

**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 - 2013-2014

Educational

- To continue to integrate the Common Core standards with an emphasis on new grade level assessments which measure student progress in specific standards
- Develop and implement a plan to encourage HS students to challenge AP and/ or College level coursework with the goal of every student gaining this experience before they graduate
- Develop a system to assess the District's Strategic Objectives and report on progress toward those objectives
- Explore the feasibility of 5 day Pre-K for all students

Facilities

- Explore the feasibility of green technologies as part of the projects associated with our Capital reserve expenditures
- Implement and maintain a comprehensive security plan

Finance

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

DATE: June 19, 2014

LOCATION: Willis Ave. School

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

Board of Education

Arthur Barnett, President
Christine Napolitano, Vice President
Patricia Navarra, Trustee
Nicole Matzer, Trustee
William Hornberger, Trustee

Central Office

Dr. Michael Nagler, Superintendent of Schools
Jack Waters, Asst. Supt. for Finance & Operations
Patricia Burns, Asst. Supt. of Curr.,Instr.,&Assess.
Andrea Paggi, District Clerk

A. Call to Order- 7:05pm

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Reading of Mission- William Hornberger

D. Moment of Silent Meditation

E. Dais & Visitor Introductions

F. High School Student Organization Report

Tonight's Student Organization report was by Felicia Vella. It was reported that Cabaret Night took place at the High School and the students choose the songs that they perform. The songs have a special meaning to the students. Ms. Vella stated that the Thespian Dinner was bittersweet due to the fact that there were 40 graduating students this year. She will miss them all. Felicia discussed some of the other events which have taken place at the High School recently including: National Honor Society Induction, Student Service Breakfast, the Science Symposium, the Spring Concerts and senior week. The Graduation will take place on 6/28/14. The Summer Showcase will include songs from a variety of musicals. After Felicia completed her report, Dr. Nagler thanked her and Pallak Anad. He stated that they have added a great deal to the meetings each month with their reports.

G. BOE Reports

a. Comments from Board Trustees

b. Comments from Board President

c. Comments from Superintendent

There were no Board reports at this time.

H. Old Business

Mr. Barnett asked the Board if there was any old business this evening. Mr. Hornberger stated that he had a few items of old business. He inquired if the District has utilized the BOCES bids for vendors. The Superintendent stated that we still need to request the information for external auditors and architects. Mr. Hornberger asked about emails regarding maintenance around the buildings, specifically Hampton. Dr. Nagler responded that the issue raised was early morning lawn mowing and the issue has been resolved. Mr. Hornberger also recalled an issue about the field usage at Jackson Avenue. The Superintendent has not received any requests. Mr. Hornberger asked for an update on the summer camps and Dr. Nagler stated that the times of the various classes have been adjusted. The Summer Music program includes: beginner band and orchestra and intermediate band and orchestra plus chorus. Mr. Hornberger asked if a child could opt out of chorus if they are only interested in band/orchestra. Dr. Nagler stated that the students are expected to do both. Mr. Hornberger inquired about the Ipad return and the count of damaged items. The Superintendent reported that there were about 4 cracked screens in each grade and the new cases seemed to help. There were a few damaged cases and the company, from which they were purchased, is replacing the damaged ones. Mr. Hornberger asked for the status of the Jackson Cafeteria project and was told that the job will begin after school ends and the district has the permit from the State.

Ms. Matzer asked for an update on the Fuel Depot. The Superintendent reported that asphalt needed to be done as a result of damage from the winter. The job is expected to wrap up the 2nd week of July and diesel fuel has been ordered. Ms. Navarra asked for the status of the Driver's Education program. The new instructor

has been hired and is on this agenda for approval and a new car has been ordered. There was no additional old business.

I. New Business

RESOLUTION # 73 - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the transfer of a sum not to exceed \$4,000,000, of unassigned fund balance from the 2013-14 fiscal year, to the previously established Capital Reserve Fund.

Motion: Nicole Matzer

Second: William Hornberger

Discussion: The Superintendent explained that the money is not being put in the fund yet; this resolution gives the District the ability to put money into the reserve once the books are closed in August. The Board will need to decide how the money will be used. The Superintendent recommends using this money for a turf field at Hampton as well as additional building work and a boiler for the High School. He reminded everyone that a vote is needed to spend the money in Capital reserve and a vote could take place in May. There was no further discussion.

Yes: William Hornberger
Nicole Matzer
Patricia Navarra
Christine Napolitano
Arthur Barnett

No: None

Passed: Yes

RESOLUTION # 74 - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the transfer of a sum not to exceed \$ 500,000, of unassigned fund balance from the 2013-14 fiscal year, to the previously established Worker's Comp Reserve Fund.

Motion: Christine Napolitano

Second: Patricia Navarra

Discussion: The Superintendent stated that this is similar to Resolution #73, this gives the ability to put money into this fund after the books are closed in August. The money in this fund can be used as needed, no vote is necessary.

Yes: William Hornberger
Nicole Matzer
Patricia Navarra
Christine Napolitano
Arthur Barnett

No: None

Passed: Yes

RESOLUTION # 75-BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education accepts the donation of \$7,000.00 from the Meadow Drive PTA for an illuminated art display for the Meadow Drive Library and makes an appropriation increase adjustment to Budget code: 2610.500.04.4910.

Motion: Patricia Navarra

Second: Nicole Matzer

Discussion: The Superintendent stated that this is a gift to the Meadow Drive School from the PTA to be used specifically for an illuminated art display in the library. Students' artwork will be displayed and there will be the ability to change out the artwork. There was no additional discussion.

Yes: William Hornberger
Nicole Matzer
Patricia Navarra
Christine Napolitano
Arthur Barnett

No: None

Passed: Yes

J. Consensus Agenda

RESOLUTION # 76- BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the consensus agenda items J.1.a. through J.9.b., as presented.

Motion: Nicole Matzer

Second: William Hornberger

Discussion: The Superintendent stated that he would like to mention item J.2.b.1- the appointment of Joe Owens as Supervisor of Fine and Performing Arts. Dr. Nagler takes great pride in recommending Mr. Owens and added that he has known him and his family for a long time. He stated that Joe has done a good job as interim and has many good ideas for the future of the program. The Board was in favor of the appointment and the formal vote was taken on Resolution #76. Ms. Napolitano stated that she was abstaining from the vote due to the inclusion of her daughter's appointment in this consensus agenda. She added that she was in favor of the appointment of Mr. Owens.

Yes: William Hornberger
Nicole Matzer
Patricia Navarra
Arthur Barnett

No: None

Abstain: Christine Napolitano

Passed: Yes

* After the vote was taken, Mr. Barnett opened the floor to public comment regarding the appointment of Joe Owens only, due to the fact that there were many supporters in the audience for Mr. Owens. There was one comment from a parent/community member expressing her support of Mr. Owens and all that he will offer the program.

1. **Accepting of Minutes**

- a. That the Board of Education accepts the minutes of the April 24, 2014 Business/BOCES Vote Meeting and the May 8, 2014 Budget Hearing/Workshop Meeting as presented.

2. **Instruction**

a. Leave(s) of Absence/Child Rearing

1. That the Board of Education grants a request to Maureen Connolly, for an unpaid Leave of Absence, for child-rearing purposes, effective September 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015.

b. Appointments Instruction

1. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Joseph Owens, to the position of Supervisor of Fine and Performing Arts, effective July 1, 2014. AMSA Salary: Step 1, \$144,176. Probationary Period: July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2017.
2. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Peter Macedo, to the position of Driver Education Coordinator for Fall 2014 and Spring 2015. Salary of \$6,724.

c. Appointment(S) Sub Teacher per diem

The Board of Education accepts the following individual(s) as Per Diem Substitute Teacher(s) for the current school year, at a daily rate of \$100.00 per day; and retirees at a daily rate of \$125.00 per day.:

EMPLOYEE NAME

EMPLOYEE CERTIFICATION

1. Madeline Dressner Childhood Ed(1-6), SWD(1-6)

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 Basketball	Ezra Elliott	1	\$7,307

e. Appointment(S) Summer Special Education

That the Board of Education approves the following staff members for the Summer Special Education Program

<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EMPLOYEE NAME</u>	<u>STEP</u>	<u>STIPEND</u>
1. Teacher	Laura Baldwin (filling vacancy left by resignation of Daniel McAree previously approved 5/22/14)	Step 1	\$58.14

3. **Instruction: Committee on Special Education**

- a. That the Board of Education approves the CSE/CPSE/SCSE recommendations for programs and services for students with IEPs for the time period from 4/1/14- 4/30/14. Please be advised that all of the parents have received the student's IEP and a copy of their DUE process rights.

4. **Instruction: Contracted**

- a. That the Board of Education approves the Interpreter Services Agreement between the Mineola UFSD and Mill Neck Services for the 2014- 2015 school year.
- b. That the Board of Education approves the Summer Related Services Agreement between the Mineola UFSD and All Island Kids Therapy, LLC for the 2014- 2015 school year.

- c. That the Board of Education approves the Related Services Agreement between the Mineola UFSD and All Island Kids Therapy, LLC for the 2014- 2015 school year.
- d. That the Board of Education approves the Transition Services Agreement between the Mineola UFSD and Abilities for the 2014- 2015 school year.
- e. That the Board of Education approves the Related Services Agreement between the Mineola UFSD and Access 7 Services, Inc. for the 2014- 2015 school year.
- f. That the Board of Education approves the Related Services Agreement between the Mineola UFSD and All About Kids for the 2014- 2015 school year.
- g. That the Board of Education approves the Autism Services Agreement between the Mineola UFSD and Brookville Center for Children's Services, Inc. for the 2014- 2015 school year.
- h. That the Board of Education approves the Education Services Agreement between the Mineola UFSD and Brookville Center for Children's Services, Inc. for the 2014- 2015 school year.

5. **Instruction: Student Actions**

- a. That the Board of Education approves the following out-of-state overnight field trip:

Guidance Department - 45 students to visit four colleges in Rhode Island with four chaperones - University of Rhode Island, Brown University, Roger Williams University, and Providence University. September 18-19, 2014.

6. **Civil Service**

- a. **Appointments**

- 1. That the Board of Education approve the appointments of the following Summer Cleaners to begin to work effective July 7, 2014 through August 15, 2014. Salary will be \$8.00 per hour:

Hampton Street

Michael Grabow
Quinn Paggi
Dominic Paggi

Middle School

Tommy Farrell
Jake Tavernite
Anthony Cuester
Dylan Bestler

Jackson Avenue

Chris Farrell
Danny Mendes
Tom Mullane
Ryan Kelly
Patrick Brady
Brian Smith

High School

Jacob Escobar
Kyle Dunleavy
James Gerstner
James Breslin
Logan Dunleavy

Meadow Drive

Steven DePalma
Ryan DePalma
Leo Gorry
Nick O'Connor

Grounds

Michael Gaimo
Michael Romano
Pete McCormack
James Cashin
Matt Diaz

Willis Avenue

Eamon O'Neill
Edien Hincapie

b. Resignation(s)

1. That the Board of Education accept, with regret, the resignation for the purpose of retirement, of Patricia Suppe, Teacher Aide at the Middle School, effective June 30, 2014.
2. That the Board of Education accept the resignation for the purpose of retirement, of Gail Weldon, Teacher Aide at the Middle School, effective June 30, 2014.

c. Leave(s) of Absence

1. That the Board of Education grant a request to Katherine Merendino, Principal Account Clerk in the Business Office for a Family Medical Leave of Absence, effective July 1, 2014 through September 30, 2014.
2. That the Board of Education grant a request to Mary Anne Phillips, part time Teacher Aide at the Middle School, to extend her Unpaid Medical Leave of Absence, effective June 2, 2014 through June 27, 2014, due to an injury.

d. Appointment(S) Summer Seasonal Appointments

That the Board of Education approves the following staff members for the Summer Seasonal Appointments for HS Mineola East:

	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EMPLOYEE NAME</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
1.	Seasonal Worker	Judith Granath	\$8.00	08/25/2014
2.	Seasonal Worker	Jane Lapin	\$8.00	08/25/2014
3.	Seasonal Worker	Rosina Sarno	\$8.00	08/25/2014

e. Appointment(S) Summer HS

That the Board of Education approves the following summer workers for the High School effective July 1, 2014 through August 30, 2014 for HS Main Office and Guidance:

	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EMPLOYEE NAME</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
1.	Stenographer	Jeanne Cribbin	\$38.80
2.	Sr. Typist Clerk	Patricia Derosa	\$40.09
3.	Seasonal Worker	Jill Mullane	\$8.00

f. Appointment(S) Summer Special Ed Teacher Aides

That the Board of Education approves the following staff members for the Summer Special Education Program:

	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EMPLOYEE NAME</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
1.	Typist Clerk P/T	Madeline Cegelski	\$21.03	07/01/2014
2.	Teacher Aide	Sara Bond	\$32.98	07/01/2014
3.	Teacher Aide	Gladys Cuzco	\$27.89	07/01/2014
4.	Teacher Aide	Nancy Gessner	\$20.32	07/01/2014
5.	Teacher Aide	Angela Hagan	\$17.31	07/01/2014
6.	Teacher Aide	Donna Larose	\$29.30	07/01/2014
7.	Teacher Aide	Barbara Miller	\$27.89	07/01/2014
8.	Teacher Aide	Marilyn Pisano	\$27.89	07/01/2014
9.	Teacher Aide	Kathy A. Pumbo	\$20.81	07/01/2014
10.	Teacher Aide	Melanie M. Reif	\$23.32	07/01/2014
11.	Teacher Aide	Diane Ricciardi	\$13.74	07/01/2014
12.	Teacher Aide	Lorena Romano	\$26.55	07/01/2014
13.	Teacher Aide	Marie Sallie	\$30.18	07/01/2014
14.	Teacher Aide	Rosina Sarno	\$21.35	07/01/2014
15.	Teacher Aide	Jacqueline Teemsma	\$28.59	07/01/2014
16.	Teacher Aide	Marianne Wachter	\$20.32	07/01/2014
17.	Typist Clerk Sub	Evelyn Roser	\$12.32	07/01/2014

	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EMPLOYEE NAME</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
18.	Teacher Aide Sub	Kathleen Aiello	\$13.74	07/01/2014
19.	Teacher Aide Sub	Michael DeSantis	\$13.74	07/01/2014
20.	Teacher Aide Sub	Annette Karlewicz	\$13.74	07/01/2014
21.	Teacher Aide	Lynn Clifford	\$13.41	07/01/2014

g. Appointment(S) Summer Special Ed Teachers-In-Training

That the Board of Education approves the following Teachers-In-Training for the Summer Special Education Program:

	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EMPLOYEE NAME</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
1.	Seasonal Worker	Jessica Barry	\$8.50	07/01/2014
2.	Seasonal Worker	Kelsey A. Baumann	\$9.00	07/01/2014
3.	Seasonal Worker	Perry Llanes	\$9.00	07/01/2014
4.	Seasonal Worker	Janine Miller	\$9.00	07/01/2014
5.	Seasonal Worker	Emily Mooney	\$9.00	07/01/2014
6.	Seasonal Worker	Kelsey Napolitano	\$9.00	07/01/2014
7.	Seasonal Worker	Lauren Siemann	\$8.75	07/01/2014
8.	Seasonal Worker	Patricia Gasiewski	\$8.50	07/01/2014
9.	Seasonal Worker	Margaret Hardiman	\$8.50	07/01/2014
10.	Seasonal Worker	Miriam Maiman	\$8.50	07/01/2014
11.	Seasonal Worker	Shannon Timlin	\$8.50	07/01/2014

h. Appointment(S) Summer Bus Aides

That the Board of Education approves the following staff members as Summer Bus Aides from 7/1/14 through 8/27/14:

	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EMPLOYEE NAME</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
1.	Bus Attendant	Daisy Aviles	\$39.38	07/01/2014
2.	Bus Attendant	Donna Buckley	\$37.12	07/01/2014
3.	Bus Attendant	Dolores Delape	\$18.05	07/01/2014
4.	Bus Attendant	Kathleen Diskin	\$31.09	07/01/2014
5.	Bus Attendant	Rhonda Kaletsky	\$19.81	07/01/2014
6.	Bus Attendant	Michele Krumholz	\$31.09	07/01/2014
7.	Bus Attendant	Frances Lapoff	\$31.09	07/01/2014
8.	Bus Attendant	William Miceli	\$19.35	07/01/2014
9.	Bus Attendant	Barbara Nichols	\$11.13	07/01/2014
10.	Bus Attendant	Olga Santoli	\$11.13	07/01/2014
11.	Bus Attendant	Guy Penny	\$11.73	07/01/2014
12.	Bus Attendant	Giovanna Randazzo Klein	\$27.26	07/01/2014
13.	Bus Driver	Maria Coleman	\$25.00	07/01/2014

i. Appointment(S) Summer Bus Driver(s)

That the Board of Education approves the following staff members as Summer Bus Drivers from 7/1/14 through 8/27/14:

	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EMPLOYEE NAME</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
1.	Bus Driver	Joaquim Farinhas	\$25.00	07/01/2014
2.	Bus Driver	Sandra Moon	\$25.00	07/01/2014
3.	Bus Driver	Cecil Meikle	\$25.00	07/01/2014
4.	Bus Driver	Julia Adames	\$25.00	07/01/2014
5.	Bus Driver	Ronald Albano	\$25.00	07/01/2014
6.	Bus Driver	Teresa Coleman	\$25.00	07/01/2014
7.	Bus Driver	Josefina Dasilva	\$25.00	07/01/2014
8.	Bus Driver	Maria David	\$25.00	07/01/2014
9.	Bus Driver	Lee Dunninger	\$25.00	07/01/2014

	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EMPLOYEE NAME</u>	<u>SALARY</u>	<u>EFFECTIVE</u>
10.	Bus Driver	Francis Feeley	\$25.00	07/01/2014
11.	Bus Driver	Brian Flynn	\$25.00	07/01/2014
12.	Bus Driver	James Gallagher	\$25.00	07/01/2014
13.	Bus Driver	Gregory Glover	\$25.00	07/01/2014
14.	Bus Driver	Stephen Graf	\$25.00	07/01/2014
15.	Bus Driver	Andrew Greenberg	\$25.00	07/01/2014
16.	Bus Driver	Nancy Jones	\$25.00	07/01/2014
17.	Bus Driver	Daniel McNamara	\$25.00	07/01/2014
18.	Bus Driver	Ramona Mujica	\$25.00	07/01/2014
19.	Bus Driver	Yale Napier	\$25.00	07/01/2014
20.	Bus Driver	Ronald Pierrot	\$25.00	07/01/2014
21.	Bus Driver	Anthony Reid	\$25.00	07/01/2014
22.	Bus Driver	Gustavo Rodriguez	\$25.00	07/01/2014
23.	Bus Driver	Vincent Sanseverino	\$25.00	07/01/2014
24.	Bus Driver	Marta Saravia	\$25.00	07/01/2014
25.	Bus Driver	Joan Selvin	\$25.00	07/01/2014
26.	Bus Driver	Cheryl Thwaites	\$25.00	07/01/2014

7. **Business /Finance**

a. **Treasurer's Report**

That the Board of Education accepts the Treasurer's report for the period ending April 30, 2014 and directs that it be placed on file.

b. **Approval of Invoices and Payroll**

That the Board of Education accepts the Invoices and Payroll for the period ending May 31, 2014

A/P Warrant # 21	May 14, 2014	\$ 419,632.32
A/P Warrant # 22	May 28, 2014	\$ 2,624,524.73

TOTAL EXPENSES \$3,044,157.05

PAYROLL # 21 & # 22

General	\$4,210,580.07
F Fund	\$ 57,944.89

TOTAL PAYROLL \$4,268,524.96

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

a. That the Board of Education approves the Health Contracts, providing health services for Mineola resident children attending non-public school, between the Mineola UFSD and the following school districts for the 2013- 2014 school year:

Commack Union Free Public School
Garden City Union Free Public School
Hempstead Public Schools
Jericho Union Free School District
Manhasset School District
New Hyde Park- Garden City Park School District
Northport- East Northport School District
Port Washington School District
Syosset Central School District
Uniondale Union Free School District
West Hempstead Union Free School District

9. **Business/Finance: Bids**

a. That the Board of Education approves the awarding of the Irrigation Installation & Service Co-Op bid for the 2014- 2015 school year to Byrne and Son, the lowest responsible bidder, meeting all specifications.

b. That the Board of Education approves the awarding of the Security Services bid for the 2014- 2015 school year to Guard America, the lowest responsible bidder, meeting all specifications.

Walk-On Agenda

Memorandum of Agreement

RESOLUTION # 77- BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Mineola Union Free School District hereby authorizes and approves the memorandum of agreement between the Board of Education and the Association of Mineola School Administrators, dated June 17, 2014; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to incorporate said memorandum of agreement into a more formal written agreement and further authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute said formal written agreement

Motion: Patricia Navarra

Second: Christine Napolitano

Discussion: The Superintendent explained that this Memorandum of Agreement clarifies language in the contract.

Yes: William Hornberger
Nicole Matzer
Patricia Navarra
Christine Napolitano
Arthur Barnett

No: None

Passed: Yes

K. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent of Schools' Reports for 6/19/14

Presentations:

1. P- 12 STEAM Curriculum Finalization

Tonight, the Superintendent presented the finalized STEAM Curriculum *(this can be found on the District website, on the Board of Education page, under the heading- presentations). The Superintendent displayed the chart and explained that everything in red print is new for next year and items in black are already in place. The Superintendent stated that for the most part this is the same chart presented on May 20. Dr. Nagler highlighted in the 9th grade, we will be exploring computer science for all students. The Computer Science will include: Q1-Humans and Computers, Q2- Coding, Q3- Robotics and Q4- App development. They will also be adding a co-curricular for grades 8 and 9- First Tech Challenge. In the 7th grade, the Minecraft game will be used and they will explore the use of student generated "worlds" in Humanities curriculum. Dr. Nagler added that eSpark will employ 4 students over the summer to test their new App. eSpark had asked the students to design a new App and the 5th graders submitted their designs. The winners will be used to do the testing over the summer. He stated that the kids are the best designers because they are the ones using the program. Dr. Nagler stated that he is very excited about the STEAM curriculum. There was no additional discussion or comments.

Superintendent Comments

The Superintendent stated that he had a few quick comments. He attended that Senior Awards Breakfast on June 11th and he wanted everyone to know that the community gave \$70,000 to our seniors this year. He wanted to thank the community which is very supportive of our students. Dr. Nagler added that he wanted to thank Marie DeSpirito for organizing the event.

The Superintendent stated that information had been sent out to parents of students at Jackson Avenue and the Middle School regarding using the Ipads over the summer. The 3rd graders (80) will be using eSpark for summer reading and Grades 4, 5 and 6 (400) will be doing summer reading on edmodo. Dr. Nagler stated that he is looking forward to the High School Graduation. He attended Field Day at Jackson Avenue and stated that the students had fun and the event was very organized.

Mr. Barnett stated that before he opens the floor to public comments he would like to take time to recognize Will Hornberger on his last meeting as Board Trustee. Mr. Barnett stated that the District is better off because of Will's service. He stated that Will stood up for his ideals and always listened to the community. Mr. Barnett stated that while they did not always agree, they always came to an agreement. Ms. Matzer thanked Will for all that he has done for the children in our district. She also thanked him for asking and answering all of the tough questions. Ms. Matzer will miss Will. Ms. Navarra stated that their politics are very different but they both love this community. She stated that because of Will the Board is productive, pleasant and peaceful. Ms. Napolitano stated that it took her a while to figure out Will. She stated that working together through the reconfiguration process was both a very difficult time and a very good time. Will never waivered on what was right, even during some very dark times. She stated that his eyes were always on the students. Will is known as the "number guy", but she added that he is much more than that. Will is steadfast and committed. Ms. Napolitano stated that they do disagree at times and always come to consensus thru much communication. Ms. Napolitano stated that they have had many proud moments together. She thanked Will for always standing by her and told him to enjoy his time with his family. Ms. Napolitano stated that Will truly made a difference during his time on the Board. The Superintendent stated that Will has the distinction of voting against his contract and their first year working together was not always pleasant. Dr. Nagler stated that Will

has the ability to see what is coming down the road. If reconfiguration had not taken place, Mineola would have lost programs and we would not be where we are today. Mineola is the only Apple Distinction School on Long Island; the only district with an efficiency grant; and the only district offering full day pre-k. It is a special person who volunteers to take on this role. Dr. Nagler considers Will a friend and stated that his contributions to the district will be felt long after this.

Will Hornberger stated that he has been looking forward to this day. He originally ran for the Board of Education because he felt that the students were not receiving the tools needed to succeed. The District needed to reconfigure and settle contracts, which was not a simple process. He is happy to say that 4 out of 5 contracts have been resolved and he has confidence in all parties that the final contract will be settled. Mr. Hornberger thanked the Board for their commitment and for putting up with him. He has faith that the Board will continue to work towards achieving their goals. Will thanked the voters. He also thanked the many parent volunteers and their commitment to the children. Will thanked his friends who have remained his friend throughout this time. Will thanked his wife, Teresa for her guidance, love and support. Will thanked the students of Mineola who exemplify the mission of the district and encouraged them to never be afraid to succeed. He looks forward to graduation.

L. Public Comments

Mr. Barnett opened the floor to public comment. The first speaker was a graduating senior who thanked the Superintendent and the Board for giving her the opportunity to attend LIHSA. The next speakers were three high school students currently enrolled in Latin. They came to support the continuation of the Latin program and to explain how much it means to them. Mr. Barnett thanked them for coming and assured them that Latin is not being cut from the High School. The Superintendent added that we are committed to students taking three years of Latin. The district just wants to begin to plan in the event that the current teacher retires. He stated that letters have been sent home to notify students about this information. The next speaker was a parent of a student enrolled in Latin. She presented the Board with a petition signed by 300 individuals in support of continuing Latin. She stated that she is thankful that the program will continue. The next speaker was Teresa Hornberger who stated that she was very proud of Will and added that everything he did was with the kids and the taxpayers in mind. She finished by reading "YAY You!". The last speaker was a parent/community member who thanked Mr. Hornberger for his service on the Board. There were no additional public comments.

M. Executive Session Time: 8:30 p.m.

A motion was made for the Board of Education to go into Executive session to discuss negotiations.

Motion: Nicole Matzer

Second: William Hornberger

Yes: William Hornberger
Nicole Matzer
Patricia Navarra
Christine Napolitano
Arthur Barnett

No: No

Passed: Yes

N. Adjournment **Time:** _____ **p.m.**

Motion: _____

Second: _____

Yes: _____

No: _____

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Respectfully Submitted,

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