

January 20, 2022

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 - 2021- 2022

Educational

- To develop strategic academic and SEL supports for virtual students as they reintegrate back to in-person learning
- To develop a new type of high school that leverages expertise in asynchronous learning, develops community connections, and provides an integrated curricular experience aligned with the CASEL competencies that will foster student agency and academic success by offering choice in content, method, and pacing
- To develop and implement Jackson 21 which revamps our academic and social emotional programs for students in grades 3-4 to intentionally develop non cognitive and cognitive skills with a focus on genius hour and passion projects
- To develop age appropriate student portfolios that allow students agency in showing who they are as a learner through the use of goal setting and reflective practices
- To establish the practice of book clubs as a complimentary instructional practice that offers students a choice in literature that reflects diverse perspectives and experiences.

Facilities

- Create a new 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: January 20, 2022

Willis Avenue School - 2nd floor

7:00 p.m.

Board of Education

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

Central Office

Dr. Michael Nagler, Superintendent of Schools
Matthew Gaven, Deputy Superintendent
Catherine Fishman, Asst. Supt. of Pupil Personnel Services
Andrew Casale, Asst. to the Supt for Business & Operations
Linda Spagnola, District Clerk

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A. Call to Order - 7:02 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Reading of Mission - Brian Widman

D. Moment of Silent Meditation

E. Dais & Visitor Introduction - Catherin Fishman was absent this evening

F. Student Organization Report - Sarah Ahmed

G. BOE Reports

1. Comments from Board Trustees - Patrick Talty spoke about the Girls' Varsity Basketball team

2. Comments from Board President - Dr. Ballantyne wished the Wrestling Team good luck. She reported there will be an article in Sunday's Newsday about Keira Talty, one of our seniors, and her invention that helps health care workers stay safe. We are all very Mineola Proud of her.

3. Comments from Superintendent - Dr. Nagler gave a shout-out to Abby Walters for reaching 1000 points. This is no small feat. Dr. Nagler stated he is very happy we have now have video of our games. It is something new we launched this year. Dr. Nagler stated there are a few conflicts with board meeting dates, therefore, he proposed that the February 17th and March 3rd meetings be canceled and combined in a new board meeting date of Monday, February 28th which will be a business meeting. Over the weekend a pipe burst in the high school library which caused a significant amount of damage. In today's Newsday, the state aid numbers are out. We will have a sizeable increase in state aid. I will be a total of 2.2 million dollars. Dr. Nagler gave updates on our capitol work. He reported summer school and camps will take place this year with the exception of Camp Invention. There will be no Camp Invention this year.

H. Old Business

There was no Old Business this evening.

I. New Business

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Second Reading and Adoption of Revised Board Policy

RESOLUTION #50 - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Mineola Union Free School District waives the second formal reading of the following Revised Board Policy due to the availability on the information table and moves the adoption.

Policy # 7131 - Education of Students in Temporary Housing

Motion: Cheryl Lampasona

Second: Patrick Talty

Yes:

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne

Patrick Talty

Cheryl Lampasona

Brian Widman

Stacey DeCillis

No:

Passed: Yes

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RESOLUTION #51

WHEREAS, Section 103 of the New York State General Municipal Law allows boards of education of public school districts to authorize the receipt of electronic bids or offers in connection with purchase contracts (including contracts for service work, but excluding any purchase contracts necessary for the completion of a public works contracts); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Mineola Union Free School District may by resolution authorize the Assistant to the Superintendent for Business & Operations and Director of Facilities to accept bids in electronic format, in accordance with Article 3 of the New York State Technology Law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Mineola Union Free School District hereby authorizes the electronic submission of bids and offers to the Assistant to the Superintendent for Business & Operations and Director of Facilities in connection with purchase contracts (including contracts for service work, but excluding contracts for public work) so long as electronic submission is not the sole method for submission of bids (except it may be the sole method of submission of bids for technology contracts) and so long as the method for receipt of electronic bid submission will at a minimum:

- Document the time and date of receipt of each bid received electronically,
- Authenticate the identity of the sender,
- Ensure the security of the information transmitted, and
- Ensure the confidentiality of the bid until the time and date established for the opening of bids.

Motion: Patrick Talty

Second: Cheryl Lampasona

<u>Yes:</u>	<u>No:</u>
Dr. Margaret Ballantyne	_____
Patrick Talty	_____
Cheryl Lampasona	_____
Brian Widman	_____
Stacey DeCillis	_____

Passed: Yes

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First Reading of Revised Board Policies

RESOLUTION #52 - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Mineola Union Free School District waives the first formal reading of the following Revised Board Policies due to their availability on the information table.

Policy # 1510 - Regular Board Meetings and Rules (Quorum and Parliamentary Procedure)

Discussion: Dr. Margaret Ballantyne stated Policy #1510 needs to be amended as follows:

Policy states - The year 2021 - should be changed to 2020.

Policy states - The quorum for any board meeting is five members - should be changed to 3 members.

A motion was made to amend the consensus agenda.

Motion: Patrick Talty and **Second:** Cheryl Lampasona

The Board was polled and all were in favor and the motion passed.

Motion: Brian Widman

Second: Stacey DeCillis

<u>Yes:</u>	<u>No:</u>
Dr. Margaret Ballantyne	_____
Patrick Talty	_____
Cheryl Lampasona	_____
Brian Widman	_____
Stacey DeCillis	_____

Passed: Yes

J. CONSENSUS AGENDA

RESOLUTION #53 - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the consensus agenda items J.1.a.1. through J.3.e.1., as presented.

Motion: Stacey DeCillis

Second: Brian Widman

<u>Yes:</u>	<u>No:</u>
Dr. Margaret Ballantyne	_____
Patrick Talty	_____
Cheryl Lampasona	_____
Brian Widman	_____
Stacey DeCillis	_____

Passed: Yes

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1. **Instruction**

a. **Retirements**

1. That the Board of Education accepts, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement, of Stephanie P. Cosola, Reading Teacher, effective June 30, 2022.
2. That the Board of Education accepts, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement, of Nancy B. Decker-Ekloff, Elementary Teacher, effective June 30, 2022.
3. That the Board of Education accepts, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement, of James A. Dugal, Music Teacher, effective June 30, 2022.
4. That the Board of Education accepts, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement, of Catherine A. Loughlin, Elementary Teacher, effective June 30, 2022.
5. That the Board of Education accepts, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement, of Kieran E. Molloy, ESL Teacher, effective June 30, 2022.
6. That the Board of Education accepts, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement, of Elizabeth A. Thomson-Block, Elementary Teacher, effective June 30, 2022.
7. That the Board of Education accepts, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement, of Zoila C. Castillo, Social Worker, effective June 30, 2022.
8. That the Board of Education accepts, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement, of Andrew T. Smith, English Teacher, effective June 30, 2022.
9. That the Board of Education accepts, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement, of Damaris Ramirez, Elementary Teacher, effective June 30, 2022.

b. **Leave of Absence - FMLA**

1. That the Board of Education grants a request to Samantha Henton, for a 12 week unpaid FMLA Leave of Absence, starting January 10, 2022.

c. **Appointments**

1. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Michael G. Brunetti, to the position of Probationary Art Teacher, effective January 31, 2022, with a salary of MA, Step 1, \$73,099 and a Probationary Period from January 31, 2022 to January 30, 2026.

d. **Permanent Sub Appointments**

That the Board of Education approves the following individual(s) as Permanent Substitute Teacher(s) for the current school year, between October 1st and May 31st, at a daily rate of \$130.

	<u>Employee Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
1.	Lindsey Ramos	Childhood Ed (1-6)	01/10/22-05/31/22

e. **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 \$130.

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
1.	Lindsey Ramos	Childhood Ed (1-6)	06/01/2022

2. **CIVIL SERVICE**

a. **Resignation(s)**

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- 1. That the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Laura Potter, Typist Clerk at the Middle School, effective January 3, 2022.
- b. **Appointment(s)**
 - 1. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Laurie Mastrangela, to the position of Substitute Teacher Aide in the District, effective January 11, 2022 with a salary on Step 1 of \$15.00/hr.
 - 2. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Laura Colletti, to the position of Part time Teacher Aide at Jackson Avenue, effective January 11, 2022 with a salary on Step 1 of \$15.00/hr.
 - 3. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Maria Zavala De Amaya, to the position of Substitute Cleaner for the District, effective January 10, 2022 with a salary on Step 1 of \$15.00/hr.
- c. **Leave of Absence - Personal**
 - 1. That the Board of Education grants a request to Olga Ventura, for an Unpaid Leave of Absence, due to personal reasons, effective January 20, 2022 until February 15, 2022.
- d. **Leave of Absence - Paid Medical**
 - 1. That the Board of Education approves a paid Medical Leave of Absence to Miriam Shevlin, Nurse at Mineola High School, effective January 27, 2022. She will return upon doctor's approval.
 - 2. That the Board of Education approves a paid Medical Leave of Absence to Kenneth Grabow, Maintainer for the district, effective January 25, 2022, He will return upon doctor's approval.

3. **BUSINESS / FINANCE**

a. **Treasurer's Report**

- 1. That the Board of Education approves the Treasurer's Reports for the period ending December 31, 2021.

b. **Approval of Invoices and Payroll**

- 1. That the Board of Education accepts the Invoices and Payroll for the period ending December 31, 2021.

Invoices

A/P Warrant #15	Dec 1, 2021	\$1,912,550.05
A/P Warrant #16	Dec 15, 2021	\$958,561.55
TOTAL EXPENSES		\$2,871,111.60

Payroll's #11 (Dec 15, 2021) & #12 (Dec 22, 2021)

General	\$4,401,490.63
Federal Fund	\$58,915.88
TOTAL PAYROLL	\$4,460,406.51

c. **Business: Other**

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1. Approval of New 2022 Standard Mileage Rate
That the Board of Education approves the new 2022 IRS Mileage Reimbursement Rate for approved travel at a rate of 58.5 cents per mile, effective January 1, 2022.

- d. Business/Finance - Contract Approvals
 1. That the Board of Education approves Health contracts between the following district(s) and Mineola UFSD, whereby **said districts provide** health and welfare services for the 2021-2022 school year.
 - Uniondale UFSD
 - Jericho UFSD

 2. That the Board of Education approves the Individual Related Services Provider Contract between iTutor.com and the Mineola Union Free School District for the 2021-2022 school year.

 3. That the Board of Education approves a Transportation Contract between the parents of student H.K. and the Mineola UFSD for the 2021-2022 school year.

- e. Business/Finance: Disposal of District Property
That the Board of Education approves the disposal of the following district property, according to Policy #5250, declaring them obsolete:
 1. Title: The American Nation
Author: Davidson and Stoff
Publisher: Pearson Prentice Hall
Year: 2004
No of Copies: 129

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K. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent of Schools' Reports

Presentations:

- 1. Pre-K Update - by Leigh Shaw, Samantha Sanchez, Maisel Gomez

Superintendent Comments

L. Public Comments - Ted Jeremenko

M. Executive Session Time: 8:26 p.m.

Motion: Patrick Talty
 Second: Cheryl Lampasona

<u>Yes:</u>	<u>No:</u>
Dr. Margaret Ballantyne	_____
Patrick Talty	_____
Cheryl Lampasona	_____
Brian Widman	_____
Stacey DeCillis	_____

Passed: Yes

N. Adjournment Time: _____ p.m.

Motion: _____
 Second: _____

Yes:	No:
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Passed: _____

Respectfully Submitted,
 Linda M. Spagnola
 District Clerk