

Mineola Union Free School District, Mineola, NY
Business Meeting MINUTES

The Mission of the Mineola Union Free School District is to inspire each student to be a life-long learner, pursue excellence, exhibit strength of character and contribute positively to a global society.

Board Goals for 2023-2024

Educational

- Expand innovative opportunities for learners to participate in courses and unique real- life experiences to build agency and develop readiness skills for college and careers. This initiative continues to emphasize and incorporate self-directed learning and learner voice and choice.
 - Offer new, in person certification opportunities: EMT certification, Cybersecurity certification (Security Plus), CPR/First Aid
 - Create PAVE @ Synergy (Providing Access to Virtual Experiences) this cadre of asynchronous, self-directed courses will prepare learners to sit for industry standard certifications.
 - Create a new community in KidOYO that replicates our teacher SNAX PD opportunities. Learners will be able to challenge themselves with asynchronous, self-paced 'courses' on a variety of creation tools.
 - Develop opportunities for learners to communicate with and learn from experts in a variety of career disciplines through asynchronous online experiences.
- Continue to develop the process for implementation of the Learner Portfolio Grades 3-12. The portfolio will serve as a place for learners to document and reflect upon their educational journey in real time, and as a showcase of their work and accomplishments throughout their school years in Mineola.
- Continue to refine and build our structured literacy model with an emphasis on phonological awareness, decoding and sight word recognition. (in both languages for our dual language learners)

Facilities

- Articulate the 5-year Capital improvement plan that addresses the outstanding items in the new Building Condition Survey (BCS). Plan should also include building enhancements related to future programs.

Finance

- Not to exceed the allowable tax levy cap while continuing to maintain and enhance all of our programs and facilities.

DATE: Thursday, February 8, 2024 Synergy Building - 7:00 p.m.

Board of Education

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne, President
Patrick Talty, Vice President
Cheryl Lampasona, Trustee - **absent**
Brian Widman, Trustee
Stacey DeCillis, Trustee

Central Office

Michael Nagler, Ed.D., Superintendent of Schools
Catherine Fishman, Deputy Superintendent
Jack Waters, Interim Admin for Business & Operations - **absent**
Cindy Velez, District Clerk

A. Call to Order - 7:01 pm

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Reading of Mission - Brian Widman

D. Moment of Silent Meditation

E. Dais & Visitor Introductions - Cheryl Lampasona - Absent

F. Student Recognition - 2024 Regeneron Semifinalists, 2024 Regeneon Participants, NMEA All County Participants, LISFA - Long Island String Festival Association Participants, NYSBDA - NY State Band Directors Association Participants

G. BOE Reports

1. Comments from Board Trustees - Stacey DeCillis, Brian Widman, Patrick Talty
2. Comments from Board President - Dr. Margaret Ballantyne
3. Comments from Superintendent - Michael Nagler

H. Old Business - None

I. New Business

RESOLUTION #37 - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Mineola UFSD waives the second formal reading of the following revised board policies due to their availability on the information table and website and moves their adoption.

Policy #6190 - Workplace Violence Prevention Policy Statement

Motion: Brian Widman

Second: Patrick Talty

Yes:

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne

Patrick Talty

Brian Widman

Stacey DeCillis

No:

Passed: Yes

RESOLUTION #38 - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Mineola UFSD waives the first formal reading of the following Revised Board Regulation due to their availability on the information table and the website.

Policy #7240R - Access to Student Records

Motion: Stacey DeCillis
Second: Brian Widman

Yes:	No:
Dr. Margaret Ballantyne	_____
Patrick Talty	_____
Brian Widman	_____
Stacey DeCillis	_____

Passed: Yes

RESOLUTION #40 - Rejection of Bids - WALK ON AGENDA ITEM

WHEREAS, the Mineola Union Free School District sought bids for General Construction, HVAC, and Plumbing work for a construction project at Mineola Middle School; and
WHEREAS, the bids received were opened on December 8, 2023; and
WHEREAS, the bids of the lowest responsible and responsive bidders collectively exceed the projected budget for the construction work and the District is considering modifying the scope of the Project;
NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of Mineola Union Free School District hereby rejects all bids opened on December 8, 2023 for a construction project at Mineola Middle School.

Motion: Patrick Talty
Second: Stacey DeCillis

Yes:	No:
Dr. Margaret Ballantyne	_____
Patrick Talty	_____
Brian Widman	_____
Stacey DeCillis	_____

Passed: Yes

J. CONSENSUS AGENDA

RESOLUTION #39 - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the consensus agenda items J.1.a. through J.4.b.1., as presented.

Motion: Patrick Talty
Second: Stacey DeCillis

Yes:	No:
Dr. Margaret Ballantyne	_____
Patrick Talty	_____
Brian Widman	_____
Stacey DeCillis	_____

Passed: Yes

1. **Accepting of Minutes**

a. That the Board of Education accepts the minutes of the January 25, 2024 Business Meeting as presented.

2. **Instruction**

a. **Leave of Absence - Personal Unpaid**

1. That the Board of Education grants an extension for Masiel Gomez, for an unpaid Leave of Absence under FMLA, due to personal reasons, through March 13, 2024.

b. **Appointments**

1. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Yorlenny Rodriguez, to the position of Leave Replacement Elementary Teacher for Masiel Gomez, retroactive to January 24, 2024 through March 15, 2024 with a salary of BA Step 1 \$65,374.

c. **Per Diem Sub Appointments**

That the Board of Education approves the following individual(s) as Per Diem Substitute Teacher(s) for the current school year, at a daily rate of \$150.

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
1.	Claudius Mensah	Childhood Education (Grades 1-6)	02/09/2024

d. **Coaches - Appointments**

That the Board of Education approves the appointment of the following Spring Coaches for the 2023-2024 school year:

	<u>Position</u>	<u>Employee Name</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
1.	Baseball-Varsity	Helmut Bohringer	3	\$9,086.00
2.	Baseball-Varisty-Asst	Gregory A. Mayo	3	\$6,177.00
3.	JV Baseball	Christopher M. Schacca	3	\$6,292.00
4.	Baseball-8th Grade	Christopher N. Amato	2	\$5,193.00
5.	Baseball-7th Grade	James R. Bulva	3	\$5,923.00
6.	Golf- Girls Varsity	Matthew Musumeci	3	\$4,809.00
7.	Girls Lacrosse-Varsity Head Coach	Jacqueline R. Jahelka	3	\$9,077.00
8.	Girls Lacrosse-Varsity Asst	Kayla R. McKeveny	3	\$6,174.00

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	<u>Position</u>	<u>Employee Name</u>	<u>Step</u>	<u>Stipend</u>
9.	Girls Lacrosse-JV Head Coach	Erin E. Regan	2	\$5,563.00
10.	Girls Lacrosse-Jr. High 7/8	Christine L. Gayson	3	\$5,904.00
11.	Boys Lacrosse-Varsity Head Coach	James Durso	3	\$9,077.00
12.	Boys Lacrosse-Varsity Asst	Gordon Purdie	1	\$4,772.00
13.	Boys Lacrosse-JV Head Coach	William Gerstner	3	\$6,292.00
14.	Boys Lacrosse Jr Varisty-Asst	Colin Renner	2	\$3,783.00
15.	Boys Lacrosse-7th Grade	Mark Miller	3	\$5,904.00
16.	Boys Lacrosse-8th Grade	Mark Sarnel	1	\$4,635.00
17.	Softball-Varsity	Monique G. Wink	3	\$9,077.00
18.	Softball Varisty Asst	William G. DiGennaro	3	\$6,172.00
19.	Softball-JV Head Coach	Priscilla Smith	3	\$6,292.00
20.	Softball-8th Grade	Anthony Tramonte	3	\$5,506.00
21.	Softball-7th Grade	Kayla A. Koch	2	\$4,830.00
22.	Track & Field Boys Head Coach	Thomas J. Leninger	3	\$8,514.00
23.	Track & Field Girls Head Coach	John E. Fretz	3	\$8,514.00
24.	Track-Assistant	Timothy Wienclaw	1	\$4,658.00
25.	Girls Lacrosse-Jr. High 7/8	Daniela Rodriguez	1	\$4,635.00

e. **Instruction - Mentorship Program**

That the Board of Education approves the following Mentors to be paid \$2000 for the 2023-2024 school year:

	<u>Mentor</u>	<u>Mentee</u>
1.	Lisa Fiocco (prorated from 1/26/24)	Emely Maldonado

f. **Instruction: Contracted**

1. That the Board of Education approves the Instructional Service Agreement between Herricks UFSD (sending school) and Mineola UFSD (receiving school) for the 2023-2024 school year.

g. **Instruction - Teacher Leaders**

That the Board of Education approves the appointment of the following staff members as Teacher Leaders for the current school year:

	<u>TEACHER</u>	<u>BUILDING</u>	<u>STIPEND</u>
1.	Gina M. Amzler	Meadow Drive	\$2,500 (Prorated from 2/1/24)

3. **CIVIL SERVICE**

a. **Resignation(s)**

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1. That the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Crystal Hanley, Teacher Aide at Meadow Drive, effective February 2, 2024.

b. **Appointment(s)**

1. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Carmen Llivicura Loja, to the position of Substitute Cleaner, effective February 9, 2024 with a salary of \$16.00/hr.
2. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Woody Jr Saint-Vil, to the position of Substitute Cleaner for the District, effective February 9, 2024 with a salary of \$16.00/hr.

4. **BUSINESS / FINANCE**

a. **Approval of Invoices and Payroll**

1. That the Board of Education accepts the Invoices and Payroll for the period ending January 31, 2024

Invoices

A/P Warrant #14	Jan. 10, 2024	\$ 1,031,851.33
A/P Warrant #15	Jan. 24, 2024	\$ 1,896,613.59

TOTAL EXPENSES **\$ 2,928,464.92**

Payroll #13 (January 12, 2024) & #14 (January 31, 2024)

General Fund	\$ 4,802,396.95
Federal Fund	<u>\$ 87,862.91</u>
TOTAL PAYROLL	\$ 4,890,259.86

b. **Business/Finance - Contract Approvals**

1. That the Board of Education approves the 2023-2024 Contracts for Receipt of Referral Part-B Flow-Through Allocations for the following vendors:
 - Center for Developmental Disabilities
 - Kids First Evaluation & Advocacy
 - Martin de Porres School

K. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent of Schools' Reports

Presentations:

- 1. Tax Levy Calculation Presentation - Michael Nagler
- 2. Budget Update - Michael Nagler
- 3. PE Athletics report - Chris McCann
- 4. Fine and Performing Arts - Karen Bernstein

Superintendent Comments

L. Public Comments - No public comments were made at tonight's meeting, however, Michael Nagler addressed the comments made at the January 25, 2024 Business Meeting.

M. Executive Session Time: 9:25 p.m.

Motion: Patrick Talty
Second: Brian Widman

Yes:	No:
Dr. Margaret Ballantyne	_____
Patrick Talty	_____
Brian Widman	_____
Stacey DeCillis	_____

Passed: Yes

N. Adjournment Time: _____ p.m.

Motion: _____
Second: _____

Yes:	No:
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Passed: _____

**Respectfully Submitted,
Cindy Velez**

District Clerk