

**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 - 2012-2013

Educational

- To use technology and NWEA assessment data to provide differentiated homework thereby increasing individual student achievement.
- To implement the Common Core Curriculum with an emphasis on assuring a correlation between the grade level unit assessments and State exam.
- Create grade 7-12 ELA curriculum in line with Common Core shifts in ELA/Literacy
- Continue to encourage HS students to challenge AP and/ or College level coursework with the goal of every student gaining this experience before they graduate
- Continue to engage the community in the District's Strategic Plan with a specific focus on the quality indicators that define Mineola's expectations of academic excellence.
- Assess the long term viability and explore expansion of the elementary world language program. Assess current program through parental input and student data.
- Implement, monitor and assess the effectiveness of the Pre-K -7 science program

Facilities

- Continue projects that incorporate 'green' technologies that over time will decrease our dependency on fossil fuels
- Begin to fund our Capital Reserve with the goal of achieving new windows and doors on all 4 elementary buildings

Finance

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

DATE: November 15, 2012

LOCATION: Willis Ave. School

OPEN WORK SESSION

7:00 p.m. 2nd Floor Board Room

Board of Education

William Hornberger, President
Terence Hale, Vice President
Irene Parrino, Trustee
Arthur Barnett, Trustee
Christine Napolitano, Trustee

Central Office

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

A. Call to Order - 7:08 pm

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Reading of Mission- Jack Waters

D. Moment of Silent Meditation

E. Dais & Visitor Introductions

F. High School Student Organization Report

Tonight's report is by Britney Vera. It was reported that Winter sports have just begun at the high school. The SO is sponsoring a Thanksgiving food drive and the goal is to feed 15 families. Ms. Vera stated that the try-outs have started for the musical "In the Heights". Finally, Ms. Vera stated that on behalf of the Student Organization, she would like to invite the Superintendent and the Board to eat lunch at the high school during period 7 and/or 8. The Superintendent inquired if Mr. Escobar, principal, was aware of this invitation and Ms. Vera responded that he was aware. It was explained that the SO would like the Board to experience lunch and to be aware of the following: portion size, price and the fact that the cafeteria runs out of some food items during 8th period. The Superintendent and the Board stated that they would make arrangements to come to the lunch during these periods. The Superintendent thanked Britney for her report.

Next, the Superintendent introduced Mr. DeLuca for a special presentation. Mr. DeLuca invited everyone to attend this year's Fall Drama- "The Diary of Anne Frank". The date has been moved to Friday, 11/30 and Saturday, 12/1 due to the storms. Mr. DeLuca introduced two of the thespians to give a brief peak at the play. He explained that this year there were many new actors in lead roles at the high school. Both of the students presented a piece of dialogue for the Board. The Superintendent thanked them for their performances and encouraged everyone to attend the play.

G. Old Business

Mr. Hornberger asked the Superintendent to give an update on the impact of Sandy on the district. The Superintendent stated that no one expected a storm of this magnitude and it is unprecedented that schools were closed for a week. Dr. Nagler discussed the challenges of getting information out to the district through the robo-calls. In order to place those calls, you need both the internet and phone service. He stated that the first call made to the district was made out behind the Starbuck's in Garden City. This storm made him aware that communication is a big issue. The Superintendent stated that there are two issues to address regarding communication: 1. a need for a generator for our server and phone lines and 2. a back-up internet connection (currently we go thru BOCES and they were down due to the storm). Another issue that has come up as a result of the storm is how we get fuel for our buses. Currently, the station that we must go to get gas is 12 miles away. The Superintendent has reached out to the mayor about a partnership to address this issue. The Board expressed their support of the Superintendent looking into solutions for these three issues. The Superintendent also stated that there was very little damage to the school buildings and no major damage. At Jackson Avenue, part of the copper roof came off and at the Middle School, there were some trees down. Ms. Parrino stated as the result of the storm and the trouble with communication, more parents now want their cell phone numbers to be added to the phone list.

Mr. Hornberger asked for a construction update. The Superintendent stated that this evening the Board would be voting whether to accept the bid for the Meadow Drive project and he added that the company is ready to begin work. At Jackson Avenue, the contractor is ready to start the loop project on Monday, and anticipates that the job will take a week.

Mr. Hornberger asked for an update on the sound system for the Board meetings. The Superintendent stated that he has put out calls to other vendors and is awaiting their response.

The next update discussed was the Superintendent's evaluation. Mr. Hornberger stated that at the last meeting the evaluation was discussed and it is necessary for the Board to come to a consensus as it is past the time for goal setting and we need to move forward. Mr. Hornberger stated that he is comfortable with the current drafted set-up which includes that the Board's basis for rating is mandatory. Mr. Hale stated that he is in agreement with using the template and feels comments must be mandatory. Mr. Hornberger asked District Legal Counsel what mandatory versus best practice is. It was stated that in the evaluation process it is best practice to have written explanation for a rating. Mr. Barnett asked for further clarification of "best practice" and was provided with an explanation from counsel. Ms. Parrino wanted clarification if this meant that each member was to provide comments for each standard and it was stated that that is what would be expected. The Superintendent would provide goals with a list of deliverables as well as a year end review. Ms. Napolitano stated that she feels that providing comments and feedback for a particular rating is a basic expectation and is a very vital piece. Mr. Hornberger polled the Board and asked if everyone is comfortable with the draft format that we have and with the goals listed. Ms. Parrino asked for clarification from the Superintendent of the bullets listed and was given an explanation. The Board was in agreement with the format and the goals.

The next item for discussion was the Erie BOCES policy review. The Superintendent stated that he sent out information to the Board regarding this review which is a two year process. They will review every policy, update as needed, provide the district with a template and give guidance throughout the process. Mr. Hale has volunteered to be part of the process. The Superintendent stated that the last time that this was done was approximately 5-6 years ago and he added that he felt it was time to go through the process again. The board asked for clarification of the cost which the Superintendent was \$8200. The Board was in agreement with the Superintendent signing to begin the process.

Mr. Hornberger asked the Board if there was any additional old business. Mr. Barnett stated that he wanted to add that the Marching Band was in Syracuse the weekend of October 27-28 and was originally scheduled to return on October 29, the day of the storm. Mr. Barnett stated that staff did a good job with communication and the students got home safely on October 28th. He stated that arrangements were made for the band to perform earlier and get on the road Sunday evening. The Superintendent also thanked Katie Sheehan for updating the website with the information.

H. New Business

RESOLUTION #28- 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 Mineola Teachers Association, dated October 26, 2012; 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: Terence Hale

Second: Christine Napolitano

Discussion: The Superintendent did a presentation of the major points of the settlement (the presentation can be found on the district website on the Board of Education page). He stated that this is the first of five contracts to be settled. The last MTA contract expired 8/30/11 and an impasse was declared on 10/19/12. Both sides agreed upon a mediator and met for a total of 10 sessions. Dr. Nagler stated that the levy cap changed "traditional oppositional bargaining". The Superintendent highlighted the major issues:

-Tri-Borough Amendment Law - the previous contract remains in effect until a new agreement is negotiated
-APPR

-Levy cap 2% is all inclusive (salary, pension, health- total money)

The Superintendent stated that this negotiation was clearly about "total money". The term total money includes: 3 types of increases (step, percent on schedule, and column movement) and parameters. The settlement totals 4.75% for 4 years and 3.25% for health and pension. It includes the deferring of steps which save the district 1/2 a years money. The settlement also addressed other money items: clubs and standard leave pay. It also addresses job security and the excessing language. The Superintendent stated that contract now includes language for the Pre-K program which creates a separate salary scale for Pre-K teachers. In the area of Professional development, meetings (faculty, department and compensated) have been consolidated into 24-50 minute professional development meetings. Language has been added for child care leaves. The Superintendent addressed other language items within the settlement. First, there will be no make-up days for snow beyond the state mandate of 180 days. Next, there will be an hourly summer school rate instead of a stipend. The settlement also looks at APPR; it was settled in time to receive points for the grant application. For APPR, observations will occur twice per year for all teachers and there will be student learning objectives.

Mr. Hornberger opened the floor to public comments specific to the settlement. Two individuals asked for clarification of specific points in the presentation. There were no additional comments. Mr. Hale stated that this has been a very long process and he is pleased with the results. Mr. Barnett stated that this has been a long road and he is happy with the settlement. The Superintendent stated that the teachers understood that they needed to make some concessions. The language contained in the settlement helps to plan for the future. The Superintendent also acknowledged the work of the lawyers in this process. Ms. Napolitano stated that negotiations were a very complicated process and she is very appreciative of everyone's hard work. Ms. Parrino stated that the settlement reflects compromise on both sides. Mr. Hornberger stated that this settlement is economically a good deal for the district. He thanked Dr. Nagler, Mr. Waters, the lawyers, the Board and the MTA for their willingness to compromise. Mr. Hornberger stated that both sides got something in this settlement.

The Board then voted on Resolution #28.

Yes: Christine Napolitano
Arthur Barnett

No: None

Irene Parrino
Terence Hale
William Hornberger

Passed: Yes

New Business (continued)

RESOLUTION #29- BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Mineola Union Free School District approves the award of Contract "G" for General Construction- General Construction, Site, Heating, Ventilation, Air Conditioning, Plumbing, Electrical and Fire Alarm Work, for the Meadow Drive Project (SED control # 28-04-10-03-0-001-011) bid opened October 24, 2012 to the lowest responsible bidder meeting specifications, J. Cole Construction, Inc., for a total contract price of \$881,500.00 plus Alternate Nos. G2 through G6, \$57,500.00, totaling \$939,000.00.

Motion: Christine Napolitano

Second: Arthur Barnett

Discussion: The Superintendent stated that on October 4th, the first set of bids were rejected. The project was re-bid, after changes were made to the original plan and the price came in within budget. J.Cole is a local company and has been chosen to complete the Meadow Drive project. Mr. Hornberger asked if there was any further discussion and Ms. Parrino asked that there be clarification of the company's legal name. The Superintendent stated that it would be done. No additional discussion.

Yes: Christine Napolitano
Arthur Barnett
Irene Parrino
Terence Hale
William Hornberger

No: None

Passed: Yes

Mr. Hornberger asked if there was any other New Business. Mr. Hale stated that he just wanted to mention that on November 11th, the Board and the Superintendent attended an event at the Portuguese Society at which they were honored for their support of the community. Mr. Hale stated that he wished to thank Cena Palumbo and Elsa Coelho. Mr. Hale stated that the event was a lot of fun and enjoyed by all.

I. Consensus Agenda

RESOLUTION # 30-BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the consensus agenda items I.1.a. through I.7.b., as presented.

Motion: Terence Hale
Second: Christine Napolitano

Discussion: Mr. Hornberger asked if there are any items for discussion. Mr. Hale asked for clarification about an item in JoAnn Greene's report, specifically, 22 plumbing invoices totaling over \$6,200. Mr. Waters stated that the invoices have now all been itemized and ready for Ms. Greene to come in to review and approve.

Ms. Parrino inquired if item 2c appointments of permanent subs represent the last of the hiring. The Superintendent stated yes and no; the status of the hiring will be affected by the various maternity leaves and how they are filled. If a permanent sub is used to fill the leave then it may be necessary to hire another permanent sub. Ms. Parrino also asked the Superintendent for information regarding items 4. a and b, Evisions contract. The Superintendent stated that this contract is with the company that will develop the educational cube for the district. He detailed the service that will be provided by Evisions; they will be pulling information from different data bases and organizing it to the district specifications. He noted that there are two pieces to the agreement; one for the design and the other for maintenance. The Superintendent will be doing a demonstration of the cube for the Board once it is up and running.

There was no further discussion.

Yes: Christine Napolitano
Arthur Barnett
Irene Parrino
Terence Hale
William Hornberger

No: None

Passed: Yes

1. **Accepting of Minutes**
 - a. That the Board of Education accepts the minutes of September 20, 2012 Business Meeting and the October 4, 2012 Workshop Meeting as presented.
2. **Instruction**
 - a. **Leave(s) of Absence/Child Rearing**
 1. That the Board of Education grants a request to Jennifer Capella, for a Leave of Absence, for child-rearing purposes, using accumulated sick days, starting approximately February 24, 2013.
 2. That the Board of Education grants a request to Cheryl Lippert, for a Leave of Absence, for child-rearing purposes, using accumulated sick days, starting approximately February 4, 2013.
 3. That the Board of Education grants a request to Elizabeth Goldman, for a Leave of Absence, for child-rearing purposes, using accumulated sick days, starting approximately January 29, 2013.

4. That the Board of Education grants a request to Kimberly Martino, for a Leave of Absence, for child-rearing purposes, using accumulated sick days, starting approximately January 29, 2013.

b. 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.:

| | <u>EMPLOYEE NAME</u> | <u>EMPLOYEE CERTIFICATION</u> |
|----|----------------------|--|
| 1. | Meghan Bulva | Childhood Education (1-6), SWD (1-6) |
| 2. | Kaitlin M. Smith | English 7-12, English 5-6 |
| 3. | Daniel P. Mineo | Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), SWD(1-6) |
| 4. | Laurie M. Sage | Nursery/K/Grades 1-6 |
| 5. | Robert J. DiBella | Social Studies 7-12 |

c. Appointment(S) Perm Sub

- The Board of Education approves the appointment of Meghan Bulva, to the position of Permanent Substitute Teacher, at Mineola Middle School. Salary: \$100.00 per day
- The Board of Education approves the appointment of Kaitlin Smith, to the position of Permanent Substitute Teacher, at Mineola Middle School, effective October 22, 2012 to May 31, 2013. Salary: \$100.00 per day
- The Board of Education approves the appointment of Susan M. Kingsepp, to the position of Permanent Substitute Teacher, at Mineola Middle School. Salary: \$100.00 per day
- The Board of Education approves the appointment of Catherine M. Clancy, to the position of Permanent Substitute Teacher, at Mineola Middle School, effective October 1, 2012 to May 31, 2013. Salary: \$100.00 per day.
- The Board of Education approves the appointment of Laura M. Doherty, to the position of .7 Permanent Substitute Teacher, at Mineola Middle School, effective October 1, 2012 to May 3, 2013. Salary: \$70 per day
- The Board of Education approves the appointment of Maria S. Santangelo, to the position of .6 Permanent Substitute Teacher, at Mineola Middle School, effective October 1, 2012 to May 31, 2013. Salary: \$60 per day
- The Board of Education approves the appointment of Megan Nelsen, to the position of .4 Permanent Substitute Teacher, at Mineola High School, effective October 1, 2012 to May 31, 2013. Salary: \$40 per day
- The Board of Education approves the appointment of John E. Fretz, to the position of .4 Permanent Substitute Teacher, at Mineola High School, effective October 1, 2012 to May 31, 2013. Salary: \$40 per day.

d. Appointment(s) Winter Interscholastic Coaches

That the Board of Education approves the appointment of the following coaches for the Winter Interscholastic Season for 2011-2012 year:

| <u>POSITION</u> | <u>EMPLOYEE NAME</u> | <u>STEP</u> | <u>STIPEND</u> |
|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Boys Varsity Basketball | James P. Hegmann | 3 | \$9,128.00 |
| Boys JV Basketball | Dominick J. Tolipano | 3 | \$6,251.00 |
| 7th Grade Boys Basketball | William G. Digennaro | 3 | \$5,347.00 |
| 8th Grade Boys Basketball | Martin F. Joyce | 3 | \$5,347.00 |
| Girls Varsity Basketball | Denise E. Zunno | 3 | \$9,128.00 |
| Girls JV Basketball | Caitlin T. Orlando | 2 | \$5,405.00 |
| Boys Varsity/JV Bowling | Helmut Bohringer | 3 | \$4,389.00 |
| Girls Varsity/JV Bowling | Mark Miller | 2 | \$3,896.00 |

| <u>POSITION</u> | <u>EMPLOYEE NAME</u> | <u>STEP</u> | <u>STIPEND</u> |
|----------------------------|----------------------|-------------|----------------|
| Varsity Wrestling | Daniel Guido | 3 | \$8,784.00 |
| JV Wrestling | Frank J. Massaro | 3 | \$6,251.00 |
| Varsity Wrestling Asst | Joseph P. Cerulli | 2 | \$5,283.00 |
| 7/8 Wrestling | Michael Palumbo | 3 | \$5,741.00 |
| 7/8 Wrestling Asst | Gary L. Santosus | 3 | \$5,336.00 |
| Girls 8th Grade Volleyball | Hyunah Park | 3 | \$4,740.00 |
| Girls Winter Track | Thomas J. Leninger | 3 | \$7,770.00 |
| Boys Winter Track | John E. Fretz | 2 | \$6,919.00 |
| Winter Track Assistant | Thomas M. McGuire | 2 | \$4,704.00 |
| Girls 7th Grade Basketball | William G. Digennaro | 3 | \$5,347.00 |
| Girls 7th Grade Volleyball | Hilary Pavels | 2 | \$4,228.00 |

e. Facilitators

That the Board of Education approves the appointment of the following staff for the 2012-2013 APPR Facilitators:

| <u>SCHOOL</u> | <u>EMPLOYEE NAME</u> | <u>STIPEND</u> |
|---------------|----------------------|----------------|
| Meadow | Bruce M. Vatske | \$1,000.00 |
| Hampton | Denise M. Maynard | \$1,000.00 |
| Jackson | Lucia N. Barberio | \$1,000.00 |
| Middle | Matthew Deluca | \$1,000.00 |
| High School | Suzanne Sabatini | \$1,000.00 |
| High School | Frank J. Massaro | \$1,000.00 |

f. Appointment(S) Marching Band Staff

That the Board of Education approves the following staff members for the Marching Band trip:

| | <u>POSITION</u> | <u>EMPLOYEE NAME</u> |
|-----|--------------------------|--------------------------|
| 1. | Staff Marching Band Trip | Frank N. Mauriello |
| 2. | Staff Marching Band Trip | Anthony J. Demarino |
| 3. | Staff Marching Band Trip | Lauren M. Granath |
| 4. | Staff Marching Band Trip | Lisa D. Granath |
| 5. | Staff Marching Band Trip | Christopher J. Bonacorsa |
| 6. | Staff Marching Band Trip | Simon(Ira) Jenkins |
| 7. | Staff Marching Band Trip | Christopher Rossi |
| 8. | Staff Marching Band Trip | Timothy M. Doran |
| 9. | Staff Marching Band Trip | Kenneth M. Frank |
| 10. | Staff Marching Band Trip | Erin Citrano |
| 11. | Staff Marching Band Trip | Amanda Alves |
| 12. | Staff Marching Band Trip | Michael R. Coppola |

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

That the Board of Education approves the CSE/CPSE/SCSE recommendations for programs and services for students with IEPs for the time period from 7/1/12- 8/31/12. 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 Software License Agreement between Evisions, Inc and the Mineola Union Free School District for the 2012-2013 school year at a cost of \$30,000.

b. That the Board of Education approves the Software Maintenance and Support Agreement between Evisions, Inc and the Mineola Union Free School District for the 2012-2013 school year at a cost of \$8,500.

c. That the Board of Education accepts the interpreter service agreement and attached rider between Mill Neck and the Mineola UFSD for the 2012- 2013 school year.

d. That the Board of Education accepts the Special Education Services Agreement, for a parentally placed student, between the Westbury UFSD and the Mineola UFSD for the 2012- 2013 school year.

5. **Instruction: Other**

a. That the Board of Education approves the following rate of pay for 45 Day Substitute Teachers:

| | |
|-------------|---------------|
| Days 1- 20 | \$100 per day |
| Days 21- 39 | \$110 per day |
| Days 40- 45 | \$120 per day |
| Day 46 | on contract |

6. **Civil Service**

a. **Resignation(s)**

1. That the Board of Education accepts with regret, the resignation of Michele Sciroppo, Bus Attendant for Transportation, for the purpose of retirement, effective December 21, 2012.

7. **Business /Finance**

a. **Treasurer's Report**

That the Board of Education accepts the Treasurer's report for the period ending September 30, 2012 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 October 31, 2012

| | | |
|------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Warrant #7 | October 10, 2012 | \$ 1,445,075.63 |
| Warrant #8 | November 5, 2012 | \$ 458,891.79 |

TOTAL EXPENSES \$ 1,903,967.42

PAYROLL # 7 & # 8

| | |
|---------|----------------|
| General | \$4,069,572.86 |
| F Fund | \$ 49,522.40 |

TOTAL PAYROLL \$4,119,095.26

J. Public Comments

Mr. Hornberger opened the floor for public comments. A resident/parent had a few comments regarding the communication during the storms and also raised a few concerns. The Superintendent responded to each issue raised.

K. Board of Education Reports

Comments from Board President

Superintendent of Schools' Reports for 11/15/12

Presentations:

1. MTA Contract Settlement Presentation
2. Reflections Post- Sandy
3. TRS increases and impact on the Budget

Earlier in the evening, the Superintendent presented on the MTA Contract Settlement and some of his Post Sandy reflections. He stated that he would now discuss the next piece of the post- Sandy discussion which is the school calendar (a copy of the new calendar can be found on the District website). The Superintendent stated that between Sandy and the snow storm, students missed 6 days of school. In Mineola, we have 182 instructional days and the state requires 180 days. The Superintendent stated that there is a remote chance that the State could grant a waiver however, they will most likely require districts to use up vacation days first. The Superintendent stated that he is recommending the following: 5/24 will now be a school day, the February break will be shortened and student will now attend classes on 2/21 and 2/22, and the following days will be designated snow make-up days as needed: 2/19, 2/20 and 3/25. Presently, the Marching Band is scheduled to go to Disney over the February break and it will be determined whether the trip will need to be cancelled or shortened. The Superintendent stated that the changes to the February break may be a hardship for those who have already booked their trips, but he feel it is the prudent thing to do to make these decisions now.

Mr. Hornberger asked the Board if they were ready to give the Superintendent approval of the new modified school calendar. The Board approves sending out the new calendar. Mr. Hornberger allowed the Public to make comments and a few individuals present did voice their concerns and disappointment.

The final presentation this evening is "Projected TRS Cost 2013-14" by Jack Waters, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations. (The presentation can be found on the District website on the BOE page). Mr. Waters stated that the estimated Employee Cost Rate (ECR) % increase from 2012/13 to 2013/14 is 4.16%. He stated that the first 2% increase in the ECR must be included in the Levy Cap Calculation. Any incremental increase over the 2% is not included (exempt) from the Levy Cap Calculation. This means the District will be permitted to exceed the 2% Levy Cap, if it chooses, by the \$ increase over the 2%. Mr. Waters stated that this means the District will be permitted under Tax Cap Law to go out with a Tax Levy increase of 3.05% for 2013-2014 (Cap 2.00% + TRS Exemption of 1.05%). Mr. Waters stated that number is astronomical and it is not expected to get better; he added that we are currently awaiting the health cost numbers.

Superintendent Comments

The Superintendent stated that he had a few items to mention. He stated that students will be given (8) Unit Assessments over the course of the year and this represents a radical change from the past. At the next Board meeting on 12/6, the Superintendent stated that he would be discussing the number of polling place the District uses for the annual election and he will be recommending a reduction in the number from 4 to 2. Dr. Nagler added that also at the 12/6 meeting, he will be presenting on the AGP program and the entrance

requirements. The Superintendent also mentioned the event on 11/17 at the Portuguese Society, where he and the Board were honored for their support. The Portuguese Society signed a lease with the district and the Portuguese School is being held at the Jackson Avenue School. This has made the Portuguese School more affordable for parents and as a result there has been an increase in the # attending the program. He stated that it was an enjoyable event. Dr. Nagler stated that he was also honored by the Korean Parent Society in October as Educator of the Year. The Superintendent will be attending a conference in Rochester and will be making a presentation on Monday regarding E-Spark and the IPAD program in the Middle School. Dr. Nagler stated that he wanted to thank Mr. Gaven for completing the application for the Apple Distinguished Program Award. It was a very involved process and he was required to create an I-Book. The Superintendent stated that it will be made available to the public once it is published and we are hopeful that the District will win. Finally, the Superintendent stated that he is not in need of an executive session. He wished everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving.

L. Executive Session Time: _____ p.m.

There was no executive session this evening.

Motion: _____

Second: _____

Yes: _____

No: _____

Passed: _____

M. Adjournment Time: 9:40 p.m.

Motion: Christine Napolitano

Second: Irene Parrino

Yes: Christine Napolitano

Arthur Barnett

Irene Parrino

Terence Hale

William Hornberger

No: None

Passed: Yes

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrea M. Paggi