

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.

Board Goals - 2022 - 2023

Educational

- To continue the Jackson21 and Synergy initiatives with the implementation of competency based learning management system (LMS) using proficiency scales. Both initiatives will continue to place an emphasis on self-directed learning, real world experiences and learner voice and choice.
- Affirm and explain the evolution of our instructional model. Engage stakeholders to examine the past, present and future direction of our school system.

Integrated Curriculum
Redesigning Assessment
Computational Thinking
Flexible Learning Spaces
Growth Mindset

Responsive Instructional Practice
Visible Learning
Design Thinking

Learner Identity

- Adopt the new State guidelines for Civics with an emphasis for all seniors to obtain the Seal of civic readiness

Facilities

- Create a new 5-year Capital improvement plan that addresses the outstanding items in the new Building Condition Survey (BCS). Plan should also include building enhancements related to future programs.

Finance

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

DATE: Tuesday, April 4, 2023

Mineola High School Auditorium - 7:00 p.m.

Board of Education

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne, President
Patrick Talty, Vice President
Cheryl Lampasona, Trustee - absent
Brian Widman, Trustee
Stacey DeCillis, Trustee

Central Office

Dr. Michael Nagler, Superintendent of Schools
Catherine Fishman, Deputy Superintendent
Andrew Casale, Asst. Supt. for Business & Operations
Linda Spagnola, District Clerk

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- A. Call to Order - 7:04 p.m.
- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Reading of Mission - by Stacey DeCillis
- D. Moment of Silent Meditation
- E. Dais & Visitor Introductions - Cheryl Lampasona absent
- F. Student Recognitions
- G. BOE Reports
 - 1. Comments from Board Trustees - Stacey DeCillis, Brian Widman and Patrick Talty
 - 2. Comments from Board President - Dr. Margaret Ballantyne
 - 3. Comments from Superintendent - Dr. Michael Nagler

H. Old Business

There was no Old Business this evening.

I. New Business

Budget Adoption Resolution

RESOLUTION #56 - Be it Resolved: That the Mineola Board of Education approves the Adoption of the 2023-2024 Educational Plan and Budget in the amount of \$109,652,819, as submitted or, if necessary, with revisions, and further

Be it Resolved: that the Mineola Board of Education approves the real property tax report card prepared by the District's Business Office for the 2023 Annual District Meeting; and be it further

RESOLVED that a copy of said report card shall be submitted to the State Education Department by the end of the next business day following this approval.

Motion: Patrick Talty
Second: Stacey DeCillis

Yes: No:

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne _____
Patrick Talty _____
Brian Widman _____
Stacey DeCillis _____

Passed: Yes

Adoption of BOCES 2023-2024 Annual Operating Budget

RESOLUTION #57 - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Mineola Union Free School District approves the Nassau BOCES Proposed Administrative Operations Budget for the 2023-2024 school year in the amount of \$25,220,812.

Motion: Patrick Talty
Second: Brian Widman

Yes: No:

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne _____
Patrick Talty _____
Brian Widman _____
Stacey DeCillis _____

Passed: Yes

SCOPE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

RESOLUTION #58 - **BE IT RESOLVED** that the Board of Education approves the license agreement between the Mineola UFSD and SCOPE Educational Services for the 2023-2024 Before and After Child Care Program.

Motion: Stacey DeCillis

Second: Brian Widman

Yes:

No:

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne _____

Patrick Talty _____

Brian Widman _____

Stacey DeCillis _____

Passed: Yes

Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding Program - 2023-2024 School Year

RESOLUTION #59 - WHEREAS, various educational and municipal corporations located within the State of New York desire to bid jointly for generally needed services and standardized supply and equipment items; and

WHEREAS, the Mineola UFSD, an educational/municipal corporation (hereinafter the "Participant") is desirous of selectively participating with other educational and/or municipal corporations in the State of New York in joint bidding in the areas mentioned above pursuant to General Municipal Law § 119-o and Education Law Section 1950; and

WHEREAS, the Participant is a municipality within the meaning of General Municipal Law § 119-n and is eligible to participate in the Board of Cooperative Educational Services, First Supervisory District of Suffolk County (hereinafter Eastern Suffolk BOCES) Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding Program (hereinafter the "Program") in the areas mentioned above; and

WHEREAS, the Participant acknowledges receipt of the Program description inclusive of Eastern Suffolk BOCES' standard bid packet and the general conditions relating to said Program; and

WHEREAS, with respect to all activities conducted by the Program, the Participant wishes to delegate to Eastern Suffolk BOCES the responsibility for drafting of bid specifications, advertising for bids, accepting and opening bids, evaluating bids, awarding via Eastern Suffolk BOCES Board approval, and reporting the results to the Participant.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Participant hereby appoints Eastern Suffolk BOCES to represent it and to act as the lead agent in all matters related to the Program as described above; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Participant hereby authorizes Eastern Suffolk BOCES to place all legal advertisements for any required cooperative bidding in Newsday, which is designated as the official newspaper for the Program; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a Participant Meeting shall be held annually consisting of a representative from each Program Participant. Notice of the meeting shall be given to each representative at least five (5) days prior to such meeting; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that an Advisory Committee will be formed consisting of five to ten representatives of Program Participants for a term of three (3) years as authorized by General Municipal Law §119-o.2.j.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Agreement with the Participant shall be for a term of one (1) year as authorized by General Municipal Law §119-o.2.j.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Participant agrees to pay Eastern Suffolk BOCES an annual fee as determined annually by Eastern Suffolk BOCES to act as the lead agent for the Program.

Motion: Patrick Talty
Second: Stacey DeCillis

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Yes:

No:

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne _____

Patrick Talty _____

Brian Widman _____

Stacey DeCillis

Passed: Yes

Transportation Agreement with Nassau BOCES

RESOLUTION #60 - WHEREAS, a number of public school districts in Nassau County wish to jointly solicit proposals, together with the Nassau Board of Cooperative Educational Services ("BOCES") for pupil transportation services for the 2023-2024 school year (and any renewal period) in accordance with the applicable provisions of General Municipal Law;

WHEREAS, the public school districts and the BOCES have agreed to form a Cooperative (the "Cooperative") for this purpose;

WHEREAS, the Mineola School District is desirous of participating in the Cooperative for joint solicitation of proposals for pupil transportation services as authorized by General Municipal Law, Section 119-0 in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Inter-Municipal Cooperative Transportation Agreement attached hereto;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the School District to participate in the Cooperative; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approves the Inter-Municipal Cooperative Transportation Agreement (Recitals) attached hereto and authorizes the Board President to execute the Agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

Motion: Brian Widman

Second: Patrick Talty

Yes:

No:

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne _____

Patrick Talty _____

Brian Widman _____

Stacey DeCillis

Passed: Yes

RESOLUTION #61 - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby approves the terms of an agreement with an employee whose name has been made to the Board in Executive Session #04584 and be it further

Resolved that the Superintendent of Schools is authorized to execute the agreement on behalf of the Board of Education.

Motion: Patrick Talty
Second: Stacey DeCillis

Yes: No:

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne _____
Patrick Talty _____
Brian Widman _____
Stacey DeCillis _____

Passed: Yes

RESOLUTION #62 - School Breakfast and Lunch Prices

That the Board of Education sets the school breakfast and lunch prices for the 2023-24 to conform to the Equity in School Meal Pricing of the Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act as follows:

	<u>Elementary</u>	<u>Secondary</u>
Breakfast	\$1.75	\$2.00
Lunch	\$2.25	\$2.50

Motion: Brian Widman
Second: Patrick Talty

Yes: No:

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne _____
Patrick Talty _____
Brian Widman _____
Stacey DeCillis _____

Passed: Yes

J. CONSENSUS AGENDA

RESOLUTION #63 - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the consensus agenda items J.1.a.1. through J.3.b.1., as presented.

Motion: Brian Widman
Second: Patrick Talty

Yes: No:

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne _____
Patrick Talty _____
Brian Widman _____
Stacey DeCillis _____

Passed: Yes

1. **Instruction**

a. **Leave of Absence - Child-Rearing**

1. That the Board of Education grants a request to Nayeli Calle-Sousa, for a Leave of Absence, for child-rearing purposes, using accumulated sick days, starting approximately May 16, 2023.
2. That the Board of Education grants a request to Jillian B. Edwards, for an unpaid Leave of Absence, for child-rearing purposes, for the 2023-2024 school year.
3. That the Board of Education grants a request to Lindsay M. Borges, for a Leave of Absence, for child-rearing purposes, using accumulated sick days, starting approximately June 18, 2023 followed by an unpaid FMLA starting September 1, 2023.
4. That the Board of Education grants a request to Victoria N. Berkowitz, for a Leave of Absence, for child-rearing purposes, using accumulated sick days, starting approximately July 9, 2023 followed by an unpaid FMLA starting September 1, 2023.

b. **Appointments**

1. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Christopher M. McCann, to the position of Supervisor of Athletics, Health, and Physical Education, effective July 1, 2023 with a salary of AMSA Supervisor, Step 1, \$150,697 and a Probationary Period from July 1, 2023 to June 30, 2027.

c. **Instruction: Summer Virtual Reading Program**

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1. **Summer Virtual Reading Program (Incoming Grades 2 - 6)**

Location: Virtual

Dates: 7/11/2023 to 8/3/2023

Hours: 1 hour TBD (between 8:30am - 2:30pm)

Title: 18 Elementary Certified Teachers (*Reading Certified preferred - Foundations/WILSON/Spire trained*)
3 Substitute Teachers

Rate of Pay: Per MTA Contract

2. **CIVIL SERVICE**

a. **Resignation(s)**

1. That the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Aileen Scott, Account Clerk for the District, effective March 15, 2023.

b. **Appointment(s)**

1. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Maritza Juela Juela, to the position of Substitute Cleaner for the District, effective April 5, 2023 with a salary of \$15.00/hr.
2. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Opakar N. Singh, to the position of Substitute Teacher Aide, effective March 27, 2023 with a salary of \$15.00/hr.
3. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Lucia Schumann, to the position of PartTime Teacher Aide at Meadow Drive, effective March 27, 2023 with a salary on Step 1, \$15.26/hr.
4. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of William Lewis, to the position of Assistant Mechanic, effective March 27, 2023 with a salary on Step 14, \$68,740.
5. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Chad Lauri, to the position of Cleaner for the District, effective April 11, 2023 with a salary on Step 1 of \$46,000.

c. **Leave of Absence - Personal**

1. That the Board of Education grants a request to Maryellen Vescovi, for a Leave of Absence, due to personal reasons, effective March 8, 2023.

d. **Leave of Absence - Paid Medical**

1. That the Board of Education approves a paid Medical Leave of Absence to Miriam Shevlin, Nurse at the High School, effective March 16, 2023 through March 29, 2023, then on unpaid leave through March 31, 2023.
2. That the Board of Education approves a paid Medical Leave of Absence to Marlene Mills, Teacher Aide at the High School, effective April 24, 2023. She will return to work September 5, 2023.

3. **BUSINESS / FINANCE**

a. **Business/Finance - Contract Approvals**

1. That the Board of Education approves Health Contracts between the following district(s) and the Mineola UFSD, whereby said districts provide health and welfare services for the 2022-2023 school year.
 - Garden City UFSD
 - South Huntington UFSD
 - Bellmore Public Schools
2. That the Board of Education approves an agreement with Camp Towanda to provide facilities usage for Mineola HS Marching Band for the period of August 19, 2023 through August 24, 2023 and authorizes the Asst. Superintendent for Business & Operations to execute said agreement.
3. That the Board of Education approves CSE and CPSE recommended programs and services from January and February 2023.
4. That the Board of Education approves the contract with CBIZ Valuation Group to provide the district with services for Capital Asset Reporting for the 2023-24 fiscal year and authorizes the Assistant Superintendent for Business and Operations to execute said agreement.

b. **Business/Finance: Donation**

1. That the Board of Education of the Mineola UFSD accepts a donation in the amount of \$100 to the Mineola High School Robotics Club from the Nocera Restaurant, Inc., 2429 Jericho Turnpike, Garden City Park, NY 11040.

K. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent of Schools' Reports

Presentations:

1. Budget Adoption Presentation - Andrew Casale

Superintendent Comments

L. Executive Session - No executive session this evening

M. Adjournment Time: 8:36 p.m.

Motion: Patrick Talty
Second: Brian Widman

Yes: No:

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne _____
Patrick Talty _____
Brian Widman _____
Stacey DeCillis

Passed: Yes

Respectfully Submitted,

Linda M. Spagnola
District Clerk