American Education Week and the parent community was able to observe lessons, visit classrooms and participate in parent workshops. President DiSibio and Superintendent Lison attended the Nassau Region PTA Presidents & Principals Dinner. Congratulations to Trustee Joan Gartner for completing the NYS mandated Fiscal Oversight Workshops. The Dever community participated in the construction of a new playground and the dedication ceremony will be held on November 25th. Dr. Lison wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

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.

M. PAESE RESIGNED AS NHA

Moved by Trustee Stris, seconded by Trustee Chiachiere and carried unanimously.

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

S. LATIF RESIGNED AS NHA

Moved by Trustee Chiachiere, seconded by Trustee Greco Jacobs and carried unanimously.

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).

S. LATIF EMPLOYED AS A CRA

Moved by Trustee Stris, seconded by Trustee Gartner and carried unanimously.

Substitute Noon Hour/Classroom Aide

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

C. WILENSKI ADDED AS A SUB CRA/NHA

Moved by Trustee Greco Jacobs, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

Committee Reports

EDUCATION [F. Chiachiere, J. Gartner]

Darren Gruen, James A. Dever Principal, reported on Health, Wellness, and Character Education.

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.

E. SWEENY GRANTED TENURE

Moved by Trustee Chiachiere, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

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.

CCL 1ST YEAR APPROVED FOR N. ROGERS

Moved by Trustee Chiachiere, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

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.

CCL 1ST YEAR APPROVED FOR T. LANZISERA

Moved by Trustee Chiachiere, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

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.

C. TAVEIRA EMPLOYED AS A REPLACEMENT SPEECH TCHR.

Moved by Trustee Chiachiere, seconded by Trustee Gartner and carried unanimously.

Salary Gates

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

SALARY GATES APPROVED

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

Step 19 – 20 Ilene Ganz effective 12/1/09
Eileen Wallace effective 11/1/09

Moved by Trustee Chiachiere, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

Leave of Absence Without Pay

To approve a Leave of Absence Without Pay for Frances Rosato, Teaching Assistant assigned to James A. Dever and Howell Road Schools, effective December 8, 2009 through January 4, 2010.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE W/O PAY APPROVED FOR F. ROSATO

Moved by Trustee Chiachiere, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

Substitute Teacher List

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

UPDATED SUBSTITUTE LIST APPROVED

Moved by Trustee Chiachiere, seconded by Trustee Evans and carried unanimously.

BUSINESS [J. Greco Jacobs, D. Evans]

Treasurer's Report

To accept the Treasurer's Report for the month ending October 31, 2009.

TREASURER'S REPORT ACCEPTED

Moved by Trustee Greco Jacobs, seconded by Trustee Gartner and carried unanimously.

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:

2009-2010 TRANSPORTATION
CONTRACTS APPROVED

BOCES

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|------------------|------------|----------------------------|
| 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 |

Moved by Trustee Greco Jacobs, seconded by Trustee Evans and carried unanimously.

Increase the Stipend for the Board Run

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

BOARD RUN STIPEND
INCREASED TO \$20 EACH

Moved by Trustee Greco Jacobs, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

POLICY COMMITTEE [W. Stris, T. Speranza]

Policies for 1st Reading

- 2210 Board Reorganization Meeting
- 2510 New Board Member Orientation

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE [Vice President F. Chiachiere]

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.

CSE REVIEWS ADOPTED

Moved by Trustee Chiachere, seconded by Trustee Stris and carried unanimously.

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.

CPSE REVIEWS ADOPTED

Moved by Trustee Chiachere, seconded by Trustee Greco Jacobs and carried unanimously.

Report of the Attorney

Florence Frazer

Attorney Frazer reported on the guidelines for school-based vaccination clinics for H1N1. Arranging a clinic requires a great deal of coordination and exchange of information between the school district, the Department of Health, the vaccination provider and parents. Trustee Chiachiere asked if the district is held "save harmless" if it participated and it was determined that the insurance carrier would have to be consulted.

Executive Session

At 9:12 p.m. on a motion made by Trustee Chiachiere, seconded by Trustee Gartner and carried unanimously, an Executive Session was held for personnel of a particular person with the superintendent invited to attend.

Adjournment

On a motion made by Trustee Stris, seconded by Trustee Gartner and carried unanimously, the meeting was adjourned at 9:33 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Denise Michels

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District Clerk