BAC MEETING MINUTES 11/9/10

The meeting began at 7:00 in the district office conference room.

The following members attended: Alan Sacher, Mike Isernia, Paul Killian, Ed Hudson, Jim Mayers, Perry Russell, Larry Levy and Terri Ahearn. From the district office was Ron Sacks and Bruce Singer. Meeting observer was Vincent Lopreto.

- The Committee members present voted unanimously to accept the Minutes of the meeting of October 26, 2010.
- The Committee was given copies of the (1) 2011-2012 Budget Development Calendar, (2) excerpts from a legal treatise on School District Fund Balances Appropriations & Reserves and (3) the modified 2010-2011 Budget reflecting the BOE actions from the October 6th Meeting.
- Mr. Vincent Lopreto was introduced to the members. Mr. Lopreto will be formally sworn in as a member of the Committee on November 17th.
- Ron Sacks conducted an informational session regarding the overall make-up and accounting codes used in the budget.
- The Committee Chair, Alan Sacher, discussed the Committee becoming involved in the 2011-2012 budget process earlier then the January 28th date that was set for the BOE to receive the first draft budget proposal.
- The Committee acknowledged that they recognized, in the budget, approximately 80% was made up of contractual items that could only be truly affected by changes in program. The Committee expects a formal charge from the BOE at, or very soon after, the November 17th Meeting.
- The Committee Chair, Alan Sacher, discussed that the Committee would like to take a "nothing is off limits" approach to reviewing the budget.
- Michael J. Isernia informed the Committee that he has been offered the appointment to fill the vacant seat on the BOE. It is anticipated that he will be sworn in at the November 17th BOE Regular Meeting.

ACTION ITEMS:

1) The Committee Chairman will attend the November 17th BOE Meeting and speak on the Committee's behalf regarding a formal charge and the direction the Committee would like to take in the budget development process, and

2) The Secretary will forward the approved Minutes of the previous meeting to Ron Sacks for posting on Sachem Website.

The meeting ended at 8:45 and the next meeting is scheduled for November 23, 2010 at 7:00 PM in the district office conference room.