

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

**Date:** December 20, 2010

**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, C. Hunt, S. Distler, P. Serio, S. Aragona, M. Mahoney, E. Dody M. Ficarotta, M. Golfo, C. Walters, A. Pernick, R. Trieber, K. Moran, Y. Chon, et al.

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

**II. Superintendent's Report**

- a. R. Trieber was recognized by the District for her humanitarian work in Haiti.
- b. C. Hunt from John A. Grillo, P.C. spoke on the Building Condition Survey/5 Year building Plan and K. Moran from Johnson Controls spoke on Energy Performance.
- c. Dr. Kanas updated the public on the upcoming Budget Forum.
- d. Dr. Kanas updated the public on the District's Strategic Plan.
- e. The First Public Reading Board Policies, Regulations and Exhibits (0100, 0100-R), (5000 – 5251) were presented.
- f. The Second Public Reading Board Policies, Regulations and Exhibits (6700, 6700-R) were presented.
- g. The Third Public Reading Board Policies, Regulations and Exhibits (#4452 - #4810), (4526-R), (#6640, #6645) were presented.
- h. The monthly reports were accepted as submitted.

**III. Board President's Report**

- a. Trustee Antonelli gave an update on the Purchasing Council.
- b. Correspondence – There was none.

**IV. Public Comment**

There was none.

**V. Approval of Minutes**

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

Regular Meeting	November 29, 2010
Work Session Meeting	December 13, 2010
  - 2. On a motion by trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Lavery and carried the Board of Education accepted as presented the minutes as listed.

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**VI. Education – New Business**

- a. Correction/Tenure Appointment - Faculty

On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Pean and carried the Board of Education approved the following correction of the effective date to read 01/01/11. (The original motion was approved at the 11/29/10 Regular Meeting item VI-A.)

<u>Faculty Member</u>	<u>School</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
Maria Neckonoff	Shaw Avenue	ESL	01/01/11

- b. Resignation – Substitute Teacher

On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Pean and carried the Board of Education accepted Mala Rampersaud's letter of resignation from the position of Substitute Teacher effective 11/19/10.

- c. Substitute Registry Personnel

On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Pean and carried the Board of Education approved the appointment of the following individuals to the position of substitute teacher at the per diem rate for contractual substitutes for the 2010-11 school year.

<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

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

d. Student Observer Placement

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

<u>University/Student</u>	<u>School/Assignment</u>	<u>Duration</u>
<u>Adelphi University</u> Trisha Danesi	FRS – C. Giardella, Art	Spring Semester 25 hours/Art
<u>Adelphi University</u> Carissa Volpe	FRS – G. Guttman, Gr.2	Spring Semester 25 hours/Math & 25 hours/Science
<u>Molloy College</u> Melanie Walther	SAS – R. Tyler, Gr.4	Spring Semester 2 hours/wk.

e. Special Education – 2 Year District Plan/2010-2012

On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Pean and carried the Board of Education approved the Valley Stream UFSD 30 Two Year District Plan on district policies, practices and procedures for assuring appropriate educational services and due process in evaluation and placement of students with disabilities with the provision that the notification date for home schooled students requesting special education services expires 06/30/12. (This plan is on file in the office of the Superintendent.)

f. Consultant Services

On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Pean and carried the Board of Education authorized Andrea Honigsfeld for ESL consulting services beginning on or about January 3, 2011 and ending August 31, 2011, at an hourly rate of \$250, at a cost not-to-exceed \$6,000.

g. 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.

h. Committee for Preschool Special Education

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

i. Board of Education Policies, Regulations and Exhibits

On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Pean 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.)

Policy #

4000	Student Learning Objectives and Instructional Goals
4010	Equivalence in Instructional Staff and Materials
4200	Curriculum Management
4311	Civic Mission of the Schools

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

- i. Board of Education Policies, Regulations and Exhibits (continued)
  - 4311.1 Display of the Flag
  - 4311.1-R Display of the Flag Regulations
  - 4315.1 Aids Instruction
  - 4321 Programs for Students with Disabilities Under the IDEA and New York’s Education Law Article 89
  - 4321.1 Provision of Special Education Services in the Least Restrictive Environment
  - 4321.2 School-Wide Pre-Referral Approaches and Interventions
  - 4321.3 Allocation of Space for Special Education Programs
  - 4321.4 Independent Educational Evaluations
  - 4321.5 Confidentiality and Access to Individualized Education Programs, Individualized Education Services Programs and Service Plans
  - 4321.6 Availability of Alternative Format Instructional Materials for Students with Disabilities
  - 4321.7 Districtwide and Statewide Assessments of Students with Disabilities
  - 4321.8 Impartial Hearing Officer Appointment and Compensation
  - 4321.9 Declassification of Students with Disabilities
  - 4321.10 Programs and Services for Parentally-Placed Nonpublic School Students with Disabilities
  - 4321.11 Public Report on Revisions to District Policies, Practices and Procedures Upon Finding of Significant Disproportionality
  - 4321.12 Use of Time Out Rooms, Physical Restraints and Aversives
  - 4321.13 Preschool Special Education
  - 4321.14 Special Education Personnel
  - 4322 Programs for the Gifted and Talented
  - 4325 Academic Intervention Services
  - 4326 Limited English Proficiency Instruction
  - 4326-E.1 Limited English Proficiency Instruction Exhibit
  - 4326-E.2 Limited English Proficiency Instruction Exhibit
  - 4327 Homebound Instruction

## **VII. Business – New Business**

- a. Resignation – P/T Cleaner  
On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried the Board of Education accepted Michael Colucci’s letter of resignation, from the position of P/T Cleaner, effective 11/28/10.
- b. Leave of Absence  
On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried the Board of Education retroactively approved Rebekah Trieber’s request for a two day unpaid leave of absence (12/09/10 and 12/10/10).
- c. Building Condition Survey & Five Year Capital Facilities Plan  
On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried the Board of Education approved and accepted the 2010 Building Condition Survey and 5 Year Capital Facilities Plan.

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

- d. School Facilities Report Cards  
On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried the Board of Education accepted and approved the attached School Facilities Report Cards.
- e. Flex Benefit Program – J. J. Stanis & Company Inc  
On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried the Board of Education accepted and approved the attached proposal for the purposes of administering the Flex Benefit Program and authorized the execution of such.
- f. IRS Mileage Rate  
On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried the Board of Education approved the IRS mileage reimbursement rate of \$.51 per mile when so authorized by Administration, to be effective 01/01/11.
- g. Nassau BOCES Letter of Intent - Increase  
On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried the Board of Education approved an increase in the 2010-2011 Nassau BOCES Letter of Intent in the amount of \$10,113.30, for a cross contract with the Cattaraugus-Allegheny BOCES for the renewal of Study Island.
- h. Network Infrastructure  
On a motion by Trustee Stewart, seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried the Board of Education approved the work to be performed, by Switch Technologies under New York State Contract #PT64449, relating to the network infrastructure, in an amount not-to-exceed \$275,639.03, payable over 5 years.

## **VIII. Finance – New Business**

- a. Treasurer's Report  
On a motion by Trustee Lavery, seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried the Board of Education accepted and approved the attached Treasurer's Report for the month ending November 2010.
- b. Revenue & Expenditure Reports  
On a motion by Trustee Lavery, seconded by Trustee Cummings and carried the Board of Education approved the 2010-11 Revenue and Expenditure Reports that are attached.
- c. Transfers Between Accounts  
On a motion by Trustee Lavery, seconded by Trustee Cummings 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 Cummings and carried the Board of Education adopted the internal claim audit finding of R. S. Abrams for their 11/23/10 and 12/03/10 visits. Please note that 561 items were reviewed and there were 3 non-conformances (99.45% in conformance). Please see the attached documents.

**IX. Items of Information**

a. Monthly Maintenance Report

The monthly maintenance report for December was accepted as submitted.

b. Vandalism Report

The monthly vandalism report for December was accepted as submitted.

**X. Old Business**

There was none.

**XI. Public Comment**

A question was made with regard to changes in the special education program.

A question was made as to identifying special education students.

On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Pean and carried, the regular meeting was adjourned to go into Executive Session at 10:45 p.m.

On a motion by Trustee Cummings, seconded by Trustee Stewart and carried, the Executive Session was adjourned at 10:55 p.m, the regular meeting was reconvened and immediately adjourned at 10:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Anne O'Brien  
District Clerk