

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

**AGENDA FOR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

Wednesday, April 27, 2011  
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

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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 **March 15, March 22, 2011**
- 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 \_\_\_\_\_  
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GROUP \_\_\_\_\_

DISTRICT RESIDENT Yes  No  DISTRICT PERSONNEL Yes  No

PRINT/SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_  
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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 Bus Monitor/District Mail Carrier

To accept the resignation of Anthony St. George as a Bus Monitor and District Mail Carrier effective March 29, 2011.

**VII. Committee Reports**

**A. EDUCATION** [J. Gartner, S. Douglas]

1. Education Report - Focus on Technology

2. Tenure Recommendation – Special Education Teacher

After reviewing the recommendation of the Building Principal, and conducting classroom lesson observation and portfolio review, the Superintendent recommends Emily McClelland, Special Education Teacher assigned to James A. Dever and Howell Road Schools, be granted tenure effective June 1, 2011.

3. Resignation of a Librarian

To accept the resignation of Adrienne Hennawi, Librarian assigned to Howell Road School, effective June 30, 2011.

4. Resignation of a Noon Hour Supervisor

To accept the resignation of Marc Gold, Noon Hour Supervisor assigned to Wheeler Avenue School, effective June 30, 2011.

5. Child Care Leave of Absence – 1<sup>st</sup> Year

To accept a Child Care Leave of Absence for Kathleen Ianuale, Classroom Teacher at Wheeler Avenue School effective April 7, 2011 through June 30, 2011 in accordance with the Board/VSTA Contract.

6. Child Care Leave of Absence – 1<sup>st</sup> Year

To accept a Child Care Leave of Absence for Michelle Daddino, Art Teacher at Willow Road School effective April 15, 2011 through June 30, 2011 in accordance with the Board/VSTA Contract.

7. Child Care Leave of Absence – 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Year

To accept a Child Care Leave of Absence for Mary Frances Scott, Music Teacher at Wheeler Avenue School effective May 3, 2011 through June 30, 2011; and September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 in accordance with the Board/VSTA Contract.

8. Child Care Leave of Absence – 1<sup>st</sup> Year

To accept a Child Care Leave of Absence for Janis Boremski, Art Teacher at James A. Dever School effective May 10, 2011 through June 30, 2011 in accordance with the Board/VSTA Contract.

9. Employment of a Replacement Classroom Teacher

To employ Mary Danna as a Replacement Classroom Teacher at Wheeler Avenue School effective April 7, 2011 through June 30, 2011 on Step 1MA (\$64,632) in accordance with the Board/VSTA contract in effect on the date employment begins.

10. Employment of a Replacement Art Teacher

To employ Donna Geidel as a Replacement Art Teacher at Willow Road School effective April 26, 2011 through June 30, 2011 on Step 1MA (\$64,632) in accordance with the Board/VSTA contract in effect on the date employment begins.

11. Employment of a Replacement Music Teacher

To employ Yan Zhu as a Replacement Music Teacher at Wheeler Avenue School effective May 3, 2011 through June 30, 2011 on Step 1MA (\$64,632) in accordance with the Board/VSTA contract in effect on the date employment begins.

12. Employment of a Replacement Art Teacher

To employ Christopher Karas as a Replacement Art Teacher at James A. Dever Avenue School effective May 10, 2011 through June 30, 2011 on Step 1BA (\$55,574) in accordance with the Board/VSTA contract in effect on the date employment begins.

13. Excessing Three Classroom Teachers

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District #13 hereby excesses the services of three elementary classroom teachers, Andrea DiMango, Jillian Mendes, and Jennifer Ferreiro effective June 30, 2011; and places Jennifer Ferreiro, Jillian Mendes, and Andrea DiMango on the Preferred Eligibility List for the Elementary Tenure Area effective June 30, 2011.

14. Excessing One-Half Psychologist Position

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District #13 hereby excesses the services of one-half Psychologist, Karen Jason, effective June 30, 2011; and places Karen Jason on the Preferred Eligibility List for the School Psychologist Tenure Area effective June 30, 2011; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District #13 appoints Karen Jason as a part-time (.5) School Psychologist effective September 1, 2011.

15. Excessing One-Half Special Education Position

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District #13 hereby excesses the services of one-half Special Education Teacher, Emily McClelland, effective June 30, 2011; and places Emily McClelland on the Preferred Eligibility List for the Special Education Tenure Area effective June 30, 2011; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District #13 appoints Emily McClelland as a part-time (.5) Special Education Teacher effective September 1, 2011.

16. Excessing One-Half ESL Position

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District #13 hereby excesses the services of one-half ESL Teacher, Lucia Kemnitzer, effective June 30, 2011; and places Lucia Kemnitzer on the Preferred Eligibility List for the ESL Teacher Tenure Area effective June 30, 2011; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District #13 appoints Lucia Kemnitzer as a part-time (.5) ESL Teacher effective September 1, 2011.

17. Excessing One and One-Half Speech Positions

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District #13 hereby excesses the services of one and one-half Speech Teachers, Christy Taveira and Tara Lanzisera effective June 30, 2011; and places Tara Lanzisera and Christy Taveira on the Preferred Eligibility List for the Speech and Language Disabilities Tenure Area effective June 30, 2011.

18. Employment of a Part-time Speech Teacher

To employ Christy Taveira as a part-time (.5) Speech Teacher effective September 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012 on Step 2MA (\$66,786 pro-rated).

19. Stipend for Testing Coordinator

To approve a stipend of \$850 (pro-rated) for Andrea DiMango, Testing Coordinator, effective November 29, 2011.

20. Substitute Teacher List

To approve the updated Substitute Teacher List for the 2010-2011 school year.

**B. BUSINESS** [J. DiSibio, D. Evans]

1. Treasurer's Report

To accept the Treasurer's Report dated March 31, 2011.

2. Property Tax Report Card

To approve the Real Property Tax Report Card prepared by the District's Business Office for the 2011 Annual District Meeting; and that a copy of said report card shall be submitted to the State Education Department by the end of the next business day following this approval.

3. Budget Transfer

To approve the following budget transfers effective April 28, 2011.

*From:*

A9040.800.01 Workers' Compensation Insurance \$12,500

*To:*

A1430.400.01 Personnel Advertisements \$12,500

*From:*

A1620.421.02 Dever Fuel Oil \$20,000

*To:*

A1620.421.05 Willow Fuel Oil \$16,000

A1620.421.03 Howell Fuel Oil \$ 4,000

4. SCOPE Before and After School Program

To approve the contract between SCOPE and Valley Stream UFSD Thirteen for the Before and After School Child Care Program for 2011-2012, and authorize the Board President to sign said contract.

5. Transportation Consultant Contract

To approve the Transportation Consultant Contract, in cooperation with the Nassau County Southwest Transportation Cooperative, with Nancy Nunziata for 2011-2012 not to exceed \$2,500.

6. Employment of a Secretary for the Summer Recreation Program

To employ Joseph Consolazio as a Summer Recreation Secretary for the 2011 Summer Recreation Program effective July 1, 2011 at a salary of \$1,950.

**C. POLICY COMMITTEE** [W. Stris, J. Greco Jacobs]

**D. COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE** [Vice President J. Gartner]

1. Appointment of the Superintendent of Schools

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the Board of Education of the Valley Stream Union Free School District #13 appoints Dr. Adrienne Robb-Fund as Superintendent of Schools, at an annual salary of \$195,000 effective July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2014, with the terms and conditions of employment as contained in an agreement dated April 27, 2011; and authorizes the Board President to execute said agreement on behalf of the Board.

2. Committee on Special Education Reviews

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Special Education Reviews 3/11, 3/15, 3/16Wi, 3/16Viscardi, 3/17, 3/21, 3/22, 3/23, 3/25, and 3/29/11.

3. Committee on Pre-School Special Education Review

To ratify and adopt the Committee on Pre-School Special Education Review 3/10, 3/16, 3/18, and 4/4/11.

4. Home Tutoring

To approve home tutoring for a fifth grade student at Wheeler Avenue School effective April 5, 2011 for two weeks; tutor: Guy Jacob.

5. Home Tutoring

To approve home tutoring for a third grade student at Wheeler Avenue School effective April 26, 2011 for two months; tutor: Kristen Mundy.

6. BOCES Tentative Administrative Budget for 2011- 2012

WHEREAS, the Board of Cooperative Educational Services of Nassau County (BOCES) has proposed and presented its proposed Administrative Operations Budget for the 2011- 2012 school year (July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012), now therefore be it

RESOLVED, that the BOCES tentative administrative budget for the 2011- 2012 school year in the amount of eighteen million, nine hundred forty-seven thousand, one hundred seventy-eight dollars (\$18,947,178) be, and hereby is approved by this Board.

7. Election of Board Members to BOCES Board of Education

Three BOCES board seats must be voted upon. Three full-term seats will expire on June 30, 2011. Each Board may cast one vote for each vacancy to be filled, a total of three votes.

Resolution - To authorize the District Clerk to complete the Ballot and Clerk's Certificate indicating for whom the District Thirteen Board of Education has cast its three votes, namely \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_.

8. Acceptance of a Donation

To accept a donation from the James A. Dever faculty and staff of a Weeping Cherry Tree and a granite memorial plaque in memory of Frances S. Fortunato-Freeman with an approximate value of \$600.

**VIII. Report of the Attorney**

Florence Frazer

- IX. Old Business**
- X. New Business**
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