

**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 - 2016-2017

Educational

- Develop a comprehensive series of activities that actively engage parents in the District Mission.
 - Seek to engage parents in answering the question "How can Mineola best prepare students for the rapidly evolving and changing world of work and study"
- Continue to actualize the District's Mission and Strategic Objectives and measure progress toward these goals
 - Emphasis on increasing student choice
 - Emphasis on student portfolios
- Continue to expand and develop Queensboro certificate program to enable students to graduate HS with a full year of college credit

Facilities

- Continue to plan and fund a 5 year Capital improvement plan that addresses the outstanding items in the Building Condition Survey. Plan should include multiple funding sources- Energy performance contracts, Capital reserve fund, and budget transfers

Finance

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

DATE: March 16, 2017

LOCATION: Willis Avenue School

OPEN WORK SESSION 7:00 p.m. 2nd Floor Board Room

Board of Education

Christine Napolitano
Margaret Ballantyne, Ph.D.
Nicole Matzer
Brian Widman
Cheryl Lampasona

Central Office

Dr. Michael Nagler, Superintendent of Schools
Jack Water, Asst. Supt. for Finance & Operations
Edward Escobar, Asst. Supt. Human Resources
Matthew Gaven, Asst. Supt. C.I.A. & Technology
Linda Spagnola, District Clerk

A. Call to Order - at 7:01 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Reading of Mission - read by Margaret Ballantyne

D. Moment of Silent Meditation

E. Dais & Visitor Introductions

F. High School Student Organization Report

Christine Napolitano stated they were are going to suspend some things and turned the microphone over to Dr. Nagler.

Dr. Nagler stated it is always nice to have so many people at the meeting. He reported that in November he went to a Workbench Conference. They challenged a lot of the adults to do different tasks. One of them was to to build a tower out of ordinary paper with only 20 sheets of paper. He felt it was a cool challenge, brought the challenge back with him and asked the principals to see if they were interested. Ms. Maynard said this was right up her alley. Dr. Nagler invited Ms. Maynard up to the microphone. Ms. Maynard stated she was very excited to say that the students worked extremely hard and was very excited to join in this venture. She stated the evening was about them and invited her students to speak for themselves.

Six schools in the U.S. won the paper tower challenge. Hampton was one of them. They won a drum for the STEAM classroom. The children thanked Dr. Nagler for telling them about the paper challenge and thanked the board for honoring them tonight. One of the students said they were proud of themselves and hoped the board and Dr. Nagler were too. The board and Dr. Nagler stated they were very proud of the students and had fun hearing them sharing. Ms. Maynard thanked the board for supporting them.

Christine Napolitano thanked the parents for sharing their children with them this evening. She stated the board is so proud of their children. Margarita Marvel thanked Ms. Maynard for her hard work in her STEAM class. Dr. Nagler added how he loves when we challenge our little ones to think and these kinds of challenges we should be doing in school every day. Dr. Nagler stated that the science programs we institute in the three schools and all the labs are an invaluable experience our students have. He thanked everyone.

Dr. Nagler asked Mr. Casale to come up to the microphone and introduce our next presentors. Mr. Casale stated we have with us tonight three extremely, dedicated teachers and some pretty terrific students to talk about the growth mindset. Ms. Trojanowski has been instrumental in working with the 6th grade teachers. He asked Ms. Trojanowski to come to the microphone to explain what we are going to see tonight.

Ms. Trojanowski stated this work is about our wonderful representation from our math team, as well as, these students who have internalized this practice and have made it their own. The middle school is really making an initiative to infuse growth mindset into how we operate everyday. Ms. Trojanowski stated Mr. Casale put a copy of the book "Mindset - The New Philosophy of Success" in everyone's mailbox at the start of the school year.

Ms. Trojanowski went on to say, Ms. Maichin was gracious enough to share her passion with a lot of our parents, as well as, board members. The representation from our 6th grade math team is really modeling best practice and how to link data to instruction and ultimately how that leads to the student internalizing their own learning and taking responsibility for their learning in the classroom. This has been a way for all teachers to see how growth mind set impacts positive learning in the classroom. The teachers have two tools to help what the students learn and to help them prepare for tests. Teachers from the 5th and 7th grades constantly visit our classrooms to see how growth mindset impacts positive learning. Ms. Trojanowski introduced Ms. Maichin, Ms. Durnin, Ms. Frascogna and the students to talk about how they are creating a culture of YET.

Ms. Maichin thanked the board for having her and her students tonight. She stated she gave each board member a copy of the book "Mindset - The New Philosophy of Success" signed by the students. Ms. Maichin stated about 15 years ago she found the book when she was a teacher of struggling learners and resource room students who were coming from the elementary school. A lot of the kids would say they couldn't learn and felt this was who they were. She stated she came upon this book and the research to back it up. Ms. Maichin said there is a way to create a mindset that anyone could do anything if the right strategies are used. We took it upon ourselves to teach our children this concept and we use it every single day in class. We praise effort and not ability. She stated one of the tools they use is the chart in her presentation. They teach the students how to use this chart to motivate them to grow. We measure the growth of the children three times a year; in September, January and June. We have seen results by the NWEA scores.

Next, Stacy Durnin went up to the microphone and stated she's been doing the growth mindsets for two years and said her teaching has changed. She stated we encourage our students to be lifelong learners by creating a growth mindset. We encourage the children that making mistakes and struggling is part of the process and it's okay to fail and if they work hard they will grow. We applaud the students who make mistakes so they don't feel embarrassed and we praise their efforts. The children were taught the graph and how they improve each time they take a test. This is the main goal in our classroom. Students were invited to speak about what they are learning, how they are learning and their goals.

Michele Frascogna spoke about how she began working with Ms. Maichin. She was interested in what Ms. Maichin was doing in her class. Ms. Maichin bought Ms. Frascogna the book. Her first thought was she would have wanted this book when she became a parent. She said every parent needs to teach their children this way of thinking. Another tool they use is Khan Academy and taught the children to use and spend time on Khan Academy. They record their minutes to show how long they are working on their skills. There are practice skills for the children to do on Khan Academy. Khan Academy is our tool to help measure and to use it for their own growth mindset. Ms. Frascogna invited a students to explain their experiences working on Khan Academy.

Brian Widman thanked Ms. Maichin. He said his own kids are sick of hearing the word "yet" because whenever they get frustrated and they say they can't do it he says not yet. He bought the book and said it's a way of life. It really is a mindset, you are always learning and nothing is impossible.

Christine Napolitano stated she was so impressed with the presentation. The children blew her away. She thanked the teachers and students for coming and sharing with us. She also stated it left a very big impression on all of us. She said she wants to come into the classrooms to see this all in action.

Margaret Ballantyne stated one of the coolest things she heard tonight was "easy as boring". She said she is so proud of the students for embracing that and for embracing their own goals and how the students own your goals. Their hard work really touched her tonight and "not yet" doesn't mean never. She stated that these are wonderful skills for the rest of their lives. She thinks every parent should get this book. She thanked everyone for being here along with all the teachers and especially to our students.

Cheryl Lampasogna stated the children are very brave and they taught her something.

Dr. Nagler stated he is incredibly proud of all of the students. He often says to teachers, or anyone who will listen, children need to know what they don't know and the heart of learning is knowing what you don't know and knowing what they do well and what they need to work on to get better and in the absence of that we lose our way as teachers and a district. What he witnessed this evening gave joy to his heart about what assessment is supposed to do. He went on to say tonight was such a beautiful example of what children can do when they realize it and more importantly when you have three professional educators working together. The power of that is palpable. He said he's known all three of these teaches for long time and they were incredible in their own right and to put them together it's refreshing to see.

Dr. Nagler said that tonight he couldn't be more happy and he said he is super proud of our students. He said it isn't easy to get up and talk about what you can do. He said "Bravo" to all of the students. Dr. Nagler mentioned we are having a Parent University on This Topic on April 25th, at 7pm, in the Middle School. He stated that what you will learn, and what you will take home from this Parent University, is a very important.

Dr. Nagler invited Danny to give his report on the Student Organization.

F. High School Student Organization Report

Danny reported that Detective Pam Stark recently presented to our school the dangers of drug abuse. The high school hosted a program about the harmful effect of distracted driving for our juniors and seniors on March 13th. It was a very helpful assembly. He stated he is currently enrolled in driver's ed and what he learned at the assembly he is also learning in class. At the assembly were simulators. The students in the simulators were asked to text and drive and see how it will effect your driving. He stated we also save a life tour with driving simulators. The Battle of the Classes was February 28th. There were hallway decorations. The theme for this year was Places Around The World. The 8th grade had Hollywood, 9th grade had Paris, 10th had USA, 11th had Artic and 12th grade had Rio. It was very nice to see everyone come together. Multicultural Night was March 8th. There was a lot of people in attendance, a lot of delicious food and a lot of volunteers. Carnival night was March 10th and hosted by the Class of 2018. Challenger Basketball had two more games this week. Danny stated it is so nice to see these students participate in a sport to help them feel positive about themselves. The college road trip is March 30th. They are going to Manhattanville College. Career day is March 31st. Spring sports is currently underway. Andrew Rissa was all county for the 55 meter high hurdles. Johnny McMahon was all county basketball. And Tony and Phil are all state bowlers. The Marching Band had their trip to Disney and marched down main street during February break. Spring Pep Rally is March 17th. March 18 is the all county art exhibition at SUNY Farmingdale. Six of our students were recognized there. Choral night, string night and jazz night were all great events. The spring musical Seusical is March 24th and 25th. Our district won \$8000 for the Follett challenge. Danny thanked the community for all their support. Upcoming events are Senior to Senior day on March 22nd.

Dr. Nagler thanked Danny for his report.

Christine Napolitano suggested to forego board reports and turned the meeting over to Dr. Nagler for his comments.

G. BOE Reports

a. Comments from Board Trustees - none

b. Comments from Board President - none

c. Comments from Superintendent

Dr. Nagler stated the next meeting is April 6th and will be held at the high school in the ihub. We will all be attending Macaroni Night at the high school that evening. April 20th will be our district art show before the meeting. The hallway at Central Office will be all decorated. Our annual survey that we put out to teachers, kids, and parents is being postponed until the 23rd. He encourages wide participation in that it is very important. Dr. Nagler said, "We ask for your voice, we listen to your voice." Dr. Nagler thanked the MAA for their donation of a yellow poly cap fence topper for the high school softball team. Dr. Nagler reported that we got the Harbor Day Care lease renewed for 5 more years. Dr. Nagler reported we had a fabulous Jr. FLL day at the high school. Eight teams presented projects. He was very impressed with the children's projects. We also had a team, the Mineola Motors, go to the FLL championship. It was a great day in Longwood, a great competition and he is so proud of our teams. Choral night blew him away. Jazz night was fun and string night was awesome. He stated the choral night theme was recognizing veterans. He said Ms. Messina did a fabulous job with this and that she always has a message in her performances. Multicultural night had 50 restaurants that donated food. It was a short smorgasbord of the best food in Mineola, Williston Park and Albertson. It was a great night and the dancing was fabulous. Dr. Nagler reported that the last couple of days he did a lot of presentations. He did one up in Albany and several at Suffolk Assett on Monday. He is proud and happy to share the work we do here. He stated he will be going to a Blended Learning Conference in Rhode Island. He stated he is super proud to show people what we do here. May 2 at 6pm is our high school open house. The idea the open house is to showcase all the work we've done to the high school therefore, we're inviting all our children to show off the high school.

Dr. Nagler stated he hates snow days. He takes these decisions very seriously. He stated he goes out to look at the building himself to see the conditions and look at the work done by their fantastic team of custodians. He stated his decisions are based upon speaking with director of transportation, director of facilities, Ed Escobar, Jack Waters, and other superintendents in the neighboring districts. He stated his decision is not made from his couch without any knowledge of what is going on. He received a couple of questions regarding the delayed opening and he understands it's incredibly convenient to have a delayed opening but he doesn't regret his decision. He stated we needed that time in the morning to clear way ice and he apologizes for the inconvenience and he believes it was the right decision.

Nicole Matzer asked if we will have a full scale advertisement for the open house so it's open to everyone. Dr. Nagler stated yes.

Nicole Matzer asked Matt Gavin to say a few words about a mind seminar he attended. He stated the Mr. Escobar and he attended and learned to be be more present in the moment. He also stated that while they were supposed to be meditating many in the room were on their phones.

H. Old Business - none

I. New Business

Policy - Second Reading and Adoption of Revised Board Policies

RESOLUTION #47 - 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 moves their adoption.

- Policy # 1210 - Board of Education Members: Nomination and Election
- Policy # 1330 - Appointments and Designations by the Board of Education
- Policy # 1611 - Business of the Annual District Election
- Policy # 3220 - Use of Service Animals
- Policy # 5411 - Procurement of Goods and Services
- Policy # 5683 - Fire and Emergency Drills, Bomb Threats and Bus Emergency Drills
- Policy # 6110 - Code of Ethics for Board Members and All District Personnel
- Policy # 6130 - Evaluation of Personnel
- Policy # 6170 - Fingerprinting Clearance of New Hires
- Policy # 6213 - Registration and Professional Development
- Policy # 6220 - Temporary Personnel
- Policy # 7131 - Education of Homeless Children and Youth
- Policy # 7140 - School Census
- Policy # 7220 - Graduation Options/Early Graduation/Accelerated programs
- Policy # 7222 - Diploma or Credential Options for Students with Disabilities
- Policy # 7242 - Military Recruiters' Access to Students
- Policy # 7260 - Designation of Person in Parental Relation
- Policy # 7270 - Rights of Noncustodial Parents
- Policy # 7330 - Searches and Interrogations
- Policy # 7611 - Children with Disabilities
- Policy # 7616 - Pre-referral Intervention Strategies
- Policy # 8210 - Safety Conditions and Prevention Instruction

Motion: Margaret Ballantyne

Second: Nicole Matzer

Yes: Christine Napolitano

Margaret Ballantyne

Nicole Matzer

Brian Widman

Cheryl Lampasona

Passed: Yes

Stipulation of Settlement

RESOLUTION #48 - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute a Stipulation of Settlement with an employee whose identity has been made known to the Board of Education in Executive Session and the UPSEU, the contents of which have been reviewed by the Board in Executive Session.

Motion: Brian Widman
Second: Cheryl Lampasona

Yes: Christine Napolitano
Margaret Ballantyne
Nicole Matzer
Brian Widman
Cheryl Lampasona

Passed: Yes

Resolution to Submit Proposition to Voters

RESOLUTION #49 **BE IT RESOLVED**, that the following proposition, in addition to the proposition approving the budget for the District's 2017-2018 fiscal year, be submitted to voters of the District at a meeting to be held on Tuesday, May 16, 2017:

Proposition No. 2 - Authorization to Expend Funds from Capital Reserve

Shall the following resolution be adopted:

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Mineola Union Free School District is authorized to withdraw 4.2 million dollars (\$4,200,000.00) from the Mineola UFSD Capital Reserve Fund established by the District in 2010 to pay for the cost of capital projects at the Meadow Drive School, including construction and renovation of classroom spaces, and at the Mineola High School, including construction of an auxiliary gymnasium, together with all ancillary and related work and fees, including architects' fees in connection therewith.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the District Clerk shall include notice of such proposition in the notice of the annual School District meeting.

Motion: Margaret Ballantyne

Second: Nicole Matzer

Yes: Christine Napolitano

Margaret Ballantyne

Nicole Matzer

Brian Widman

Cheryl Lampasona

Passed: Yes

Dr. Nagler explained that resolution is asking for permission to put another proposition on the ballot. The first proposition will be to approve the budget. The second will be to spend capital reserve. And he wants to remind the public the capital reserve is money we have already saved, 4.2 million, and we are required to ask the voters to spend the money on projects. There are two projects in mind that we would do simultaneously. One is a combination of work at Meadow Drive, either a new cafeteria or renovation of the old cafeteria to include classrooms for science, music and art. The second project is a new gym in the back of the high school that will serve as a new fitness center. It will overlook the field and it will have a rubberized floor so that the winterguard can practice without accidentally damaging a wood floor. It will also serve for the baseball team who sets up the batting cage in the gym. Dr. Nagler stated our programs are growing so a second gym makes sense. We will be able to move Mr. Romano and all the maintenance vehicles and offices from the high school to Hampton Street. He will further details at the next meeting.

Christine Napolitano stated the important piece for voters to realize is this is money we have already saved. This is the way the process has to work. Voters have to be able to have a say in spending the money and this is what we are asking the voters to do. The second consideration is we have been spending money on facilities making solid improvements which we desperately need. and we have a lot more to do. She is hopeful the taxpayers will approve.

Dr. Nagler had 2 amendments for the agenda:

Under Resolution #50 the numbering should be changed to J.1.a. through J.8.b.

Under Resolution #50 - a student needs to be added - Nicholas Ramos, Baseball Boys JV Baseball Team

J. Consensus Agenda

RESOLUTION #50 - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the consensus agenda items J.1.a. through J.8.b., as presented.

Dr. Nagler had 2 amendments for the agenda:

The numbering should be changed to J.1.a. through J.8.b.

A student needs to be added - Nicholas Ramos, Baseball Boys JV Baseball Team

Motion: Margaret Ballantyne

Second: Nicole Matzer

Yes: Christine Napolitano

Margaret Ballantyne

Nicole Matzer

Brian Widman

Cheryl Lampasona

Passed: Yes

1. Accepting of Minutes

- a. That the Board of Education accepts the minutes of the February 16, 2017 Business Meeting as presented.

2. Instruction

a. Appointments Instruction

1. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Lauren Siemann, to the position of Leave Replacement Teacher for Susan Palladino, effective January 25, 2017 to on or before June 30, 2017 with a salary of MA, Step 1, \$68,282.00.

b. Appointments 45 Day Subs

1. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Emily Zwiebel, to the position of 45 Day Substitute Teacher for Catherine McCarthy , effective March 6, 2017 to on or before June 30, 2017. Salary: Days 1-20, \$100.00, Days 21-39 \$110.00, Days 40-45 \$120, Day 46 MA, Step 1, \$68,282.
2. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Jacqueline Nyman, to the position of 45 Day Substitute Teacher for Margaret Buttgereit, effective October 31, 2016 to on or before June 30, 2017. Salary: Days 1-20, \$100.00, Days 21-39 \$110.00, Days 40-45 \$120, Day 46 MA, Step 1, \$68,282.
- c. Appointment(s) Permanent Substitute Teachers
That the Board of Education approves the following individual(s) as Permanent Substitute Teacher(s) for the current school year, at a daily rate of \$100 days 0-10, \$110 after 11-20 consecutive days, \$120 after 21-30 consecutive days, \$130 after 31+ consecutive days; and retirees at a daily rate of \$125.00 per day, \$130 per day after 30 days.:

EMPLOYEE NAME

EMPLOYEE CERTIFICATION

1. Robert Salzer Music

d. Appointment(s) Coaches

That the Board of Education approves the appointment of the following coaches for the current school year:

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EMPLOYEE NAME</u>	<u>STEP</u>	<u>STIPEND</u>
Boys Varsity Baseball	Helmut Bohringer	3	\$8,374.00
Girls JV Lacrosse	Andriana Herbst	1	\$4,605.00
Baseball Varsity Asst	Robert Trenkle	3	\$5,694.00
Baseball JV	Christopher Schacca	3	\$5,799.00
Baseball - 7th grade	Jason Sauter	3	\$5,460.00
Baseball - 8th grade	Gregory Mayo	2	\$4,787.00
Boys Varsity Lacrosse Asst	Matthew Antoniou	3	\$5,691.00
Boys JV Lacrosse	James Durso	1	\$4,605.00
Lacrosse Jr Varisty-Asst	Jamie McAndrew	2	\$3,486.00
7/8 Grade Boys Lacrosse	Mark Miller	3	\$5,442.00
7/8 grade Boys Lacrosse Asst	Joseph Cerulli	3	\$4,788.00
Boys Track Varsity Spring	John Fretz	3	\$7,848.00
Girls Varsity Spring Track	Thomas Leninger	3	\$7,848.00
Track Spring Assistant	Brian Haber	1	\$4,293.00
Softball Varsity	Anthony Tramonte	3	\$8,366.00
Softball Varsity Asst	Caitlin Orlando	3	\$5,688.00
JV Softball	Hilary Hunter	3	\$5,799.00
8th Grade Softball	Vanessa Casper	3	\$5,075.00
Girls Varsity Lacrosse	Frank Massaro	3	\$8,366.00
Girls Varsity Lacrosse Asst	Samantha Henton	2	\$4,996.00
7th Grade Girls Lacrosse	Katherine Bennett	3	\$5,442.00
8th Grade Girls Lacrosse	Elizabeth Reilly	3	\$5,442.00
Boys Varsity Lacrosse	Glenn Cocoman	3	\$8,366.00
7th Grade Softball	Katelyn Maroney	1	\$3,977.00

e. Appointment(s) Club/Stipends

That the Board of Education approves the following Club/stipend recommendations for the current school year:

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EMPLOYEE NAME</u>	<u>STIPEND</u>
Student Council Advisor	Karen Carraro(replacing Linda Capone as of 3/1/16)	\$2,868.00 pro-rated from March-June

3. Instruction: Committee on Special Education

a. That the Board of Education approves the CSE/CPSE/SCSE recommendations for programs and services for the time period of November 2016 to February 2017. Please be advised that all of the parents have received the student's IEP and a copy of their DUE Process rights.

4. Instruction: Student Actions

a. That the Board of Education approves the Athletic Advanced Placement Process request for the following students:

- Sara Tramonte, 8th grade student, to play on the Girls Varsity Softball team
- Abby Meehan, 8th grade student, to play on the Girls Varsity Softball team
- Andrew Maher, 8th grade student, to play on the Boys JV Baseball team
- Zachary Buongiovanni, 8th grade student, to play on Boys JV Baseball team

5. Instruction: Other

That the Board of Education approves the following anticipated vacancies for the 2017 Special Education Extended School Year Program:

Anticipated 2017 ESY Staff

Dates: 7/3/17 to 8/11/17 (School Closed 7/4/2017)

Full Day = 8:00 am to 2:00 pm (6 hours)

Half Day = 8:00 am to 11:30 am (3.5 hours)

- 2 Special Education teachers (6 hours)
- 3 Special Education teacher (6 hours)
- 1 Regular Education teacher (Home & Careers) (6 hours)
- 5 Special Education teachers (3 hours)
- 1 Nurse (6 hours) **EXCEPT** 7/11 to 7/15 and 7/18 to 7/22 (7 hours)
- 1 School Psychologist (6 hours)
- 1 Part-Time Special Education teachers (3.5 hours)
- 3 Speech and Language teachers (5.5 hours)
- 2 Occupational Therapists (5.5 hours)

15 Teachers-in-Training \$8.50 - \$9.00 per hour

15 Teacher Aides Hourly Contract Rate

1 Clerical Hourly Contract Rate

1 Greeter Hourly Contract Rate

6. Civil Service

a. Appointments

1. That the Board of Education approve the appointment of Donna Benvegna, part time Teacher Aide to the position of full time Teacher Aide at the Middle School, effective March 13, 2017. Salary is \$26,462 on Step 5; probation is 8 weeks.
2. That the Board of Education approve the appointment of Mariela Knight, part time Teacher Aide, to the position of full time Teacher Aide effective March 13, 2017. Salary is \$22,221 on Step 1; probation is 8 weeks.
3. That the Board of Education approve the appointment of Phyllis Greco, to the position of part time Typist Clerk in Pupil Personnel, to replace Andrea Paggi, effective April 3, 2017. Salary is \$21.03 per hour on Step 1.
4. That the Board of Education approve the permanent appointment of John Hassell, to the position of Maintainer, to replace Terence Doyle who retired, effective March 13, 2017. Salary is \$48,918 on Step 1.
5. That the Board of Education approve the appointment of Jennifer Maglione, to the position of Nurse at Meadow Drive School, effective March 13, 2017. Salary is \$45,531 on Step 1.

b. Leave(s) of Absence

1. That the Board of Education approve a paid Medical Leave of Absence to Beth Bradley, Part Time Teacher Aide at Meadow Drive School, effective March 1, 2017 through April 5, 2017. Once she runs out of sick days, she is requesting the rest of the time as an Unpaid Medical Leave of Absence due to surgery and new findings.

7. Business /Finance

- a. That the Board of Education approves the Internal Claims Audit Report for February 1, 2017 to February 28, 2017.

b. Treasurer's Report

1. That the Board of Education approves the Treasurer's Report for the period ending December 31, 2016 and directs that it be placed on file.

c. Approval of Invoices and Payroll

1. That the Board of Education accepts the Invoices and Payroll for the period ending February 28, 2017

A/P Warrant # 15	February 8, 2017	\$ 3,238,325.95
A/P Warrant # 16	February 22, 2017	\$ 673,349.07

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 3,911,675.02

PAYROLL #15 & #16

General	\$ 4,083,442.42
Federal Fund	\$ 55,984.71

TOTAL PAYROLL \$ 4,138,427.13

d. Budget Appropriation Adjustment

That the Board of Education approves the transfer of funds, in the amount of \$200,000 from Budget Code: 9010 800 00 8096 to Budget Code : 1621 4180 00 0000 to cover the expenses of projects to be worked on.

e. **Other**

a. Accept Donation

1. That the Board of Education of the Mineola UFSD accepts the donation of a yellow poly cap fence topper for the high school softball team from The MAA.

8. **Business/Finance: Contract Approvals**

a. That the Board of Education approves the Amendment of Lease between the Mineola UFSD and Harbor Day Care Center.

b. That the Board of Education approves the agreement between the Mineola UFSD and the Seneca Consulting Group which provides Affordable Care Act (ACA) administration to the district for the 2017-2018 school year.

K. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent of Schools' Reports for 3/16/17

Presentations:

1. Dr. Nagler stated his report tonight will be on the budget. He has a list of proposals and he stated he wants some guidance. He stated we have already calculated our tax levy at .89 and in the tax error what we simply have done is rollover the entire budget to see if we can afford it the following year and he is happy to report we can afford everything we currently have but we also look to enhancements and typically in a school district it means additional staff. He started with the high school. First is AP Capstone which is a new program by the college board that is a two-step process. There is an AP seminar that takes place in the 10th grade and we would do it in lieu of English H. And the second class is a AP research class that could either be Humanities or Science. Since we already have science we would be expanding it to Humanities. If a student were to pass both of those with a 3.0 or higher they would get a Capstone Certificate. If you couple the Capstone Certificate with any other four APs with a 3.0 or higher, the student would get a Capstone Diploma. Dr. Nagler went on to say that the idea here is #1 - All of our students that do science research would have an AP credit available to them. And #2 - is to branch out the Humanities. The plan is to co-teach this class with a Social Studies and an English teacher. Dr. Nagler stated we are going to have a robotics team from the high school. We built the space, we have the teachers, and he can't wait to compete in the FRC at Hofstra. He stated it's the most involved robotics. The students have to build a Bot in a very short period of time. The Robots are typically half the size of a table and they will be on the field with other robots competing. Its called the Steam Challenge. This will be held at Hofstra. Dr. Nagler stated he would like to expand our advanced manufacturing entrepreneur classes which goes hand-in-hand with the fab lab and the enthusiasm around the fab lab. Dr. Smith, Ms. Culella, Mr. Summers, Mr. Woosley and myself visited QCC last week to speak about what they do and what we do. The professors were here at our fab lab today interacting with our 8th grade students. We have a new course Calculus I for seniors to give them another option instead of AP Calculus. We want all of our students to create website portfolios. We are going to introduce that this year. We want to continue looking at connections between coding and manufacturing. Dr. Nagler reported that Mr. Pereira asked to reintroduce Portuguese as a world language elective which he was happy to agree to. A letter went out to parents about this course. Dr. Nagler reported we are continuing to expand ENL program with a focus on students that are non-English speaking above the age of 16 or older. We are looking have bilingual classes in the subject areas except English class. The middle school is looking to redesign their PBL courses. Mr. Casale and his team are working on this project. We are going to introduce dual language in the 6th grade. He wants to expand our writing initiative. Mr. Casale is looking at a National History Day program. We plan to expand on coding in the classroom. Looking for a professional to help them do this in the classroom. It's a one year position. Dr. Gonzalez at Jackson wants to continue using Edpuzzle to continue the science and social studies videos. She wants to expand the small lab curriculum and align it with math. She is doing something really interesting in making teachers make courses for kids on the oyo platform. He wants to expand and promote and reward our future ready librarians. At Hampton and Meadow we are going to revise some of the ELA curriculum. Dr. Nagler spoke about replacing report cards with digital badges. Dr. Nagler stated that all this would be 3.0 f.t.e. which we can afford in the budget. These are not permanent positions.

Margaret stated she liked that people will be coming in to be faculty developers for a couple of years. She said she likes expanding humanities and adding another language along with the bilingual subject classes.

Cheryl stated it was very well put out and very student centered. She said everything Dr. Nagler proposed was very solid.

Christine said she is very comfortable with all Dr. Nagler's proposals.

L. Public Comments

Public Comments - None

M. Executive Session Time: 8:55 p.m.

Motion: Christine Napolitano

Second: Margaret Ballantyne

Yes: Christine Napolitano _____
Margaret Ballantyne
Nicole Matzer
Brian Widman
Cheryl Lamposona

No: _____

Passed: Yes

N. Adjournment Time: _____ p.m.

Motion: _____

Second: _____

Yes: _____

No: _____

Passed: _____

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda M. Spagnola
District Clerk