

**These are the official minutes of the regular meeting of the Valley Stream UFSD #30 Board of Education as corrected.**

**Date:** September 21, 2009

**Location of Meeting:**  
Shaw Avenue Library Media Center

**Board Members Present:**

K. Cummings, E. Antonelli, M. Fletcher  
C. Stewart, C. Pean

**Board Members Absent:**

None

**Staff Members Present:**

E. Kanas, Superintendent of Schools  
E. Cullen, Assistant Superintendent for Business

A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m. at which time a motion was made by Trustee Antonelli, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried, to go into Executive Session.

On a motion by Trustee Antonelli, seconded by Trustee Fletcher and carried, the executive session was adjourned and the regular meeting was reconvened at 8:10 pm.

**Board Members Present:**

K. Cummings, E. Antonelli, M. Fletcher  
C. Stewart, C. Pean

**Board Members Absent:**

None

**Staff Members Present:**

E. Kanas, Superintendent of Schools  
E. Cullen, Assistant Superintendent for Business  
A. Hudson, H. Levine, E. Malone Building Principals  
G. Poole, Director of Curriculum and Instruction  
R. Meloni, Director of Technology  
A. O'Brien, District Clerk

**Staff Member Absent or Excused**

H. Rabinowitz, Director of Special Education  
G. Abbate, Director of Facilities

**Others in Attendance:**

J. Innella, R. Creeron, J. Lavery, D. Jean-Baptiste, A Tassaint, E Tassaint, M. Golfo, N. McInerney, T. Farrell, M. Neckonoff, D. Maerhofer, N. Cange, J. Lufrano

**I. Superintendent's Report**

- a. Dr. Kanas gave a Strategic Planning Committee update.
- b. Dr. Kanas summarized the CIAC goals for the 2009-10 year. G. Poole, T. Farrell, D. Maerhofer and J. Lufrano presented on the PDP (Professional Development Plan) that supports the CIAC goals.
- c. The Monthly Reports were accepted as submitted.

**II. Board President's Report**

- a. Correspondence – There was one letter from Thomas A. Williams Esq. regarding A. D'Agostino.

**III. Public Comment**

- a. A question was asked regarding sharing the ELA results (benchmark) throughout the year.
- b. A question was asked regarding the goals of 2009-10.

**V. Approval of Minutes**

- a. Reading/Adoption of Minutes (see attachments)
  - 1. On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Fletcher and carried, the Board of Education dispensed with the reading of the minutes as listed.  

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  - 2. On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Fletcher and carried, the Board of Education accepted the minutes as listed.  

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August 24, 2009

**VI. Education Committee – New Business**

- a. Leave for Health  
 On a motion by Trustee Antonelli, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried, the Board of Education approved Jeanine Lichter’s request for a leave for health, (which will run concurrently with her FMLA), under §5.11.2 of the Agreement between the Valley Stream Teachers’ Association, Local 1633, and the Valley Stream UFSD #30 Board of Education beginning 10/15/09 noon and ending on or about 01/04/10.

- b. Clubs  
 On a motion by Trustee Antonelli, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried, the Board of Education approved the following clubs for the 2009-10 school year as indicated.

<u>Gr.</u>	<u>Club Name</u>	<u>Club Focus</u>	<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Approx. # of Students</u>	<u>Club Leve</u>	<u>Rate</u>	<u>Approx Start Date</u>
5	Reading Enrichment	To improve reading skills	D. Neiss	8-10	C-2	\$1,449	01/10

- c. Substitute Registry Personnel  
 On a motion by Trustee Antonelli, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried, the Board of Education approved the per diem substitute registry personnel appointments as follows.

<u>Substitute Teacher</u>	<u>Beginning on or about</u>	<u>Ending</u>
Michelle Jurasits	09/22/09	06/30/10
Jillian Gangi	09/22/09	06/30/10
Nazika Insanally	09/22/09	06/30/10
Allison Siegfried	09/22/09	06/30/10
Jennifer Andrews	09/22/09	06/30/10
Kristan Lotito	09/22/09	06/30/10
Daniel Bradley	09/22/09	06/30/10
Lauren Micciche	09/22/09	06/30/10

**VI. Education Committee – New Business (continued)**

d. Committee for Special Education

On a motion by Trustee Antonelli, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried, the Board of Education agreed to provide programs and services for the following special education students as indicated.

e. Committee for Preschool Special Education

On a motion by Trustee Antonelli, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried, the Board of Education agreed to provide programs and services for the following preschool special education students as indicated.

f. Social Work Student Intern

On a motion by Trustee Antonelli, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried, the Board of Education authorized the placement of the following student intern.

<b>University/Student</b>	<b>Assignment</b>	<b>Duration</b>
<u>Adelphi University</u> Lauren DeVito	<u>Clear Stream/Forest Road</u> Dawn Ragone	2009-2010 school year

g. Student Participant Observers

On a motion by Trustee Antonelli, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried, the Board of Education authorized placement of the following student participant observers.

<b>University/Student</b>	<b>School/Assignment</b>	<b>Duration</b>
<u>Hofstra University</u> Mark Lerman	<u>Clear Stream Ave.</u> Jonathan Greiss/PE	25 hours
<u>Hofstra University</u> Jamie Keslowitz	<u>Shaw Ave.</u> Paul Farinacci/Art	20 hours

h. Student Teacher

On a motion by Trustee Antonelli, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried, and upon fingerprint clearance, the Board of Education authorized placement of the following student teacher.

<b>University/Student</b>	<b>School/Assignment</b>	<b>Duration</b>
<u>Molloy College</u> Erica Bronner	<u>Shaw Ave.</u> Joyce Smithok, Gr. 2 <u>Forest Road</u> Cathy Wood, Sp.Ed.	1 <sup>st</sup> experience, fall sem. 2 <sup>nd</sup> experience, fall sem.

i. Membership

On a motion by Trustee Antonelli, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried, the Board of Education approved the annual membership fee of \$100 each for D. Ragone and A. Pernick as the Crisis Intervention Certified Instructors (CPI) – Certificate Year: 10/17/09 – 10/17/10.

**VI. Education Committee – New Business (continued)**

j. Consultant Services

On a motion by Trustee Antonelli, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried, the Board of Education accepted and approved the attached contract for the provision of additional training and related costs in the area of the Wilson Reading System: Applied Methods, during the 2009-10 school year at a not-to-exceed cost of \$5,500. Please note that this will be funded via the General Fund - \$1,900 and NCLB Title 11A - \$3,600

k. Club Teacher Addition

On a motion by Trustee Antonelli, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried, the Board of Education approved, due to the increase in the number of students participating, the addition of Laura Argento as co-teacher (C-1 stipend prorated) to the AIS ELA Club, grades 5 & 6, at Forest Road School? (Joanna Rashkin the original club teacher will now receive the C-111 stipend prorated)

**VII. Business – New Business**

a. Resignation

On a motion by Trustee Fletcher, seconded by Trustee Antonelli and carried, the Board of Education, accepted the letter of resignation from Sally Kaplan, Forest Road School Nurse effective close of business 10/02/09.

b. Civil Service Appointments

On a motion by Trustee Fletcher, seconded by Trustee Antonelli and carried, the Board of Education, approved the following civil service appointments, in accordance with the salary schedule in effect for non-aligned employees.

Name	Position	Appointment	Step/Salary	School	Effective Date
Susan Calvo	Teacher aide	Probationary	Step 3	Forest Road	09/22/09
Lisa Miller	Teacher Aide	Probationary	Step 1	Shaw Ave.	09/22/09

c. Salaries – Non-Aligned Staff

On a motion by Trustee Fletcher, seconded by Trustee Antonelli and carried, the Board of Education approved the attached salary schedule for the 2009-10 school year covering staff not represented by bargaining units.

d. Policies, Regulations and Exhibits

On a motion by Trustee Fletcher, seconded by Trustee Antonelli and carried, the Board of Education reaffirmed all policies, regulations and exhibits that have been previously approved.

e. GASB 45

On a motion by Trustee Fletcher, seconded by Trustee Antonelli and carried, the Board of Education accepted and approved the attached contract with the Harbridge Consulting Group in the not-to-exceed amount of \$8,300 for the purposes of providing Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) 45 valuations for the 2009-10 fiscal year.

f. Obsolete Equipment

On a motion by Trustee Fletcher, seconded by Trustee Antonelli and carried, the Board of Education declared the Brother Intellifax obsolete, and authorize the environmental disposal of such.

## **VII. Business – New Business - continued**

### **g. Fire Damaged Equipment**

On a motion by Trustee Fletcher, seconded by Trustee Antonelli and carried, the Board of Education declared the attached list of equipment nonfunctional due to the Shaw Avenue fire and authorized the environmental disposal of such. Please note that this equipment will be replaced via an insurance claim.

### **h. Increase in Nassau BOCES Letter of Intent**

On a motion by Trustee Fletcher, seconded by Trustee Antonelli and carried, the Board of Education approved an increase of \$2,575 in the Nassau BOCES 2009-10 letter of intent, for the purposes of joining the Western Suffolk BOCES School Health Network.

### **i. Consultant Services**

On a motion by Trustee Fletcher, seconded by Trustee Antonelli and carried, the Board of Education accepted and approved the attached contract with Joel Mitchell for residency consulting services for the 2009-10 school year.

## **VIII. Finance – New Business**

### **a. Treasurer's Reports**

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Antonelli and carried, the Board of Education accepted and approved the attached Treasurer's Reports for the month ending August 2009.

### **b. Revenue & Expenditure Reports 2009-10**

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Fletcher and carried, the Board of Education accepted and approved the 2009-10 Revenue and Expenditure Reports (both through August 28, 2009) that are attached.

### **c. Transfers Between Accounts (2009-10)**

On a motion by Trustee Antonelli, seconded by Trustee Antonelli and carried, the Board of Education approved the transfers between accounts for the 2009-10 school year as delineated in the attached sheet.

### **d. Claims Auditor Findings**

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Fletcher and carried, the Board of Education adopted the internal claim audit finding of R. S. Abrams for their August 18 and September 3, 2009 visits. Please note that 348 items were reviewed and there were 3 non-conformances (99.1% in conformance). Please see the attached documents.

## **IX. Items of Information**

### **a. Buildings & Grounds**

The Maintenance Report for the month of September 2009 was accepted as submitted.  
The Vandalism Report for the month of September 2009 was accepted as submitted.

## **X. Old Business**

There was none

**XI. Public Comment**

- a. A statement was made regarding consolidation.
- b. A question was asked regarding retaining staff.
- c. A question was asked regarding a pre-K program.
- d. A question was asked regarding Western Suffolk Boces School Health Network.

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Fletcher and carried, the regular meeting was adjourned and the executive session was reconvened at 9:58 pm.

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Fletcher and carried, the executive session was adjourned, the regular meeting was reconvened and immediately adjourned at 10:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne O'Brien  
District Clerk