

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.*

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**Board Goals – 2010-2011**

- ***Educational***
  - *To further expand the district initiative of differentiated instruction specifically focusing on individual student achievement.*
  - *To continue our growth as professional learning communities focusing on common formative assessments to demonstrate individual student growth*
  - *To continue to provide the resources to attain a Intel finalist within the next three years*
- ***Facilities***
  - *To investigate and embrace projects that incorporate 'green' technologies that over time will decrease our dependency on fossil fuels*
- ***Finance***
  - *To continue the district initiative to actualize a five year plan to maintain a stable tax levy*

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**DATE: May 19, 2011**

**LOCATION: Willis Avenue School**

**OPEN BUSINESS MEETING**

**7:00 p.m. 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Cafeteria**

**Board of Education**

Terence Hale, President  
Christine Napolitano, Vice President  
John McGrath  
William Hornberger  
Irene Parrino

**Central Office**

Dr. Michael Nagler, Superintendent of Schools  
Jack Waters, Asst. Supt. for Finance & Operations  
Patricia Burns, Asst. Supt. of Curr., Instr., Assessment  
Donna Martillo, District Clerk

**A. Call to Order**

At 7:05 p.m. the meeting was called to order by President Hale.

**B. Pledge of Allegiance**

**C. Reading of Mission – William Hornberger**

**D. Moment of Silent Meditation**

**E. Dais & Visitor Introductions**

Also in attendance: Jacob S. Feldman, Esq., Legal Counsel; Jonathon Heidelberger, Esq., Legal Counsel; Rabbi Herrnson of Solomon Schechter Day School; Mr. Harold Lutz of VHB, Mr. Darmstadt, Trustee of the Williston Park Village.

#### **F. High School Student Organization Report**

The High School Student Representative presented a report of events and activities at Mineola High School: 3 teams made playoffs; Student Officer Awards; Spring Concert this Monday; remembering the passing of a High School student, Matthew Hylton with a placque for the High School courtyard; and a new slate of Student Officers for next year (President – Quinn Paggi, Vice-President – Zachary Englis, Secretary – Christopher Gavin, Treasurer – Sharon Yeung, Board of Ed Reps – Matthew Morro & Mathias Penaherrera).

The Superintendent of Schools announced that the student reporting this evening, Luke Escobar will be attending Harvard next year.

#### **G. Old Business**

President Hale announced that there will be two presentations this evening: Mr. Lutz from VHB presenting the Traffic Study Report; and Rabbi Herrnson who will be presenting Solomon Schechter's report on traffic and parking. President Hale stated that after the presentations the public will have the opportunity to comment after Board questions. President Hale requested the audience to respect each other's views and opinions and reminded everyone that calling out would not be tolerated.

Mr. Lutz presented the Traffic Study Report and discussed the following: goals of the study; traffic patterns; develop recommendations as needed; observations; determining the number of vehicles arriving at Solomon Schechter at the end of the day; overall comparison of vehicles; buses would replace the number of cars arriving at Cross each day; rear parking lot of Cross will be a staging area for buses, and with some buses in the front of the school; eliminate overlapping of bell times with St. Aidan's (20 minute offset at dismissal); staggering the release of buses at dismissal; one change to parking restrictions (100' parking restriction marker on west side of Cross Street).

Mr. Hornberger replied it was mentioned in the report under study goals to develop recommendations which are operational in nature as opposed to taking a little longer to implement. Mr. Lutz responded that his experience with schools regarding making infrastructure changes, that they should be subtle; observations will be made during the first week in September 2011, when school begins.

Mr. Hornberger inquired about the number of vehicles that were listed in the report. Mr. Lutz responded that his understanding is that they are proposed types of buses that will be used. Mr. Hornberger inquired about combining runs with local school districts. Mr. Lutz replied that the 36 number is a maximum and the number could go down for that reason. Mr. Hornberger inquired if the number increased to 45 vehicles. Mr. Lutz responded that the situation would then be looked at and monitored during the first few weeks of the start of school. Mr. Hornberger inquired about signage. Mr. Lutz responded that no changes should be made at this time, but can be looked at in the future. Mr. Hornberger inquired about bus travel patterns (Buses turning left on Winthrop and right on Meagher approaching Cross). Mr. Lutz responded, yes. Mr. Hornberger inquired

about dismissal and the flow of bus traffic (To Meagher from both North and south off Willis). Mr. Lutz responded that they are trying to accommodate the majority of buses in the lot. He further stated that after observations of the traffic on Willis and the traffic light on Hillside, there were gaps so cars could make a left on to Meagher. Mr. Hornberger inquired about on-street parking if signage would be changed. Mr. Lutz responded he has not reached out to the Village of Williston Park because signage is under local municipality jurisdiction.

Mr. Hale inquired about adding the 100' parking restriction signage further north on the west side of Cross Street. Mr. Lutz responded that it can be looked into the first week of school.

Ms. Napolitano suggested asking Mr. Darmstadt who was in attendance this evening. Mr. Darmstadt stated he had not heard from their traffic expert.

Mr. Hornberger inquired about the word "flat" in the report as it relates to Mineola's enrollment. Mr. Lutz stated it was irrelevant and can be removed.

Mr. McGrath inquired about the lease and the number 36 which refers to the stagger arrival time for buses. Mr. Heidelberger responded that all recommendations were incorporated into that paragraph imposed on Solomon Schechter as their responsibility.

The Superintendent of Schools stated that he spoke to the mayor and sent him a copy of the report. The Williston Park Village had a meeting Monday where the traffic study was discussed and questions were raised. The Superintendent of Schools stated the Village submitted 18 questions to be directed to the traffic consultant 6 hours prior to this meeting.

The Superintendent of Schools made inquiries as they related to questions the Village of Williston Park and stated there was not a lot of paper to this report. Mr. Lutz replied that a final report will be provided with back-up. The Superintendent of Schools inquired as to data and specifics. Mr. Lutz responded that count sheets, the number of vehicles, the number of observations made. The Superintendent of Schools stated that the Village of Williston Park hired a traffic consultant who would like to review VHB's findings. The Superintendent of Schools directed Mr. Lutz to speak with and share their report with the Village of Williston Park's traffic consultant.

Rabbi Herrson spoke on behalf of Solomon Schechter Day School regarding relocating the Glen Cove campus to the Cross Street School. His purpose was to respond to the traffic study (SSDS to begin school at 7:40 a.m., 20 minutes earlier and stopping time of 3:26 p.m.; afternoon buses will be released at 2 intervals; until arrangements are made for offsite parking, no Solomon Schechter student will be permitted to drive to school which will be monitored by security guards; Solomon Schechter will monitor parking and make adjustments when possible and reasonable; Solomon Schechter is optimistic about the no parking zone on Cross and welcomes this modification;); presented Google maps of Cross and the surrounding area as well as aerial views; will encourage and suggest the route the buses driving Solomon Schechter students should take, but has no control in that area; majority of buses will load in parking lot, and 8 or 9 on Cross Street; will adopt the recommendation of the traffic report regarding the parking lot; looks forward to joining the neighbors in beautiful Williston Park; thanked the Board of Education for their trust and belief in Solomon Schechter.

President Hale now opened up questions to the Board.

Mr. Hornberger requested confirmation of the Rabbi as to the start and end time for Solomon Schechter (7:40 a.m. to 3:26 p.m.). The Rabbi responded that it is 3:26 p.m. changed from 3:46 p.m and on Fridays Solomon Schechter dismisses at 1:30 p.m. as well as holidays, i.e. Passover.

Mr. Hornberger inquired about procedures in releasing buses at dismissal. The Rabbi responded that all buses will be staged by the security people (3) and each release will be staggered, when the 1<sup>st</sup> group is successfully gone, then the 2<sup>nd</sup> wave will be released, which should be accomplished in 4 minutes.

Mr. Hornberger inquired about the impact on traffic on Hillside Avenue east of Cross Street with the lights and train station. Mr. Lutz responded that not all buses will be making a left onto Hillside and felt the flow will not overwhelm that roadway.

Ms. Parrino inquired if VHB viewed Cross lately. Mr. Lutz responded that VHB conducted their observations in the month of April and will make additional observations in September.

Ms. Napolitano inquired of the Rabbi about Solomon Schechter's current practice of holding up traffic. The Rabbi responded that it will not be happening at Cross.

Mr. Hale inquired about enforcing students not driving to school and how many currently drive. The Rabbi responded fewer than 20. Mr. Hale requested clarification as to the size of the buses going to Solomon Schechter as 1 full size and 20 vans. The Rabbi responded that they don't have very much control, but doesn't foresee any changes. They have projected enrollment and it will shrink. Mr. Hale inquired where the full size bus will be staged. Mr. Lutz responded within the 100' parking restricted area in front of the school.

The Superintendent of Schools explained the following: how Cross was advertised (Newsday article February 2010 reporting about the Board's decision to close 2 buildings); inquiries received about the buildings; sequence of events in the showing of 3 buildings; tour of buildings on March 9, 2010; no interest at that time in Cross; contacted by Solomon Schechter on August 25<sup>th</sup>; interest in Meadow Drive by another entity. The Superintendent of Schools also discussed the following: a Newsday article regarding what Solomon Schechter was paying Glen Cove in leasing their current building; current market values compared to the past; 2 instances where BOCES left locations seeking cheaper rent; suggested possibly running a program to generate revenue for the district.

The Board now took questions from the public.

- ❖ A resident commented that if he were driving a bus he would not be making a left onto Hillside Avenue from Cross Street and is concerned if they do that. The resident requested the district conduct a "dry run".
- ❖ A resident inquired as to who would be monitoring the 5 recommendations from VHB. The Superintendent of Schools responded that some of the recommendations refer to start time, VHB will do an observation in the Fall.

- ❖ A resident inquired if any of the Board Members had gone to Cross to witness the flow of traffic. Mr. Hale responded yes. The resident then asked if he visited SSDS Glen Cove site to see the traffic. Mr. Hale responded he has not.
- ❖ A resident inquired as to the actual number of buses mentioned in the report. The Rabbi responded that the vans park like cars. The resident inquired as to the reason to extend Cross' parking lot. Mr. Lutz responded to accommodate 10 vehicles on Cross Street, additional parking restriction was needed. The resident inquired if the Town was aware of this and what is the impact on the roads. Mr. Lutz responded that the roads are made to accommodate traffic and will not have an ill effect. The resident inquired if the buses and vans will back up traffic affecting the railroad. Mr. Lutz responded that is the reason for the phase control at dismissal; and not all will go east or west. Mr. Lutz stated that one of the recommendations is to observe in September to review and make revisions. The resident suggested that Solomon Schechter purchase small vans to reduce buses. The Superintendent of Schools responded that he does not have an answer for that and will take it up with them. The resident suggested Mineola go outside the district to take on some of the load on. The Superintendent of Schools replied that he is to ascertain the legalities of that. The resident also suggested that if they are coming from Roslyn to combine runs to reduce the number of buses. The Superintendent of Schools responded that in the Fall an observation will be conducted. The resident inquired as to when the full traffic study report will be available. Mr. Lutz responded a matter of weeks. The resident inquired if the district is prepared to wait for the conference between VHB and the Village's consultant before they vote on the lease. Mr. Hale responded only if it needs to be modified. Mr. McGrath interjected that unless the expert is telling him there were material misstatements in the report and is ready to vote on the lease tonight. The resident inquired if the lease was being voted on this evening. Mr. Hale responded yes. The resident inquired if the lease has changed since the last time. The Superintendent of Schools responded that he had a discussion with the Athletic Director and explained that using the permit system for using the fields is not plausible. The resident inquired as to the cost of renovating the "cow pasture" for the girls' softball team. The Superintendent of Schools responded that they are waiting to get a survey and upgrading the field was in the budget that was passed by the community two days ago and further explained the history in making capital repairs to the district's facilities. The resident stated that the fields were not going to be part of the lease in December. The Superintendent of Schools responded that he said he would try to maintain the fields for community use.
- ❖ A resident commented that she was more concerned with the impact on the quality of life and believes this is a huge impact and if quality of life was taken into account regarding the study. Mr. Lutz responded that it does not impact the quality of life. The resident felt the traffic in the morning on Willis is brutal and strongly requested that the Board not sign the lease.
- ❖ A resident voiced concern that SSDS's start time was 7:40 a.m. and her children are on the corner of Hillside and Willis at that time on their way to St. Aidan's and requested a dry run.
- ❖ A resident inquired of Rabbi Herrnson if Solomon Schechter re-locating to Williston Park helped increase enrollment. The Rabbi responded that Solomon Schechter would love their enrollment to increase, Williston Park is a central location which means a shorter travel time for his students, but their current enrollment has gone down. It would take a wave of new enrollees, and knows it won't happen. He further stated that due to the lease they are capped at 300 students and if they were to approach 300 they would be moving. The resident inquired about Solomon

Schechter's student drivers. The Rabbi responded that Solomon Schechter has instructed their students to request transportation from their districts and has prohibited Seniors from driving to school for the time being until an off site parking facility is located.

- ❖ A resident inquired about the 20 minute gap in start time. Mr. Lutz responded that they were trying to take into account activity for both schools and felt 20 minutes was appropriate. The resident inquired if the goal was to preserve or enhance. Mr. Lutz responded preserve and that there are just as many vehicles involved. The resident commented about risk. Mr. Lutz responded that risk is minimal. The resident inquired about SSDS students driving. Mr. Lutz responded that Solomon Schechter isn't allowing students to drive to school.

Mr. Hornberger requested confirmation that Cross' current bell time as 8:32 a.m. and St. Aidan's 8:00 a.m. The Superintendent of Schools responded that the difference between times 12.

- ❖ A resident stated they were sad that Cross was closing and is concerned about the traffic.
- ❖ An attendee stated they were not a resident and requested confirmation that a dry run was not conducted yet. The Superintendent of Schools responded yes. The resident commented that the traffic study without a dry run was a sham and requested the signing of the lease be put off until it is done.
- ❖ A resident commented on the quality of life of residents on Meagher and Cross and property values will negatively be affected due to the traffic and requested the Board to reconsider.
- ❖ A resident commented that due to the current traffic he does not permit his children to cross the street now and felt next year it will be like a conga line and inquired if VHB took into account surrounding blocks. Mr. Lutz responded that they looked at the immediate area (Meagher, Willis, Winthrop, Pembroke, and Hillside Avenue). The resident inquired if an operational change could be made that would make a difference. Mr. Lutz responded yes, and further stated that this report was an independent review of the impact it could potentially have on the area.
- ❖ A resident commented about the lease and use of ball fields. The Superintendent of Schools stated at certain times. The resident inquired about traffic, parking safety concerns if they were included. Mr. Lutz responded yes.
- ❖ A resident requested of the Board to reconsider the lease and stated they could have done better.
- ❖ A resident inquired as to the number of teachers in the school. The Rabbi stated approximately 65 staff. The resident inquired if buses will be parking on the south side of Meagher. The Rabbi replied that SSDA will be adopting the recommendations of the plan that was presented. The resident requested that the Board vote the lease down.

President Hale stated the Board would allow 2 more questions/comments.

- ❖ A resident inquired as to the time the observations were conducted. Mr. Lutz responded between 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and counted 50 vehicles and 4 buses and 46 to 56 cars dropping off students on days the observations were conducted. The resident inquired why the hours were not being kept the same as Cross Street's and commented that she cannot understand how the Board could vote without doing a dry run. The resident commented that if Solomon Schechter starts at 7:40 a.m. students should be

there at 7:30 a.m. The resident also inquired if the traffic study was done on a day when CCD was going on. The Rabbi responded that SSDS is adopting the recommendations of the traffic study report.

Mr. Hale stated that every school has traffic problems.

After numerous residents requested the district to enact a dry run prior to signing the lease, the Superintendent of Schools explained the difficulty in trying to replicate the situation in having a dry run.

- ❖ A resident commented that they heard St. John's was contacted to lease their parking lot on Willis for the SSDS student drivers. The Rabbi responded that it has been recommended by people in this room.
- ❖ A resident inquired about snow storms. Mr. Lutz responded that with any storm event you will reduce your parking capacity.
- ❖ A resident inquired if anyone had contacted the Principal of St. Aidan's and the Monsignor. The Superintendent of Schools stated that VHB has spoken with Ms. Oliver, Principal of St. Aidan's. The Rabbi stated that he had spoken with Ms. Oliver and Monsignor.
- ❖ A resident commented that he is very concerned about safety and felt the staggering of times was good, but not enough.
- ❖ A resident questioned the start time. Mr. Lutz responded that this was the reason for the offset of time.

Ms. Parrino inquired if there was anything in the lease regarding re-evaluating the area in September. The Superintendent of Schools stated that if there are further modifications in the Fall that need to be implemented the Board wants the ability to do that. Legal Counsel stated it would be difficult. Mr. Hale inquired if the resolution could be amended. Legal Counsel stated that the resolution can be amended.

Mr. Hornberger inquired about SSDS obtaining their own vehicles. The Rabbi stated that they are not in the transportation business. The Rabbi further stated that SSDS has made significant concessions to see the lease through to the end with hardship.

Mr. Hornberger inquired of the Superintendent of Schools if the district could make runs for SSDS. The Superintendent of Schools responded that they are not Mineola students and does not believe it can be done. Legal Counsel stated that the district would have to contract its buses to do that, but there are a lot of conditions.

Mr. McGrath and Mr. Hornberger agreed they were satisfied that the Board did its due diligence and ready to vote.

Mr. Hale stated he appreciated everyone's comments and concerns.

## **H. New Business**

- 1. TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE RESOLUTION OF MINEOLA UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK, ADOPTED MAY 19, 2011, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$17,000,000 TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES IN**

**ANTICIPATION OF THE RECEIPT OF TAXES TO BE LEVIED  
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2012**

**RESOLUTION #81** - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Mineola Union Free School District, in the County of Nassau, New York as follows:

Section 1. Tax Anticipation Notes (herein called "Notes") of Mineola Union Free School District, in the County of Nassau, New York (herein called "District"), in the principal amount of not to exceed \$17,000,000, 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, 2011 and ending June 30, 2012, 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 Sections 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.

**Motion:** Christine Napolitano

**Second:** John McGrath

**Discussion:** Mr. McGrath inquired if the Board was approving this early. Mr. Waters responded that the district was borrowing at the end of July and Bond Counsel required it be done prior. Mr. McGrath requested an explanation as to what a TAN was. Mr. Waters explained that the district does not receive tax money from the Town until 5 months into the new year and the TAN bridges the district until they receive it, and the TAN is paid back at the end of the year. Mr. McGrath inquired as to why Bond Counsel was needed. Mr. Waters responded they prepare the note.

**Yes:** Irene Parrino  
William Hornberger  
John McGrath  
Christine Napolitano  
Terence Hale

**No:** None

**Passed:** Yes

The resolution was declared adopted.

## I. Consensus Agenda

### 1. Accepting of Minutes

None

### 2. Instruction

#### a. Resignation(s)/Leave of Absence(s)

1. That the Board of Education grants a request to Nicole Moriarty, for a leave of absence, for child-rearing purposes, using accumulated sick days, starting approximately August 29, 2011 followed by an unpaid leave of absence for the 2011-2012 school year.
2. That the Board of Education grants a request to Elizabeth Goldman, for a leave of absence, for child-rearing purposes, using accumulated sick days, followed by an unpaid leave of absence, starting approximately September 9, 2011 to January 31, 2012.
3. That the Board of Education grants a request to Nancy Rojas, for a leave of absence, for child-rearing purposes, using accumulated sick days, starting April 28, 2011.
4. That the Board of Education grants a request to Christine Shields-Markoski, for an unpaid leave of absence, due to personal reasons, effective May 23, 2011 to June 24, 2011.

b. Appointments

1. That the Board of Education approves the addition of the following candidates to the Per Diem Substitute Teacher List at a daily rate of pay, \$90.00:

Jacqueline Marinelli Students w/disabilities (Birth-2)  
Students w/Disabilities (1-6)

2. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of the following teachers for the **Summer Jump Start Program**, to be funded through Title III Immg; salary, hourly summer wages as per MTA contract (Based on 2010-2011 contractual rates):

	<u>STEP</u>	<u>STIPEND</u>
Jennifer Capella	1	\$1,726.80
Laura Kligman	1	1,726.80
Andrea Romano	2	1,876.80

3. That the Board of Education approves the following staff members for the **Summer Language Programs 2011**, to be funded by Title III LEP & Title I Funds, (Salary, hourly summer wages are based on the MTA 2010-2011 contractual rates):

	<u>STEP</u>	<u>STIPEND</u>
Maureen Cromwell <b>Elementary Administrator</b>	3	\$3,673.00

**Elementary Teachers**

Jodi DeSantis-Helming	1	3,280.92
Morgan Mercaldi	2	3,565.92
Margaret Moroney	3	3,854.91
Thomas Nucci	3	3,854.91
Charyn Restituyo	3	3,854.91
Marie Watson	3	3,854.91

Dominick Tolipano <b>M.S. Administrator</b>	3	3,673.00
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**M.S. Teachers**

John O'Malley	3	3,854.91
Mary Raguseo	1	3,280.92
Lindsay Spanhake	2	3,565.92
Caryl Salesi	3	3,854.91

4. That the Board of Education approve the summer appointments of the following 10 month employees for the **Elementary Summer Language Program**, to be funded by Title III LEP; salary is based on the 2008/2009 Teacher Aide salary schedule:

Claire Gavin	Step 10	18.51
Nancy Gessner	Step 10	18.51

5. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Laura Doherty, to the position of 45 Day Substitute Teacher for Andrea Antonelli, effective May 16, 2011 to on or before June 30, 2011; salary: Days 1-20, \$90.00; Days 21-39, \$100.00; Days 40-45, \$110.00; Day 46 contract salary - \$67,604.00 pro-rated.
6. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Carrie Dambrose, to the position of 45 Day Substitute teacher for Nancy Rojas, at the Middle School, starting approximately May 11, 2011 to on or before June 30, 2011 Salary: Days 1-20 \$90, Days 21-39 \$100, Days 40-45 \$110, Day 46 contract salary – BA, Step1, \$58,123 pro-rated.
7. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Jaime Becker, to the position of 45 Day Substitute teacher for Jessica Perry, part time (.5) UPK teacher, at Willis Avenue School, starting May 9, 2011 to June 30, 2011 Salary: .5 of Days 1-39 \$50, Days 40-45 \$55, Day 46 contract salary – .5 of MA+10, Step1, \$69,104 = \$34,552 pro-rated.

**2.1. Instruction: Committee on Special Education Actions**

**2.2. Instruction: Contracted Instructional Services**

a. Contract for OASAS Youth Drug Abuse Services

1. That the Board of Education approves of a contract between the Mineola Union Free School District and Nassau County to provide services as it relates to Alcoholism and Substance Abuse

**2.3. Instruction: Student Actions**

**2.4. Instruction: Other**

**3. Civil Service**

a. Resignation(s)/Leave of Absence(s)

1. That the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Loretta Grgas, part time Teacher Aide at the Middle School, effective April 28, 2011.
2. That the Board of Education approves a paid Leave of Absence for Kim Baker, Head Mechanic in Transportation, effective April 25, 2011. Recuperation period has not yet been established and is at the doctor's discretion.

3. That the Board of Education approves a paid Medical Leave of Absence for James Carlson, Bus Driver for Transportation, effective April 25, 2011. Approximate return date will be one month.

b. Appointments

1. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Cathy LaRock to the substitute Teacher Aide list, effective May 2, 2011; salary will be \$13.74 per hour.
2. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Gonzalo Giron, Jr. to the position of Cleaner Sub, effective May 23, 2011; salary will be \$12.25 per hour.
3. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Ramona Mujica to the position of Bus Driver Sub, effective May 23, 2011; salary will be \$21.81 per hour.
4. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Andrew Greenberg to the position of Bus Driver Sub, effective May 23, 2011; salary will be \$21.81 per hour.
5. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Anthony Reid to the position of .5 Bus Driver to replace Gustavo Lopez, effective May 23, 2011; salary will be Step 1, \$21,819 (2009/2010 salary schedule); probationary period, 26 weeks.

4. Business/Finance

a. Treasurer's Report

1. That the Board of Education accepts the Treasurer's Report for the period ending March 31, 2011 and directed that it be placed on file.

b. Approval of Invoices and Payroll

1. That the Board of Education approves the Invoices and Payroll for the period ending April 30, 2011.

Warrant #19	\$1,102,540.35
Warrant #20	\$ 484,169.16
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$1,586,709.51</b>

PAYROLL #19 & #20

General	\$4,148,106.36
Fund F	\$ 112,113.02
<b>TOTAL PAYROLL</b>	<b>\$4,260,219.38</b>

c. Budget Appropriation Adjustment

1. That the Board of Education approves the acceptance of revenue in the amount of \$10,300 generated from the sale of outdated computer equipment and make appropriation adjustments to the following Budget Code:

- 2630.200.00.2930                      \$10,300.00

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

- a. That the Board of Education approves the contract between the Mineola Union Free School District and Labor Education & community Service Agency, Inc. (LECSA), an employee assistance program, for services from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012.

**4.2. Business/Finance: Bids**

**5. Other**

- a. Amend Election Inspector(s) Work Hours

1. That the Board of Education amends the following Election Inspector(s) workday as follows:

Reduce hours of Patricia McMahon from 5:00 am-9:30 pm to 6:00 pm to 9:30 pm  
Appoint Gina Hahn as Inspector at Meadow Drive School from 6:00 pm to 9:30 pm  
Amend Madeline Cegelski's hours from 5:00 am to 9:30 pm

**RESOLUTION #82** – **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the Board of Education approves Consensus Agenda items I.1.a. through I.5.a.1., as presented.

**Motion:** John McGrath  
**Second:** Christine Napolitano

**Yes:** William Hornberger  
John McGrath  
Christine Napolitano  
Terence Hale

**No:** None

Ms. Parrino was away from the table.

**Passed:** Yes

**RESOLUTION #83** – **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education of the Mineola Union Free School District adopts the following Resolution:

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education has previously determined, and does hereby reaffirm, that the Cross Street School is not currently and, for the foreseeable future, will not be needed for School District purposes, and

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Education further determines that the proposed leasing of the Cross Street School to the Solomon Schechter Day School of Nassau County is in the

best interests of the School District, and that the rental payments provided by the proposed lease are not less than the fair market rental value, now therefore be it

**RESOLVED**, that the proposed lease of the Cross Street School to the Solomon Schechter Day School of Nassau County be and the same is hereby approved, subject to such modifications as may be negotiated by Counsel with the Board's approval, and be it further

**RESOLVED**, that the President of the Board of Education be and hereby is authorized and directed to execute the said lease.

**Motion:** John McGrath  
**Second:** William Hornberger

**Yes:** Irene Parrino  
William Hornberger  
John McGrath  
Christine Napolitano  
Terence Hale

**No:** None

**Passed:** Yes

**J. Public Comments**

**K. Board of Education Reports**

- Comments from Board President
- Board Committee Report
- Superintendent of Schools' Reports & Comments
  - Superintendent Comments

The Superintendent of Schools made the following announcements: 4:30 p.m. tomorrow Boys baseball game, they are impressive this year; Boys LaCrosse in the playoffs against Seaford tomorrow.

- Capital Updates
- Table Reports
  - Finance and Operations Report
    - Monthly Financial Report
    - Building & Grounds Report
      - Building Usage
      - Vandalism
      - Work order status
    - Transportation Report
- Special Reports
  - \*Public Questions - Board Committee Reports; Student Organization Report; Superintendent's Report; Table Reports (All Finance & Operation Functions); and Special Report

The Superintendent of Schools stated he is in need of an executive session.

**L. Executive Session**

At 9:34 p.m. a motion was made for the Board to go into executive session to discuss the medical, financial, credit or employment history of a particular person or corporation, or matters leading to the appointment, employment, promotion, demotion, discipline, suspension, dismissal or removal of a particular person or corporation.

**Motion:** Christine Napolitano  
**Second:** Terence Hale

**Yes:** William Hornberger  
Christine Napolitano  
Terence Hale  
**No:** Irene Parrino  
John McGrath

**Passed:** Yes

President Hale stated the Board may return at any time

At 10:25 p.m. the Board returned to open session.

**M. Adjournment**

At 10:25 p.m. a motion was made to adjourn this meeting of the Board of Education.

**Motion:** John McGrath  
**Second:** William Hornberger

**Yes:** Irene Parrino  
William Hornberger  
John McGrath  
Christine Napolitano  
Terence Hale  
**No:** None

**Passed:** Yes

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Martillo  
District Clerk