

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

Date: January 31, 2011

Location of Meeting:
Shaw Avenue Library Media Center

Board Members Present:

E. Antonelli, C. Pean, K. Cummings
C Stewart, J. Lavery

Board Members Absent:

Staff Members Present:

E. Kanas, Superintendent of Schools
L. Rutkoske, Assistant Superintendent for Business
R. Meloni, Director of Technology
G. Poole, Director of Curriculum and Instruction
P. Stellino – Interim Director of Special Education
A. Hudson, J. Singleton, Building Principals
G. Abbate, Director of Facilities
A. O'Brien, District Clerk

Staff Member Absent:

E. Malone, Building Principal

Others in Attendance:

D. Jean-Baptiste, J. Innella, A. Hackmack, E. Hurdle, M. McKenzie, S. Mabyakeen, M. Sador, C. Registre, A. Registre, M. Torres, M. Mahoney, C. Gonzalez, D. Rossello, S. Lombardo, N. Bart, Y. Thompson, M. Estevez, D. Cerrone, E. Guilbaud, J. Francis, D. Ryce, A. Little Dawes, L. Limage, W. Walkin, Y. Bolden, N. Wilson, L. Shene, C. Rudolfsky, M. Jest-Din, S. Balock, O. Chan, J. Robe, M. Chamblin, T. Ellington, V. Dunn, A. O'Sinem, G. Frederique, M. Akhtar, S. Akhtar, P. Hurdle, D. Rufari, C. Exume, J. Ryan, A. Lewis, M. Charles, S. Manning, L. Sisco, A. Pernick, Y. Chon, J. Levine, et al.

I. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 8:05 p.m.

II. Superintendent's Report

- a. S. Roebucke from Keane and Beane, and S. Lombardo gave an update on policy #5420.
- b. Dr. Kanas updated the public on the District's Strategic Plan.
- c. L. Rutkoske gave a presentation of the first draft of the proposed 2011-12 budget
- d. The First Public Reading Board Policies, Regulations and Exhibits (#5400 - #5800) were presented.
- e. The Second Public Reading Board Policies, Regulations and Exhibits (#0100, #0100-R), (#5000 – #5251) were presented.
- f. The Third Public Reading Board Policies, Regulations and Exhibits (#6700, #6700-R) were presented.
- g. The monthly reports were accepted as submitted.

III. Board President's Report

- a. Correspondence – There was a thank you note from a faculty member.

IV. Public Comment - There was none

V. Approval of Minutes

- a. Reading/Adoption of Minutes (see attachments)
 1. On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried the Board of Education dispensed with the reading of the minutes as listed.
 - Regular Meeting December 20, 2010
 - Work Session Meeting January 24, 2011
 2. On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried the Board of Education accepted as corrected the minutes as listed.
 - Regular Meeting December 20, 2010
 - Work Session Meeting January 24, 2011

VI. Education – New Business

- a. Appointment
On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried the Board of Education retroactively approved Denise Winter’s appointment as the districts co-liaison for homeless children under the supervision of the Interim Director of Special Education or the Superintendent’s designee while D.Ragone is on leave of absence.

- b. Appointment – LTPD Substitute Teacher
On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried the Board of Education retroactively approved the following Long Term Per Diem Substitute teacher appointment at the daily rate of \$115.00, with no benefits.

<u>LTPD Substitute</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending on or About</u>
Gail Gomula	Forest Road	01/03/11	03/30/11

- c. Resignation – Contract Substitute Teacher
On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried the Board of Education accepted the resignation of Michael Caramanico from the position of Contract Substitute Teacher effective close of business 01/28/11.

- d. Appointment Substitute Teachers
On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried the Board of Education approved the per diem substitute registry personnel appointments at the daily rate of \$105.00, with no benefits.

<u>Substitute Teacher</u>	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>
Lauren Citron	02/01/11	06/30/11
Jennifer Hubbard	02/01/11	06/30/11
Mark Indiviglio	02/01/11	06/30/11
Melissa Pascuma-Gangi	02/01/11	06/30/11
Melissa Monforte	02/01/11	06/30/11
Wendy Soberanis	02/01/11	06/30/11
Michael Caramanico	02/01/11	06/30/11

VI. Education – New Business (continued)

e. Amendment of Motion - Substitute Registry Personnel

On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried the Board of Education approved the amendment of the appointment of the following individuals to the position of substitute teacher – to read - at the per diem rate for **substitute teachers** for the 2010-11 school year. (This motion was originally approved at the 12/20/10 VI-C meeting where the per diem rate for **contract substitute** was erroneously entered.)

<u>Substitute Teacher</u>	<u>Beginning</u>	<u>Ending</u>
Danielle Barbaro	12/21/10	06/30/11
Lisa Brown	12/21/10	06/30/11
Kiran Hayat	12/21/10	06/30/11
Jaclyn Craig	12/21/10	06/30/11

f. Appointments – AIS Academy

On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried the Board of Education retroactively approved the appointments of the following additional teachers to the AIS Academy, to be paid at the agreed upon rate set in the Side Agreement with the Valley Stream Teacher’s Association for the school year 2010-11.

Academy Teacher - effective date January 3, 2011:

G. Kopsick (Ms. Kopsick has replaced Ms. Lewis who was unable to continue.)

Academy Teachers - effective date January 18, 2011:

J. Rashkin, S. Debler, B. Purcell, N. Saunders, S. Lipski, N. Insanally, M. Neckonoff, L. Alonso, R. Daswani, R. Decker-Lawson and C. Wood.

Alternate Teachers - effective date January 18, 2011:

L. Broyles, J. Gatoff, K. Gambino, K. Navin and D. Neiss

g. Student Teacher Placement

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

<u>University/Student</u>	<u>School/Assignment</u>	<u>Duration</u>
<u>Touro College</u>	Shaw Avenue School	
Loredana Amoroso	M. Schweigert	2/1/11-5/20/11
	Kindergarten/Inclusion class	

h. Committee for Special Education

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

i. Amendment of Motion - Special Education – 2 Year District Plan/2010-2012

On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried the Board of Education approved the amendment of the Special Education 2 Year District Plan motion (which was adopted on 12/20/10, item VI-e) taking out the language “**with the provision that the notification date for home schooled students requesting special education services expires 06/30/12**” as per attorney recommendation. (This plan is on file in the office of the Superintendent.)

VI. Education – New Business (continued)

j. ARRA & Special Legislative Grant

On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried the Board of Education retroactively approved the submittal and disbursement of the ARRA Title 1, Parts A & D, ARRA Section 611, ARRA Section 619, ARRA Education Stabilization Fund and Special Legislative grants for the 2010-11 school year, and ratified and confirmed all actions taken by administration and staff in that regard.

k. ARRA Education Jobs Fund Grant

On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried the Board of Education approved the submittal and disbursement of the ARRA Education Jobs Fund grant for the 2010-11 and 2011-12 school years.

l. Membership

On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried the Board of Education retroactively approved the membership with the NYS Association of School Business Officials for the school year 2010-11, for the Assistant Superintendent for Business, at a cost of \$626.64.

m. Special Education/Grievance Procedure

On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried the Board of Education adopted the attached Grievance Procedure as required by policy #5020.3 “Rights of Students with Disabilities under Section 504”.

n. Board of Education Policies, Regulations and Exhibits

On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried the Board of Education accepted and approved the following board policies, regulations and exhibits. (These policies are on file in the Office of the Superintendent.)

<u>Policy #</u>	
4452	Tutoring
4511	Textbook Selection and Adoption
4513	Library Materials Selection
4526-R	Computer Use in Instruction Regulation
4531	Field Trips and Excursions
4531-R	Field Trips and Excursions Regulation
4532	School Volunteers
4710	Grading Systems
4714	Parent Conferences
4714-R	Parent Conferences Regulation
4750	Promotion and Retention of Students
4772	Sixth Grade Promotion Exercises
4810	Teaching about Controversial Issues
6640	Inventories
6645	Capital Assets Accounting
6700	Purchasing
6700-R	Purchasing Regulation

VII. Business – New Business

a. Termination – P/T Cleaner

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried the Board of Education approved the termination of Francesco Giuliano from the position of Cleaner P/T Substitute effective 1/31/11.

b. Resignation – School Monitor P/T

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried the Board of Education approved the letter of resignation from Shazma Sadozai, from the position of School Monitor P/T effective 01/31/11.

c. Appointments

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>Position</u>	<u>Appointment</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Delia Carrillo	School Monitor*	Part Time	1	FRS	2/1/2011
Francesco Giuliano	Cleaner*	Part Time	1	CSA	2/1/2011
Rosario Luz	School Monitor*	Part Time	1	FRS	2/1/2011
Karen Supple	Teacher Aide	Probationary	1	FRS	2/1/2011

* with no benefits

d. Consultant

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried the Board of Education approved Bruce J. Bingham & Associates, Inc. to perform the NYSED Annual Fire Safety Inspection districtwide, at a cost of \$900.00.

e. Legal Services

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried the Board of Education hereby approved an agreement for legal services dated 02/01/11 between Valley Stream UFSD 30 and Hamburger, Maxson, Yaffe, Knauer and McNally, LLP as attached, and authorized the Board President to execute said agreement.

f. Annual Meeting

1. On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried the Board of Education adopted the resolution calling for the annual vote to be held Tuesday, May 17, 2011 (6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.) and setting the date for registration, Tuesday, May 10, 2011, (4:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.); appointing the Board of Registration and Canvass for said vote and authorizing the appointment of Chief Inspectors, Assistant Inspectors and Inspectors of Election by the District Clerk to carry out the necessary procedures for the registration day and voting day.
2. On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried the Board of Education authorized the publishing of this resolution in *Newsday* and the *Valley Stream Herald*.
3. On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried the Board of Education adopted the resolution setting April 18, 2011 as the final date to receive petitions to be placed on the ballot for the 2011 annual meeting.

VII. Business – New Business (continued)

f. Annual Meeting (continued)

4. On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried the Board of Education set April 18, 2011 as the final date to receive petitions for Board candidates. (Board candidate petitions require 25 signatures of qualified voters of the District or 2% of those who voted in the previous annual election; whichever is greater, in accordance with §2018 of the State Education Law.) All petitions must be received before 5:00 p.m. on April 18, 2011. The signature on the above mentioned petitions must be signatures of residents qualified to vote in the coming election.

g. Donation – Box Tops for Education

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried the Board of Education approved the receipt and expenditures of \$1,211.50 as delineated in the attachment in the general fund. Please note that the general fund budget would be increased by said amount.

h. Donation – Terra Cycle, Inc

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried the Board of Education approved the receipt and expenditures of \$61.90 as delineated in the attachment in the general fund. Please note that the general fund budget would be increased by said amount.

VIII. Finance – New Business

a. Treasurer’s Report

On a motion by Trustee Lavery, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried the Board of Education accepted and approved the attached Treasurer’s Report for the month ending December 2010.

b. Revenue & Expenditure Reports

On a motion by Trustee Lavery, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried the Board of Education accepted and approved the 2010-11 Revenue and Expenditure Reports that are attached.

c. Transfers Between Accounts

On a motion by Trustee Lavery, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried the Board of Education approved the transfers between accounts for the 2010-11 school year as delineated in the attached sheet.

d. Claims Auditor Findings

On a motion by Trustee Lavery, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried the Board of Education adopted the internal claim audit finding of R. S. Abrams for their 12/21/10 and 01/05/11 visits. Please note that 281 items were reviewed and there were 0 non-conformances (100% in conformance). Please see the attached documents.

IX. Items of Information

a. Monthly Maintenance Report

The monthly maintenance report for January was accepted as submitted.

b. Vandalism Report

The monthly vandalism report for January was accepted as submitted.

X. Old Business

There was none.

XI. Public Comment

There were nine statements made regarding school issues and concerns.

On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Lavery and carried the regular meeting was adjourned at 10:17 p.m. to go into Executive Session at 10:30 p.m. for the purposes of discussing the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation.

On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried the Executive Session was adjourned at 10:50 p.m. and the regular meeting was reconvened at 10:51 pm.

On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Pean and carried the regular meeting was adjourned at 10:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne O'Brien
District Clerk