APPROVED MINUTES

HARBORFIELDS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT GREENLAWN, NEW YORK 11740

Kind of Meeting - Regular Meeting/Budget Hearing

Date of Meeting - May 13, 2008
Place of Meeting - OMS Auditorium

Board Members Present - Mr. Mastroianni, Mrs. Boba, Dr. Chen,

Mr. Giuliano, Mr. Schoer

Board Members Absent - Mr. Brennan, Mr. Toles

Others Present - Dr. Wilson, Ms. Todaro, Mr. Nimmo,

Mr. Hartner, Community Members

Mr. Mastroianni called the meeting to order at 7:54 p.m. He then led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance and instructed those in attendance where to exit the building in case of an emergency. He also asked everyone to silence cell phones and beepers.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was no public participation at this time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

At this time the Board recognized the following students and staff for their achievements:

Student/Staff Name	Achievement		
Matthew Baran - OMS	A WINNER in the Tulip Festival Art Contest		
Andrew Hasenzahl - HHS	WON Second Place in the Computer Applications category at the Long Island Business Education Council's Annual Business Competition		
Patricia Radovich - Grade 3 Teacher	Selected as 2008 recipient of the Long Island Council for the Social Studies Margaret Simon Award for Excellence in Elementary Social Studies Education		
Michele Caravella			
Matthew Friedlander			
Melissa Luxemberg			
Jason Marder			
Jennifer Nowicki	Students have been awarded Scholarships of Excellence by the New York State Education		
Stephen Praetorius	Department.		
Matthew Reichert			
Rita Strauss			
Tim White			
Chelsea Wiener			

The Board also recognized Ms. Muller honoring her with a plant in recognition of Administrative Assistant's Day.

Student Representative Report

Brian O'Connor, student at Harborfields High School, reported that the Mathletes Team came in 3rd place in Suffolk County in competition. At their April 30 meeting the Huntington Town Board recognized high school students for their poetry which was printed in <u>The Long Islander</u>. The spring musical, Guys and Dolls, was a huge success. Spring sports are finishing up and we have clinched the playoff spot in baseball. He continued that AP exams are coming to an end and that senior awards night is around the corner.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion duly made by Dr. Chen, seconded by Mr. Schoer, and carried (5-0), the Board moved to Executive Session at 8:05 p.m. to discuss litigation brought by the Superintendent of Schools and employment of a particular individual.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Giuliano, seconded by Mr. Schoer, and carried (5-0), the Board returned to the regular meeting at 8:18 p.m.

2008-2009 BUDGET HEARING IN AUDITORIUM

Dr. Wilson made the 2008-09 budget presentation stating that the budget is \$68,653,824 with tax rate increase was 3.91% and a budget increase of 6.56%. She went on to explain what a passed budget would mean to students which included a reading teacher (0.5) at WDPS, a PALS class at TJL, a science research program stipend at OMS, a LOTE language lab at HHS, staffing for programs (0.4), physical education (2 staff), part-time clerk typist in physical education office. Districtwide it would mean a social worker, disaster recovery, part-time account clerk, IDs for all staff members, emergency management training; enhanced student management system, and enhanced technology. The budget would maintain the following programs: science research program at the high school, SAIL/Gifted program for grades 3-6, music performance groups in grades 3-12, increased security guards at all schools, student assistance counselor at the high school, and class size guidelines. Dr. Wilson then discussed proposed contingency budget. She then announced that the budget vote would be held on Tuesday, May 20 from 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Oldfield Middle School.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A resident congratulated the Board and Superintendent on this budget. She asked why the 1310 area went up over \$100,000. Mr. Nimmo stated that this was caused by hiring new auditors, employee benefits, social security and medicare. She then asked if employees pay anything into their health insurance. Mr. Nimmo responded that it varies by bargaining unit.

A resident stated that there are major concerns in the district. Young people are concerned about their jobs and the elderly are trying to manage on a fixed income. He continued that the 2110 area (teachers' salaries) has gone up between 6% and 7% per year. If there is a mid-year cut in state aid the district will face some major problems. This community cannot exist with big increases. Dr. Chen responded that our teaching staff is the lowest paid in the Town of Huntington. We need to be concerned about the quality of our teachers. Mr. Mastroianni stated that the Board is very aware of the concerns of our community. We are trying to balance a quality education and keep the cost down. We represent the community at large.

A resident stated that we spend 33 times more on ESL than on gifted and talented. She continued that we care more about kids that don't speak English. She asked if we verify if students are legal aliens. Dr. Wilson responded we must provide an education to all students living in the district and that the gifted and talented does not take into account the AP classes at the high school.

BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Giuliano, seconded by Mr. Schoer, and carried (5-0), the following minute were approved:

Special meeting, April 9, 2008 Special meeting, April 16, 2008 Regular meeting, April 29, 2008

FINANCE CONSENT AGENDA

Call for removal of resolutions from the FINANCE consent agenda

Mr. Mastroianni asked for removal of item 4.13 from the Finance consent agenda.

Consent Agenda - Finance

Upon motion duly made by Dr. Chen, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, all resolutions in the area of finance, with the exception of 4.13), on the agenda of the May 13, 2008 Board of Education meeting were approved by consent.

4.1 Treasurer's Report

Upon motion duly made by Dr. Chen, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Treasurer's Report for April 2008 was approved.

4.2 Schedules of Bills

Upon motion duly made by Dr. Chen, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the schedules of bills attached to the agenda of May 13, 2008 were accepted.

4.3 Health Service Contract

Upon motion duly made by Dr. Chen, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following health service contract between the Harborfields Central School District and the school district listed below, for the purpose of providing health services for children residing in the Harborfields Central School District and attending nonpublic schools in said school district for the 2007-2008 school year was approved.

Uniondale UFSD, 1 student attending Hebrew Academy of Nassau County at a cost of \$579.90

4.4 Extension of Transportation Contract

Upon motion duly made by Dr. Chen, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the extension of contract for pupil transportation for the 2008-2009 school year from the contractor listed below was approved.

➤ Towne Bus Corporation

4.5 School Service/Specialized Education Agreement

Upon motion duly made by Dr. Chen, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following School Service/Specialized Education Agreement for the 2007/2008 school year between the Harborfields Central School District and the contractor listed below, in accordance with Part 200 of the regulations of the Commissioner of Education for children with handicapping conditions was approved.

➤ The Hearing and Speech Center-Long Island to provide hearing aid consultations in accordance with the Individualized Education Program (IEP) of disabled students at a rate of \$176.00 for the period of March 10, 2008 through June 27, 2008.

4.6 Parentally Placed Private School/Special Education Service Contracts

Upon motion duly made by Dr. Chen, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following parentally placed private school/special education service contracts between the Harborfields Central School District "District of Residence" and the school "District of Location" listed below be approved. The "District of Residence" will be billed for special education services for children residing in the Harborfields Central School District and attending parentally placed nonpublic schools in said school districts in accordance with Education Law Section 3602-c and regulations of the Commissioner of Education for the 2007-2008 school.

- > Brentwood UFSD, 1 student attending St. Joseph's Academy
- ➤ Glen Cove City School District, 2 students attending Friends Academy

4.7 **Gift**

Upon motion duly made by Dr. Chen, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following gift was accepted:

➤ Beseler 23 Series II photo enlarger with a 35 mm lens carrier and a Nikkor enlarging lens to be used by the high school photography program

4.8 Gift and Increase in Appropriations

Upon motion duly made by Dr. Chen, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following gift was accepted:

\$2,700.00 from the parents of Miranda Abbott and Lauren Antonucci for enrollment in the 2008 Summer Arts Academy, Nassau BOCES Cultural Arts Program

It was further resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools pursuant to the anticipated receipt of the gift to reimburse our expenses, appropriations for 2007-2008 be increased as follows:

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with the understanding that this increase in appropriations is matched by unanticipated revenue and will therefore result in no impact on the tax levy.

4.9 Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding Program with Eastern Suffolk BOCES

Dr. Chen offered the following resolution and moved its adoption. Mr. Giuliano seconded the motion, and the motion was carried (5-0).

Whereas, various educational and municipal corporations located within the State of New York desire to bid jointly for generally needed services and standardized supply and equipment items; and

Whereas, the Harborfields Central School District, an educational/municipal corporation (hereinafter the "Participant") is desirous of selectively participating with other educational and/or municipal corporations in the State of New York in joint bidding in the areas mentioned above pursuant to General Municipal Law 119-0 and Education Law Section 1950; and

Whereas, the Participant is a municipality within the meaning of General Municipal Law 119-n and is eligible to participate in the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, First Supervisory District of Suffolk County (hereinafter Eastern Suffolk BOCES) Joint

Municipal Cooperative Bidding Program (Hereafter the "Program") in the areas mentioned above; and

Whereas, the Participant acknowledges receipt of the Program description inclusive of Eastern Suffolk BOCES' standard bid packet and the general conditions relating to said Program; and

Whereas, with respect to all activities conducted by the program, the Participant wishes to delegate to Eastern Suffolk BOCES the responsibility for drafting of bid specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, tabulating bids, awarding the bids, and reporting the results to the Participant.

Be it resolved, that the Participant hereby appoints Eastern Suffolk BOCES to represent it and to act as the lead agent in all matters related to the Program as described above; and

Be it further resolved, that the Participant hereby authorizes Eastern Suffolk BOCES to place all legal advertisements for any required cooperative bidding in <u>Newsday</u>, which is designated as the official newspaper for the Program, and

Be it further resolved, that a Membership Committee consisting of one (1) representative from each Participant shall be formed. The Participant shall accordingly appoint one (1) representative to the Membership Committee. Said representative shall be provided with a list of bids. A meeting of the Membership Committee shall be held annually. Notice of the meeting shall be given to each representative at least five (5) days prior to such meeting; and

Be it further resolved, that this Agreement with the Participant shall be for a term of one (1) year as authorized by General Municipal Law ' 110-o.2.j.

Be it further resolved, that the Participant agrees to pay Eastern Suffolk BOCES an annual fee as determined annually by Eastern Suffolk BOCES to act as the lead agent for the Program.

4.10 Cooperative Bidding Through the Long Island Food Service Directors Association for Various Food and Cafeteria Items for the 2008-2009 School Year

Dr. Chen offered the following resolution and moved its adoption. Mr. Giuliano seconded the motion, and the motion was carried (5-0).

Whereas, it is the plan of a number of public school districts in Nassau/Suffolk Counties, New York, to bid jointly for bread, ice cream, frozen food products, paper products, canned foods, canned drinks/soda, snacks, coffee, milk, small wares/equipment, meat, dairy, cafeteria cleaning supplies, direct diversion government processed foods, and

Whereas, the Harborfields Central School district is desirous of participating with other school districts in Nassau/Suffolk Counties in the joint bidding of the commodities mentioned above as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-0, and

Whereas, the Harborfields Central School District wishes to appoint a committee to assume the responsibility for drafting of specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, and reporting the results to the Board of Education and making recommendations thereon, now therefore,

Be it resolved, that the Board of Education of the Harborfields Central School District, hereby appoints the following L.I. School Food Service Directors Association Cooperative Bid Committee to represent it in all matters related above — Amityville UFSD, Babylon UFSD, Bay Shore UFSD, Bayport-Blue Point UFSD, Carle Place UFSD, Cold Spring Harbor CSD, Comsewogue UFSD, Copaigue UFSD, Elwood UFSD, Farmingdale UFSD, Freeport UFSD, Great Neck UFSD, Half Hollow Hills CSD, Harborfields CSD, Islip UFSD, Island Trees UFSD, N. Bellmore UFSD, Longwood CSD, Massapequa UFSD, Miller Place CSD, North Babylon UFSD, Northport/East UFSD, North Shore CSD, Patchogue-Medford UFSD, Plainedge UFSD, Rocky Point UFSD, Roslyn UFSD, Sachem CSD, Sayville UFSD, Smithtown CSD, South Huntington UFSD, Southampton UFSD, Three Village CSD, West Babylon UFSD, West Islip UFSD, Wyandanch Public Schools, Western Suffolk BOCES, and

Be it further resolved, that the Harborfields Central School District Board of Education authorizes the above mentioned committee to represent it in all matters leading up to the entering into a contract for the purchase of the above mentioned commodities, and

Be it further resolved, that the Harborfields Board of Education agrees to assume its equitable share of the costs of the cooperative bidding, and

Be it further resolved, that the Harborfields Central School District Board of Education agrees (1) to abide by majority decisions of the participating districts on quality standards; (2) that unless all bids are rejected, it will award contracts according to the recommendations of the above committee, and upon approval of the Board of Education of each participating school district; (3) that after award of contract(s) it will conduct all negotiations directly with the successful bidder(s).

4.11 National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs

Upon motion duly made by Dr. Chen, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Harborfields Central School District will continue in the National School Lunch and Breakfast Programs for the 2008-2009 school year. All state and federal regulations pertaining to the school meal program will be adhered to by the Harborfields Central School District.

4.12 <u>Establishment of School Lunch, Breakfast, and Milk Prices</u>

Upon motion duly made by Dr. Chen, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopted the following prices for school breakfast, lunch, and milk for the 2008-2009 school year pursuant to the district's participation in the National School Lunch/Breakfast Program.

Program	Elementary	Secondary	Kindergarten
Breakfast	\$1.50	\$1.50	\$1.25 (Sp. Ed. Full Day)
Reduced Price Breakfast	\$0.25	\$0.25	\$0.25 (Sp. Ed. Full Day)
Lunch	\$2.00	\$2.25	\$1.75 (Sp. Ed. Full Day)
Reduced price Lunch	\$0.25	\$0.40	\$0.25 (Sp. Ed. Full Day)
Milk	\$0.50	\$0.50	\$0.50 (Kindergarten Snack)

4.14 Retainment of New York Municipal Advisors Corporation

Upon motion duly made by Dr. Chen, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Harborfields Central School District retained the services of New York Municipal Advisors Corporation for a fee of \$5,000 to act as financial consultants for the borrowing of Tax Anticipation Notes not to exceed \$18,000,000 for the 2008-2009 school year.

4.15 Third Party Administrator for Tax Sheltered Annuities

Upon motion duly made by Dr. Chen, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the agreement between Harborfields Central School District and The Omni Financial Group, Inc. for the purpose of providing services as a Third Party Administrator of Tax Sheltered Annuities with the intent of providing professional review, administrative and IRS tax-compliance services for the district's 403(b) and 457 (b) tax-deferred investments programs, was approved.

4.13 Tax Anticipation Notes

Dr. Chen offered the following resolution for approval and moved its adoption:

Tax Anticipation Note Resolution of Harborfields Central School District of Greenlawn, New York, Adopted May 13, 2008 Authorizing the Issuance of Not to Exceed \$18,000,000 Tax Anticipation Notes in Anticipation of the Receipt of Taxes to Be Levied for the Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2009

Resolved by the Board of Education of Harborfields Central School District of Greenlawn, in the County of Suffolk, New York, as follows:

Section 1. Tax anticipation notes (herein called "notes") of Harborfields Central School

District of Greenlawn, in the County of Suffolk, New York (herein called "district@), in the principal amount of not to exceed \$18,000,000, and any notes in renewal thereof, are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the provisions of sections 24.00 and 39.00 of the local finance law, constituting chapter 33-a of the consolidated laws of the State of New York (herein called "law").

Section 2. The following additional matters are hereby determined and declared:

- (A) The notes shall be issued in anticipation of the collection of real estate taxes to be levied for school purposes for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2008 and ending June 30, 2009, and the proceeds of the notes shall be used only for the purposes for which said taxes are levied.
- (B) The notes shall mature within the period of one year from the date of their issuance.
- (C) The notes are not issued in renewal of other notes.
- (D) The total amount of such taxes remains uncollected at the date of adoption of this resolution.
- Section 3. The notes hereby authorized shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by section 52.00 of the law and shall be general obligations of the district, and the faith and credit of the district are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the notes and unless the notes are otherwise paid or payment provided for, an amount sufficient for such payment shall be inserted in the budget of the district and a tax sufficient to provide for the payment thereof shall be levied and collected.
- Section 4. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and the law, and pursuant to Section 50.00, 56.00, 60.00 and 61.00 of the law, the power to sell and issue the notes authorized pursuant hereto, or any renewals thereof, and to determine the terms, form and contents, including the manner of execution, of such notes, and to execute arbitrage certifications relative thereto, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer of the district.
- Section 5. The notes shall be executed in the name of the district by the manual signature of the President of the Board of Education, the Vice President of the Board of Education, the District Treasurer, the District Clerk, or such other officer of the district as shall be designated by the chief fiscal officer of the district, and shall have the corporate seal of the district impressed or imprinted thereon which corporate seal may be attested by the manual signature of the District Clerk.

Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

The adoption of the foregoing resolution was seconded by Mr. Schoer. The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Mr. Mastroianni, Mrs. Boba, Dr. Chen, Mr. Giuliano, Mr. Schoer

Nays: None

HUMAN RESOURCES CONSENT AGENDA

Call for removal of resolutions from the HUMAN RESOURCES consent agenda

There were no items removed from the Human Resources consent agenda.

<u>Consent Agenda – Human Resources</u>

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Schoer, seconded by Mrs. Boba, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, all resolutions in the area of Human Resources on the agenda of the May 13, 2008 Board of Education meeting were approved by consent.

5.1 Leave of Absence

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Schoer, seconded by Mrs. Boba, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following leave of absence without pay was approved.

Name	Assignment	School	Dates Paid	Dates Unpaid
Sacks, Cari	Elementary	WDPS	9/2/08-11/24/08	11/25/08-2/1/09
	Teacher			

5.2 Resignation

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Schoer, seconded by Mrs. Boba, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following resignation was accepted:

Curtiss, Mark, Guidance Counselor, HHS, effective close of business June 30, 2008

5.3 Substitute List Addendum

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Schoer, seconded by Mrs. Boba, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the substitute list addendum for the 2007-2008 school year as attached to the official minutes of May 13, 2008 was approved.

5.4 Decrease in Hours

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Schoer, seconded by Mrs. Boba, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following staff member was granted a decrease in hours:

➤ Greenberg, Jayne, Part-time Teaching Assistant, OMS from 6.0 hours per day to 5.75 hours per day effective April 25, 2008

5.5 Appointment of Summer Worker (Revised)

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Schoer, seconded by Mrs. Boba, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following summer worker was appointed:

SUMMER WORKERS					
Name	Assignment	Hours Per Day	Hourly Rate		
Djossa, Christina	Clerical Business Office	6	\$8.75/hr.		

5.6 Extracompensation Appointment Schedule

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Schoer, seconded by Mrs. Boba, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the appointees specified on the Extracompensation Appointment Schedule attached to the official minutes of May 13, 2008 were approved.

INSTRUCTION CONSENT AGENDA

Mr. Mastroianni asked that item 6.3 be removed from the consent agenda.

Call for removal of resolutions from the INSTRUCTION consent agenda

Consent Agenda – Instruction

Upon motion duly made by Dr. Chen, seconded by Mrs. Boba, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, all resolutions in the area of Instruction, with the exception of 6.3, on the agenda of the May 13, 2008 Board of Education meeting were approved by consent.

6.1 Overnight Field Trips

Upon motion duly made by Dr. Chen, seconded by Mrs. Boba, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following overnight field trips were approved:

- Approximately 12-14 high school students from the Girls' Varsity Volleyball Team participate in a volleyball tournament from September 19-20, 2008
- Approximately 12-14 high school student from the Girl's Varsity Volleyball Team participate in a volleyball tournament from October 17-28, 2008

6.2 Review of IEP Recommendations and Authorization for Placement and Services

Upon motion duly made by Dr. Chen, seconded by Mrs. Boba, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, review by the Board of Education of the IEP recommendations of the April 2, 2008, April 9, 2008, April 10, 2008, April 16, 2008 and April 30, 2008 meetings of the Committee on Special Education, the February 12, 2008, February 26, 2008 and February 28, 2008 meetings of the Subcommittee on Special Education, the April 2, 2008, April 3, 2008, and April 10, 2008 meetings of the Committee on Preschool Special Education, authorization was granted to provide for the placement and services contained in the recommendations of the CSE, and SCSE, and CPSE.

6.4 Guidance Internship

Upon motion duly made by Dr. Chen, seconded by Mrs. Boba, and carried (5-0), and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following guidance internship was approved:

➤ Harbeck Diana, graduation student from Long Island University, C.W. Post to complete a non-paid, 300 hour guidance internship at Oldfield Middle School commencing in September 2008

6.3 Second Reading of Board of Education Revised Policies

The following revised policies are presented to the Board of Education for a second reading for action at a subsequent meeting. No action is required at this time.

> Section 4000: Instruction

There was Board discussion on this section of the policy manual and these policies will be adopted at the next meeting except the policies that the Board has requested be changed. Ms. Todaro has noted those policies and they will be brought back to the Board for a second reading at the next meeting.

5.1A Stipulation of Settlement

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Giuliano, seconded by Mr. Schoer, and carried (5-0), the Board of Education hereby authorized its Vice-President to execute on behalf of the Board of Education a Stipulation of Settlement document dated May 9, 2008, regarding an Article 78 proceeding and a Commissioner's Appeal commenced by the Superintendent of Schools against the School District and the Board during the 2007-08 school year. A copy of said Stipulation, as presented to the Board at this meeting, shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

5.2A Acceptance of Resignation

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Giuliano, seconded by Mr. Schoer, and carried (5-0), the Board of Education hereby accepted a letter of resignation from the Superintendent of Schools, Janet Ceparano Wilson, dated May 9, 2008, effective close of business, on July 31, 2008. A copy of said letter shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

5.3A Addendum Agreement to the Superintendent's Employment Agreement

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Giuliano, seconded by Mrs. Boba, and carried (5-0), the Board of Education hereby authorized its Vice-President to execute an Addendum Agreement to the Superintendent's Employment Agreement, dated May 9, 2008, as presented to the Board at this meeting. A copy of said Addendum Agreement shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes of this meeting.

5.4A Approval of Interim Superintendent's Contract

Upon motion duly made by Mrs. Boba, seconded by Dr. Chen, and carried (5-0), the Board of Education hereby authorized its Vice-President to execute an Interim Superintendent's Contract with Frank J. Carasiti, dated May 12, 2008, for the period commencing August 1, 2008 and terminating July 31, 2009, as presented to the Board at this meeting. A copy of said contract shall be incorporated by reference within the minutes.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Vote for SCOPE officers and members of Board of Directors

The Board requested more information before voting on this item.

BOARD OF EDUCATION ACTIVITIES

NYSSBA Workshop entitled "Superintendent's Search Process" Courtyard Marriott, Ronkonkoma, New York, May 8, 2008

Mr. Mastroianni was unable to attend this workshop; however, Dr. Chen did attend. Dr. Chen advised the Board that the workshop was about the School Board's role in the superintendents search process. She continued that Mr. Tim Kremer of NYSSBA made a presentation relating to some of his previous career. He stated that there are five phases to hiring a superintendent including discussing what Board needs, develop a leadership profile, the board's role in candidate recruitment, evaluation of candidates, and appointment. There needs to be 100% consensus in every step.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A resident referred to an incident that occurred last week with his daughter at the WDPS. He stated that there was no evaluation of the incident by the teacher. Mr. Mastroianni responded that we need to keep matters about any students confidential. He continued that the Board was in receipt of his e-mails and we are looking into the matter. Mr. Schoer stated that there is a policy to appeal disciplinary proceedings.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Schoer, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried (5-0), the Board moved to Executive Session at 9:15 p.m. for the purpose of personnel disciplinary matters, FERPA matter, discussion of employment history of a particular individual, pending litigation brought by the Superintendent of Schools against the District.

Dr. Wilson, Ms. Todaro, Mr. Nimmo, and Mr. Hartner were excused from the meeting at 11 p.m. Ms. Todaro returned to Executive Session at 11:15 p.m. and left at 11:22 p.m.

Upon motion duly made by Mrs. Boba, seconded by Mr. Schoer, and carried (5-0), the Board returned to the regular meeting at 11:28 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Schoer, seconded by Mrs. Boba, and carried (5-0), the Board adjourned the regular meeting of May 13, 2008 at 11:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted.

Barbara Muller District Clerk