

VALLEY STREAM UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT THIRTY  
BOARD OF EDUCATION REGULAR MEETING AGENDA  
MONDAY, JANUARY 26, 2009  
SHAW AVENUE LIBRARY MEDIA CENTER, 7:30 P.M.

**I. Executive Session**

The Board will convene into executive session for the purpose of negotiations.

**II. Call to Order**

- A. Pledge of Allegiance

**III. Superintendent's Report**

- A. R. S. Abrams 2007-08 Claims Audit Report
- B. BLT Training
- C. Strategic Planning Update
- D. K/1 Anti Bullying Program
- E. Other

**IV. Board President's Report**

- A. Budget Update
- B. Correspondence
- C. Other

**V. Public Comment**

**VI. Approval of Minutes**

A. Reading/Adoption of Minutes (see attachments)

- 1. Will the Board of Education dispense with the reading of the minutes as listed?

Regular Meeting	December 22, 2008
Work Session Meeting	January 12, 2009
  
- 2. Will the Board of Education accept as presented the minutes as listed?

Regular Meeting	December 22, 2008
Work Session Meeting	January 12, 2009

**VII. Education – New Business**

A. Committee for Special Education

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Special Education, will the Board of Education provide programs and services for the following special education students as indicated?

B. Committee for Preschool Special Education

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Preschool Special Education, will the Board of Education provide programs and services for the following preschool special education students as indicated?

**VII. Education – New Business (continued)**

C. Valley Stream UFSD Thirty Special Education Plan

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education accept and approve the Special Education Plan submitted by Harriet Rabinowitz, Director of Special Education? (Mrs. Rabinowitz' memorandum is attached. The Special Education Plan is on file in the central office.)

D. Resignation – Contract Substitute Teacher

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education retroactively accept Tanya Quinones letter of resignation from the position of 3-day contract substitute teacher at Clear Stream Avenue School and 1-day contract substitute teacher at Forest Road School effective 12/23/09?

E. Appointment – Substitute Teacher/ Contract Substitute Teacher

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education approve the appointment of Jennifer M. Ward to the position of substitute teacher at the per diem rate of \$105 for substitute teachers, beginning 01/27/09, and upon receipt of teacher certification to become a 3-day Contract Substitute Teacher at the Clear Stream Ave. School, Mon., Tues., and Wed., at the per diem rate for contract substitute teachers of \$115, terminating 06/30/09?

F. Membership

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education approve a membership in Reform Education Financing Inequities Today (R.E.F.I.T) at a cost of \$600.00 for the 2008-09 school year?

G. Co-Liaisons for Homeless Children

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education approve the appointment of Laurie Buelvas-Kristas and Dawn Ragone, School Social Workers, as the Co-Liaisons for homeless children? The above was recommended by Harriett Rabinowitz, Director of Special Education.

H. Saturday Academy

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education retroactively approve the prorated hourly salary, as indicated below, for the following teacher participating in the Saturday Academy?

Michelle Rabinowitz MA, Step 1 hourly rate \$52.04

I. Home Tutor Services

1. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education retroactively approve the provision of home tutoring services (one hour per day) for a 6<sup>th</sup> grade student for the period 1/12/09 through 1/30/09, or until such time as the student is authorized by their physician to return to school?
2. Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education retroactively approve the assignment of Maura Brennan to provide home tutoring services (1 hour per day), at the contract home tutor rate of \$39.37 per hour for a 6<sup>th</sup> grade student for the period 1/12/09 through 1/30/09, or until such time as the student is authorized by their physician to return to school?

**VII. Education – New Business (continued)**

J. Board of Education Policies

Will the Board of Education accept and approve for the third and final public reading the following board regulation?

Policy #

5420-R

Student Health Services Regulation

**VIII. Business – New Business**

A. Resignation – School Monitor P/T

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education retroactively accept the resignation of Ishira Malhotra from the position of School Monitor P/T at the Forest Road School effective 12/23/08?

B. Step Increase – Teacher Aide

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education approve the following step increase effective 02/09/09?

Rose Kelly      Teacher Aide/Clear Stream Ave.      Step 3      \$18,226

C. Probationary Appointment – Senior Account Clerk

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education retroactively approve the appointment of Rosann Colucci to the position of Senior Account Clerk, at a rate of \$49,128 effective January 19, 2009, in accordance with Ed Cullen’s recommendation memo dated January 12, 2009?

D. Audit Reports/Special Education Consortium

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education accept and approve the attached audit reports from the school attorney and internal auditor regarding the special education consortium?

E. Special Education Service Provider Agreement

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education accept and approve, subject to the changes requested by the school attorney, special education services provider agreements with Kids Success, ACDS and Carole Kornswieg? Please note that the above is part of the special education purchasing consortium. Please see the attached documents.

F. Special Education Service Provider Agreement

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education accept and approve, subject to the changes requested by the school attorney, an agreement with the Variety Child Learning Center and authorize the board president to execute such? Please see the attached documents

G. Professional Development for Literacy Instruction Agreement

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education accept and approve an agreement with LitLife, Inc. and authorize the board president to execute such? The school attorney has reviewed said agreement. Please see the attached documents.

## **VIII. Business – New Business (continued)**

### H. Increase Nassau Boces Letter of Intent

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education retroactively authorize an estimated increase of \$1,500 in the 2008-09 Nassau BOCES Letter of Intent for the furnishing and installation of data cabling to support the viewing of the Presidential Inauguration in all school buildings? Please see the attached documents.

### I. Obsolete Equipment

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education declare the Royal PowerWriter electric typewriter, located in the central office (fixed asset tag # 000471), obsolete and authorize the disposal of such? Please see the attached document.

### J. Annual Facilities Report Cards

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education accept and approve the attached annual facilities report cards and authorize the submission of such to the State Education Department?

### K. Proposal

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education accept and approve the attached proposal for the reconstruction/renovation of the business office area in the not-to-exceed amount of \$18,895.00?

### L. Local Government Efficiency Grant

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education accept and approve the attached Nassau BOCES resolution for the purposes of submitting a local government efficiency grant? Please see the attached documents.

### M. Target Grant

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education accept and approve the attached Target Grant in the amount of \$800 to be used for a student trip to the Bellmore Theatre?

### N. Tree Donation

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education accept the tree donation by the Cornell University Cooperative Extension Nassau County with a value of \$200? Please see the attached documents.

### O. Counseling Services

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education accept and approve the attached Memorandum of Understanding from Peninsula Counseling Center for Counseling Services? The school attorney has reviewed said document.

## **IX. Finance – New Business**

### A. Treasurer's Report

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education accept and approve the attached Treasurer's Report for the month ending December 2008?

**IX. Finance – New Business (continued)**

B. Revenue & Expenditure Reports

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education accept and approve the 2008-09 Revenue and Expenditure Reports (both through December 23, 2008) that are attached?

C. Transfers Between Accounts (2008-09)

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education approve the transfers between accounts for the 2008-09 school year as delineated in the attached sheet?

D. Claims Auditor Findings

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, will the Board of Education adopt the internal claim audit finding of R. S. Abrams for their December 15, 2008 and January 06, 2009 visits? Please note that 480 items were reviewed and there were 5 non-conformances (99% in conformance)? Please see the attached documents.

**X. Building & Grounds – Items of Information**

A. Monthly Maintenance Report

The Maintenance Report for December is attached.

B. Vandalism Report

The Vandalism Report for December is attached.

**XI. Old Business**

**XII. Public Comment**