

MINEOLA UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT  
MINEOLA, NY

**Workshop 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 – 2009-2010**

- ***Educational***
  - *To further expand the district initiative of differentiated instruction specifically denoting how schools plan to move student achievement from level to level as well as preventing student regression within and between levels*
  - *To continue to develop our relationship with Winthrop Hospital to develop a career academy at the HS for students pursuing potential post HS opportunities.*
  - *To establish guidelines for the health and wellness of our children that encompasses curriculum, food program(s) and safety policies*
- ***Facilities***
  - *To investigate and embrace projects that incorporate ‘green’ technologies that over time will decrease our dependency on fossil fuels*
- ***Finance***
  - *To create a five year financial landscape that captures status quo and tax levy projections. Those projections will then be articulated to the community in order to open a dialogue about the future of Mineola.*

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**DATE: October 1, 2009**

**LOCATION: Willis Avenue School**

**OPEN WORK SESSION**

**7:00 p.m. 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Staff Lounge**

**Board of Education**

William Hornberger, President  
Terence Hale, Vice President  
John McGrath  
Laraine Salvatore  
Christine Napolitano

**Central Office**

Dr. Michael Nagler, Superintendent of Schools  
Sherri Goffman, Deputy Superintendent  
John Waters, Asst. Supt. of Finance & Oper.  
Janice Patterson, Asst. Supt. of Pupil Services  
Lori Dolan, Asst. District Clerk

**A. Call to Order**

At 7:00 p.m. the meeting was called to order by President Hornberger.

**B. Pledge of Allegiance**

**C. Reading of Mission**

**D. Moment of Silent Meditation**

- E. Dais & Visitor Introductions**
- F. Old Business**

Mrs. Salvatore stated that one of her “tasks” was to review District Policies, adding that three are to be reviewed annually: Petty Cash, Code of Conduct and Investments. She presented them to Mr. Hornberger to review. Mrs. Salvatore also asked Mr. Hornberger to review policies from other districts she researched on the web: The Closing of Schools and School Board Meeting Protocol. A discussion ensued with regard to the possible purchase of a mat to protect the new High School Gym floor. Mr. Hornberger inquired about the date for the Audit Committee Meeting and it was agreed that this would be held on October 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. at the High School.

**G. New Business**

**1. Instructional Contract**

**RESOLUTION #29 – BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approves of an agreement between the Mineola Union Free School District and Family Service League, Inc. for evening computer classes to low income adults who are Mineola residents for the 2009-2010 school year.

**Motion:** Terence Hale  
**Second:** John McGrath

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

**No:** None

Passed: Yes

**H. Superintendent’s Reports**

The Superintendent of Schools introduced Ms. Applewhite and Mr. Leopardi to present an update on the Middle School and High School Science Research Program, reviewing prior years, the current program and goals for the 2010-11 school year and beyond.

The Superintendent of Schools then introduced Sherri Goffman who presented the 20082009 Annual Report, NY Learns, Professional Learning Communities, Assessments and S.M.A.R.T. Goals (S.M.A.R.T. Goals to be further presented at the December 3<sup>rd</sup> Board meeting).

Mr. Hornberger asked to open up the meeting to public comment and there was no public comment.

**I. Executive Session**

At 8:50 p.m. a motion was made to go into Executive Session for the purposes of discussing 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:** John McGrath  
**Second:** Christine Napolitano

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

**No:** None

**Passed:** Yes

**J. At 9:50 p.m. a motion was made to adjourn this meeting of the Board of Education.**

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

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

**No:** None

**Passed:** Yes

Respectfully submitted,

Lori Dolan  
Assistant District Clerk