

HARBORFIELDS CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
GREENLAWN, NEW YORK 11740

Kind of Meeting	-	Regular Meeting
Place of Meeting	-	OMS Auditorium
Date of Meeting	-	April 27, 2010
Board Members Present	-	Mr. Mastroianni, Mr. Giuliano, Mr. Banks, Mrs. Boba, Dr. McDonagh, Mr. Schoer, Mr. Toles
Board Members Absent	-	None
Others Present	-	Mr. Carasiti, Ms. Todaro, Mr. Nimmo, Dr. Koenig, Community Members

Mr. Mastroianni called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion duly made by Dr. McDonagh, seconded by Mr. Schoer, and carried unanimously, the Board moved to executive session at 6:06 p.m. for the purpose of tenure review, transportation appeals, and teachers' contract negotiations.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Schoer, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried unanimously, the Board returned to the regular meeting at 6:35 p.m.

Transportation Appeals

The Board of Education heard the transportation appeal of Laurence Blank for private school transportation for his son. Based on the information the Board received, the Board granted the appeal.

The Board of Education heard the transportation appeal of Peter Campbell for private school transportation for his son. Based on the information the Board received, the Board granted the appeal.

The Board of Education heard the transportation appeal of Mrs. Panicoe for private school transportation for her son. Based on the information the Board received, the Board denied the appeal.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Upon motion duly made by Dr. McDonagh, seconded by Mr. Toles, and carried unanimously, the Board returned to executive session at 6:42 p.m. for the purpose of tenure review and teachers' contract negotiations.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Banks, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried unanimously, the Board returned to the regular meeting at 7:50 p.m.

BOARD RECOGNITION PROGRAM

The following coaches and students were recognized by the Board of Education:

Boys' Varsity Basketball Coaches:

Christopher Agostino Jason Mercurio Jeffrey Resner John Tampori

Boys' Varsity Suffolk County Basketball Championship - Students:

Justin Boba	Daniel Curry	Matthew Curry	Nicholas Fressenden
Brendan Holihan	Matthew Johnson	Brian Lindo	Eric McLean
Matthew McLeod	Xavier Morales, Jr.	Brandon Petillo	Justin Ringen
Patrick Ryan	Stephen Sumakis	William Turner	Lucas Woodhouse
Dylan Thompson	Reed McLean		

Girls' Varsity Basketball Coaches:

Michael Kaplan Russ Tietjen

Girls' Varsity Basketball for winning Class A Suffolk County Championship

Jana Amchin	Isabella Farve	Dominique Callihan	Annalise Grammerstorf
Taylor Henry	Kimberly Inocco	Julie Luxemberg	Alexia O'Connor
Danielle Roche	Bridgit Ryan	Kasey Stolba	Sara Tane
Amy Werbitsky	Lynn Zhong		

Outstanding Coaches of Winter Track:

Christopher Kahler Jennifer Turzer

Premiere Winter Track Athlete

Kelsey Margey

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A resident questioned item 4.10 on the agenda asking how much the district is paying to transport children to private schools.

REPORTS TO THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

Alex Bocard, student representation from HHS, advised that spring sports are underway, there will be a wasabi challenge fund raiser for muscular dystrophy, and the leadership class is running a multi-cultural dinner.

Superintendent's Report

Mr. Carasiti stated that watching the students receive their awards this evening is the real reward for administration and the Board.

Financial Literacy Update

Jacquelin Allen, Assistant Principal, OMS, gave a presentation on Financial Literacy. A copy of the powerpoint presentation is on file in the office of the Superintendent.

BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

The following minutes were accepted by the Board of Education:

- Regular Meeting, March 17, 2010
- Special Meeting, April 7, 2010
- Special Meeting, April 14, 2010

FINANCE

4.1 Treasurer's Report

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Giuliano, seconded by Mr. Schoer, and carried unanimously, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Treasurer's Report for March 2010 was approved.

4.2 Schedules of Bills

Upon motion duly made by Dr. McDonagh, seconded by Mr. Giuliano and carried unanimously. And upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the schedules of bills attached to the agenda of April 27, 2010 were accepted.

4.3 Financial Status Report

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Banks, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried unanimously, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Financial Status Report for February 2010 was accepted.

4.4 Health Service Contracts

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Giuliano, seconded by Mrs. Boba, and carried unanimously, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following health service contracts between the Harborfields Central School District and the school districts 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 districts for the 2009-2010 school year were approved.

- **Jericho UFSD**, 12 students attending the Long Island Lutheran School at a cost of \$918.51 totaling \$11,022.12.

- **Northport-East Northport UFSD**, 28 students attending Trinity Regional School and 6 students attending St. Pauls at a cost of \$717.89 totaling \$24,408.26.
- **Smithtown CSD**, 1 student attending Smithtown Christian School at a cost of \$759.53.
- **South Huntington UFSD**, 44 students attending St. Anthony's High School and 11 students attending the Long Island School for the Gifted at a cost of \$770.85 totalling \$42,396.75.
- **Uniondale UFSD**, 1 student attending Kellenberg High School at a cost of \$646.10.
- **Westbury UFSD**, 1 student attending Westbury Friends at a cost of \$830.08.

4.5 School Service/Specialized Education Agreements

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Toles, seconded by Mrs. Boba, and carried unanimously, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following School Service/Specialized Education Agreements 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 students with disabilities were approved.

- **LaSalle School** to provide instructional services, special education and related services in accordance with the individualized education program (IEP) for disabled students for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 per the tuition rate established by the Commissioner of Education.
- **Summit School** to provide instructional services, special education and related services in accordance with the individualized education program (IEP) for disabled students for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 per the tuition rate established by the Commissioner of Education.
- **The Center for Discovery, Inc.** to provide educational services, including adequate instruction, related services, and a facility for the provision of the same in accordance with the individualized education program (IEP) for disabled students for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010 per the tuition rate established by the Commissioner of Education.

4.6 Parentally Placed Private School/Special Education Service Contracts

Upon motion duly made by Dr. McDonagh, seconded by Mrs. Boba, and carried unanimously, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following parentally placed private school/special education service contracts between the school "District of Residence" and the school "District of Location" listed below were approved. The "District of Residence" will be billed for special education services for children attending parentally placed nonpublic schools in said school districts in accordance with Education Law Section 3602-c and regulations of the Commissioner of Education.

- **Commack UFSD**, 1 student attending the Harborfields Central School District effective July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009
- **Commack UFSD**, 1 student attending the Harborfields Central School District effective July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010
- **Half Hollow Hills CSD**, 1 students attending St. Pius School located in the Half Hollow Hills CSD effective July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010
- **Smithtown CSD**, 2 students attending the Harborfields Central School District effective July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009
- **Smithtown CSD**, 2 students attending the Harborfields Central School District effective July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010

4.7 Contracts for Services to Sub-allocate IDEA Flow Through Funds to Special Education Providers

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Toles, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried unanimously, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following contracts for services to sub-allocate IDEA flow through funds to providers for services to students with disabilities, ages 3-21 (Section 611) and ages 3-5 (Section 619) were approved.

- Association for the Help of Retarded Children (2007-2008)
- Association for the Help of Retarded Children (2008-2009)
- County of Suffolk

4.8 Gifts and Increase in Appropriations

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Schoer, seconded by Mr. Toles, and carried unanimously, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following gifts were accepted with thanks:

- 1) \$545.23 from Harborfields High School PTSA to be administered under the direction of Dr. David Bennardo, Principal, HHS
- 2) \$4,432.00 from Western Suffolk BOCES Suffolk's Edge Teacher Center to be administered under the guidance and direction of Diana Todaro, Deputy Superintendent
- 3) \$3,578.88 from Washington Drive Primary School PTA to be administered under the direction of Maureen Kelly, Principal, WDPS
- 4) \$4,000 to be applied to the Timothy O'Lear Scholarship Fund

Be it further resolved, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, pursuant to the anticipated receipt of the gift to reimburse our expenses, appropriations for 2009-2010 be increased as follows:

- 1) Harborfields High School PTSA:
2610.5800.12.2610.....\$545.23
- 2) WSB Suffolk's Edge Teacher Center:

2630.2000.42.2630.....	\$4,432.00
3) Washington Drive Primary School PTA:	
2020.2000.05.2020	\$3,578.88

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 2010-2011 Western Suffolk BOCES Administrative Budget and Election of Candidates to Western Suffolk BOCES

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Toles, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried unanimously, the Harborfields Central School District Board of Education approved the 2010-2011 Administrative Budget for Western Suffolk BOCES.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Banks, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried unanimously, the Board of Education cast its ballot for Mrs. Mildred Browne for a three year vacant position for election to Western Suffolk BOCES.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Banks, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried unanimously, the Board of Education cast its ballot for Mrs. Ilene Herz for a three year vacant position for election to Western Suffolk BOCES.

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Giuliano, seconded by Mr. Toles, and carried unanimously, the Board of Education cast its ballot for Mrs. Maryann Zumpano for a three year vacant position for election to Western Suffolk BOCES,.

4.10 Extension of Transportation Contracts

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Giuliano, seconded by Mr. Banks, and carried unanimously, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the extension of contracts for pupil transportation for the 2010-2011 school year from the contractors listed below were approved.

- Acme Bus Corp.
- Huntington Coach Corporation

4.11 SCOPE Child Care License Agreement

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Toles, seconded by Dr. McDonagh, and carried unanimously, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the proposed license agreement between SCOPE and Harborfields CSD, as attached to the agenda of April 27, 2010 was approved, and the President of the Board of Education was authorized and directed to execute the agreement.

4.12 Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding with Eastern Suffolk BOCES

Upon motion duly made by Mrs. Boba, seconded by Mr. Banks, and carried unanimously, the following resolution was approved.

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-o 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 (hereinafter 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 Newsday, which is designated as the official newspaper for the Program; and

Be it further resolved, that a Participant Meeting shall be held annually consisting of a representative from each Program Participant. 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 an Advisory Committee will be formed consisting of five to ten representatives of Program Participants for a term of three (3) years as authorized by General Municipal Law §119-o.2.j.

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 §119-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.

4.13 Use of Harborfields Central School District Facilities by Salem Ridge Civic Association

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Giuliano, seconded by Mr. Banks, and carried unanimously, the following resolution was approved.

Whereas, Harborfields Central School District permits the use of school facilities by community and township groups when such use does not interfere with school activities, and

Whereas, district policy regulation 1500-R contains a requirement for liability insurance in the amount of \$1,000,000; and

Whereas, the Salem Ridge Civic Association requests use of facilities for homeowner's association meetings for which insurance is normally required; and

Whereas, the Salem Ridge Civic Association does not hold such an insurance policy;

Now, therefore be it resolved, that the Harborfields Central School District agrees to waive such insurance requirement for the Salem Ridge Civic Association for the 2009-2010 school year.

HUMAN RESOURCES

5.1 Resignations

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Banks, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried unanimously, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following resignations were accepted as amended:

- Castiello, Beth-Ann, Assistant Principal, TJJ, effective close of business June 30, 2010
- Cline, Robert, Custodial Worker I, WDPS effective close of business May 24, 2010 for the purpose of retirement
- Merchant, Denise, Assistant Director of PPS, effective close of business June 30, 2010
- Reinhart, George, Custodial Worker II, HHS effective close of business April 9, 2010 for the purpose of disability retirement

- Smith, Charlene, Senior Stenographer, HHS, effective close of business September 30, 2010 for the purpose of retirement
- Pancir, Janet, Principal Stenographer, District Office, effective close of business October 31, 2010 for the purpose of retirement

5.2 Change in Status

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Giuliano, seconded by Dr. McDonagh, and carried unanimously, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following change in status in accordance with the schedule attached to the official minutes of April 27, 2010 were approved:

- **Stanfield, Richard**, from Custodial Worker I, HHS to Custodial Worker II, HHS effective April 12, 2010
- **Nucci, Lori**, from Elementary Teacher Permanent Substitute, TJL to Elementary Teacher Regular Substitute, TJL effective February 25, 2010 to June 30, 2010

5.3 Recall from Preferred Eligible List

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Toles, seconded by Mr. Schoer, and carried unanimously, the following resolution was approved.

Whereas, a full-time vacancy is deemed to exist in the Custodial Worker I area listed below and the Custodial Worker I listed below has been identified as the most senior person on the District's Preferred Eligible List in such area, it is hereby resolved that the following staff member be recalled to service in accordance with section 81 of the Civil Service Law.

- McGovern, David, Custodial Worker I, HHS effective April 12, 2010

5.4 Leaves of Absence

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Giuliano, seconded by Mrs. Boba, and carried unanimously, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following leaves of absence were approved:

Leaves of Absence				
Name	Assignment	School	Dates Paid	Dates Unpaid
Sacks, Cari	Elementary Teacher	WDPS	9/7/10- 11/29/10	N/A
DeVaney, Elizabeth	Art Teacher	HHS	9/2/10- 11/25/10	N/A

5.5 Professional Appointment

Upon motion duly made by Mrs. Boba, seconded by Mr. Toles, and carried unanimously, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following professional appointment in accordance with the schedule attached to the official minutes of April 27, 2010 was approved as amended.

TEMPORARY		
Effective March 22, 2010 through June 30, 2010 as required		
Name	School	Assignment
Scherr, Jaime	HHS	Acting Assistant Principal

5.6 Civil Service Appointments

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Giuliano, seconded by Mr. Banks, and carried unanimously, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following civil service appointments in accordance with the schedule attached to the official minutes of April 27, 2010 were approved.

Probationary		
Name	School	Assignment
Burgess, Mason	HHS	School Teacher Aide
*McGovern, David	HHS	Custodial Worker I

*Recalled from preferred eligible list

5.7 Permanent Appointment

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Banks, seconded by Dr. McDonagh, and carried unanimously, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following employee was granted permanent appointment.

Permanent Appointments			
Name	School	Assignment	Effective Date
Gillies, Ellen	Business Office	Account Clerk	4/22/10

5.8 Substitute List Addendum 2009-2010

Upon motion duly made by Dr. McDonagh, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried (6-0-1) and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the substitute list addendum as attached to the official minutes of April 27, 2010 was approved.

The voting was as follows:

AYES: Mr. Mastroianni, Mr. Giuliano, Mr. Banks, Dr. McDonagh, Mr. Schoer, Mr. Toles
NAYS: None
ABSTAIN: Mrs. Boba

5.9 Extracompensation Appointment Schedule 2009-2010

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Schoer, seconded by Mr. Giuliano, and carried unanimously, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the appointees specified on the Extracompensation Appointment Schedule attached to the official minutes of April 27, 2010 were approved.

5.10 Abolishment and Creation of Positions

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Banks, seconded by Dr. McDonagh, and carried unanimously, the following resolution was approved.

Certificated Employees:

Whereas, the Board for reasons of economy and efficiency, has determined that it is appropriate to abolish and to create certain pedagogical positions in the District;

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Board hereby abolishes the following positions, effective close of business on June 30, 2010:

- 5.5 FTE elementary tenure area teaching positions;
- 0.3 FTE AIS Reading area teaching position;
- 0.4 FTE AIS Math area teaching position;
- 1.0 FTE art/music tenure area teaching position;
- 0.2 FTE gifted program teaching position;
- 0.5 FTE mathematics tenure area teaching position;
- 0.2 FTE English tenure area teaching position;
- 0.1 FTE science tenure area teaching position;
- 0.2 FTE secondary business education tenure area teaching position;
- 0.8 FTE secondary foreign languages tenure area teaching position;
- 1.0 FTE physical education tenure area teaching position;
- 2.0 FTE school media specialist-library tenure area positions;
- 1.0 FTE school psychologist tenure area position;
- 0.8 FTE school-to-career coordinator position;
- 0.5 FTE social studies tenure area teaching position;
- 0.2 FTE student assistance liaison position;
- 8 teaching assistant tenure area (part-time) positions;

Be it further resolved, that the Superintendent of Schools is hereby directed to provide written notice to those employees whose employment is discontinued as a result of the abolition of the above-listed positions, as set forth in a Memorandum to the Board from

the Superintendent of Schools, dated April 22, 2010, as presented at this meeting, in accordance with the provisions of Section 3013 of the Education Law, Part 30 of the Regents Rules and/or the terms of any applicable Collectively Negotiated Agreement, termination of their employment effective close of business on June 30, 2010; and

Be it further resolved, that said employees who are not entitled to Part 30 bumping rights shall be notified, in writing, of their placement on a preferred eligibility list in the tenure area(s) of their employment regarding their statutory recall rights and/or their recall rights under any applicable Collectively Negotiated Agreement.

Civil Service Employees:

Whereas, the Board for reasons of economy and efficiency, has determined that it is appropriate to abolish certain non-pedagogical positions in the District;

Therefore, be it resolved, that the Board hereby abolishes the following positions, effective close of business on June 30, 2010:

- 1.0 FTE Clerk Typist
- 1.0 FTE Custodial Worker I

Be it further resolved, that the Superintendent of Schools is hereby directed to provide written notice to those employees whose employment is discontinued as a result of the abolition of the above-listed positions, as set forth in a Memorandum to the Board from the Superintendent of Schools, dated April 22, 2010, as presented at this meeting; and

Be it further resolved, that to the extent that there are more employees in the job title than there are remaining positions after consideration of applicable bumping rights in accordance with IPSEU Collectively Negotiated Agreements the Superintendent of Schools is hereby directed to provide written notice to those employees who shall be exceeded of the termination of their employment effective close of business on June 30, 2010, with further notice regarding recall rights, if any.

5.11 District Board of Education Members, District Clerk, and District Office Administrators to Attend Conference

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Toles, seconded by Mr. Schoer, and carried unanimously, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education members, district clerk, and the district office administrators were authorized to attend the conference listed below and be reimbursed for expenses in accordance with policy file 2521.

- N-SSBA conference entitled "50th Anniversary Annual Dinner Meeting," June 1, 2010, Crest Hollow Country Club, Woodbury, NY

5.12 Separation Payments

Whereas the District's Corrective Action Plan pursuant to the New York State Comptroller's audit of 2007 requires that the Board of Education approve separation payment for unused sick and vacation accruals for the individual separating from the district; and,

Whereas the administration has prepared calculations for retirees and/or individuals separating from district service in accordance with existing collective bargaining agreements and/or BOE policy as per the separation payment agenda enclosures; and,

Whereas the separation payment agenda enclosures and collective bargaining agreements and/or Board of Education Policies have been reviewed by district counsel; and,

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Schoer, seconded by Mr. Toles, and carried unanimously, and upon recommendation of the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorized said separation payment as described in the separation payment agenda enclosure.

- Castiello, Beth-Ann, Assistant Principal, TJL
- Cline, Robert, Custodial Worker I, WDPS
- Merchant, Denise, Assistant Director of PPS
- Reinhart, George, Custodial Worker II, HHS

INSTRUCTION

6.1 Review of IEP Recommendations and Authorization For Placement and Services

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Toles, seconded by Mrs. Boba, and carried unanimously, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, after review by the Board of Education of the IEP recommendations that authorization was granted to provide for the placement and services contained in the following recommendations of the CSE, CPSE, and SCSE.

- Committee on Special Education meetings dated March 2, 2010, March 3, 2010, March 4, 2010, March 8, 2010, March 10, 2010, March 15, 2010, March 17, 2010, March 18, 2010, and March 19, 2010
- Committee on Preschool Special Education meeting dated March 11, 2010 and March 25, 2010
- Subcommittee on Special Education meetings dated March 1, 2010, March 2, 2010, March 4, 2010, March 8, 2010, March 9, 2010, March 11, 2010, March 12, 2010, March 15, 2010, March 16, 2010, March 17, 2010, March 18, 2010, March 19, 2010, March 22, 2010, March 23, 2010, March 25, 2010 and March 26, 2010

6.2 Textbook Adoption

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Giuliano, seconded by Mr. Schoer, and carried unanimously, and upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the following textbook was adopted.

- Voyages in English: Grammar and Writing”, Grade 6 ELA

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Board of Education meeting dates for 2010-2011

Mr. Carasiti discussed the following upcoming meeting dates with the Board of Education:

May 5, 2010, 8 p.m. for the purpose of Board Self-Evaluation
May 11, 2010, 7:45 p.m. Budget Hearing/Regular Meeting
May 18, 2010, 7:45 p.m. special meeting - audit committee
May 26, 2010, 8 p.m. for the purpose of Superintendent’s Evaluation
June 30, 2010, 7:45 p.m. for the purpose of goals discussion

The Board stated they would get back to Mr. Carasiti regarding the June 30 date.

Western Suffolk BOCES Long Range Planning Study Update, April 2010

Mr. Mastroianni stated that this is a comprehensive and informative report and should be placed in an upcoming district newsletter and on the district’s website. He continued that this report is extremely accurate. Mr. Mastroianni continued that in the Harborfields School District there are approximately 100 homes in foreclosure and continued that about another 2-3% are stressed financially which totals about 400 homes in the district that are in financial trouble.

BOARD OF EDUCATION ACTIVITIES

Congressman Israel's Roundtable, April 8, 2010

Mr. Mastroianni and Mr. Schoer attended this roundtable discussion with Congressman Israel. Mr. Mastroianni advised that Congressman Israel is trying to reach out to school districts so that he can create a dialogue to learn about some of the things we are doing and vice-versa. The main topics that were discussed were energy and conservation, NCLB, and the gang situation. Mr. Mastroianni continued that it was a worthwhile session and that about 6 other districts attended. Many of the districts were focused on the gang issues.

National School Boards Association's Annual Convention, April 9-12, 2010, Chicago, Illinois

Mr. Toles attended the NSBA Annual Convention and reported on the keynote speakers, the conferences and workshops he attended, as well as the many exhibits that were displayed. Mr. Toles continued that it was a worthwhile convention but was disappointed that not many educational leaders were present.

N-SSBA

Mr. Schoer stated that the N-SSBA held an executive committee meeting on April 15. Mr. Schoer stated that they believe they were successful with the letter writing campaign to local representatives. This campaign is designed to have a concerted effort to lobby local representatives. Friday, June 4 is the day when local boards should go to their legislators/senators/congressmen's local offices to lobby for state aid.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A resident questioned the teachers' salaries. Mr. Carasiti responded that the step increase is mandated and at this time the step is included in the budget, however, no additional increase is included in this budget. Mr. Carasiti stated that we are in discussion with our teachers' association but we are not yet in formal negotiations.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion duly made by Mr. Schoer, seconded by Mr. Toles, and carried unanimously, the Board adjourned the regular meeting of April 27, 2010 at 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Muller
District Clerk