

MINUTES
June 1, 2023

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: Thursday, June 1, 2023

Synergy Building - 7:00 p.m.

Board of Education

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne, President
Patrick Talty, Vice President
Cheryl Lampasona, Trustee
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

Approved by
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Mineola UFSD
Board of Education

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A. Call to Order - 7:00 p.m.

B. Pledge of Allegiance

C. Reading of Mission

D. Moment of Silent Meditation

E. Dais & Visitor Introductions

F.

G. BOE Reports

1. Comments from Board Trustees - Stacey DeCillis, Brian Widman, Cheryl Lampasona, Patrick Talty
2. Comments from Board President - Dr. Margaret Ballantyne
3. Comments from Superintendent - Dr. Michael Nagler

H. Old Business

I. New Business

RESOLUTION #74 - Appointment of District Clerk

WHEREAS, the District Clerk is unavoidably and temporarily absent;

BE IT RESOVED that the Board of Education of the Mineola UFSD appoints Michael P. Nagler, Ed.D., to assume the duties of District Clerk pro tempore for the meeting of June 1, 2023.

Motion: Patrick Talty

Second: Brian Widman

Yes:

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne

Patrick Talty

Brian Widman

Cheryl Lampasona

Stacey DeCillis

No:

Passed: Yes

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BOARD RESOLUTION #75 - SEQRA Resolution Transportation Roof Replacement

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Mineola Union Free School District desires to embark upon a roof replacement project at the Mineola Bus Garage, to be funded by capital budget;

WHEREAS, the proposed capital improvement project at Bus Garage, is subject to classification under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA); and

WHEREAS, in Section 617.5 (a), the SEQRA Regulations define Type II Actions to be actions that have no significant impact on the environment and require no further review under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site, including upgrading buildings to meet building or fire codes, unless such action meets or exceeds any of the thresholds in section 617.4 of this part, are classified as Type II Actions under the current Department of Environmental Conservation SEQRA Regulations (Section 6 NYCRR 617.5 (c) (2)); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education, as the only involved agency, has examined all information related to the capital improvement project and has determined that the capital improvement project for renovations and improvements to the Bus Garage is classified as a Type II Action pursuant to Section 617.5 (c) (2) of the SEQRA Regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby declares itself lead agency in connection with the requirements of the State Environmental Quality Review Act; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby declares that the Proposed project is Type II Action, which requires no further review under SEQRA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby shall forward an official copy of this Resolution to the New York State Education Department together with a copy of the correspondence from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation in connection with its request for approval of the listed projects from the New York State Education Department.

Motion: Patrick Talty

Second: Cheryl Lampasona

Yes:

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne

Patrick Talty

Brian Widman

Cheryl Lampasona

Stacey DeCillis

No:

Passed: Yes

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BOARD RESOLUTION #76 - SEQRA Resolution Hampton Roof Replacement

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Mineola Union Free School District desires to embark upon a roof replacement project at the Hampton Street School, to be funded by capital budget;

WHEREAS, the proposed capital improvement project at Hampton Street School, is subject to classification under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA); and

WHEREAS, in Section 617.5 (a), the SEQRA Regulations define Type II Actions to be actions that have no significant impact on the environment and require no further review under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site, including upgrading buildings to meet building or fire codes, unless such action meets or exceeds any of the thresholds in section 617.4 of this part, are classified as Type II Actions under the current Department of Environmental Conservation SEQRA Regulations (Section 6 NYCRR 617.5 (c) (2)); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education, as the only involved agency, has examined all information related to the capital improvement project and has determined that the capital improvement project for renovations and improvements to the Hampton Street School is classified as a Type II Action pursuant to Section 617.5 (c) (2) of the SEQRA Regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby declares itself lead agency in connection with the requirements of the State Environmental Quality Review Act; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby declares that the Proposed project is Type II Action, which requires no further review under SEQRA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby shall forward an official copy of this Resolution to the New York State Education Department together with a copy of the correspondence from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation in connection with its request for approval of the listed projects from the New York State Education Department.

Motion: Stacey DeCillis

Second: Brian Widman

Yes:

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne

Patrick Talty

Brian Widman

Cheryl Lampasona

Stacey DeCillis

No:

Passed: Yes

BOARD RESOLUTION #77 - SEQRA Resolution High School Roof Replacement

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Mineola Union Free School District desires to embark upon a roof replacement project at the Mineola High School, to be funded by capital budget;

WHEREAS, the proposed capital improvement project at Mineola High School, is subject to classification under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA); and

WHEREAS, in Section 617.5 (a), the SEQRA Regulations define Type II Actions to be actions that have no significant impact on the environment and require no further review under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site, including upgrading buildings to meet building or fire codes, unless such action meets or exceeds any of the thresholds in section 617.4 of this part, are classified as Type II Actions under the current Department of Environmental Conservation SEQRA Regulations (Section 6 NYCRR 617.5 (c) (2)); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education, as the only involved agency, has examined all information related to the capital improvement project and has determined that the capital improvement project for renovations and improvements to the Mineola High School is classified as a Type II Action pursuant to Section 617.5 (c) (2) of the SEQRA Regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby declares itself lead agency in connection with the requirements of the State Environmental Quality Review Act; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby declares that the Proposed project is Type II Action, which requires no further review under SEQRA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby shall forward an official copy of this Resolution to the New York State Education Department together with a copy of the correspondence from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation in connection with its request for approval of the listed projects from the New York State Education Department.

Motion: Cheryl Lampasona

Second: Brian Widman

Yes:

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne

Patrick Talty

Brian Widman

Cheryl Lampasona

Stacey DeCillis

No:

Passed: Yes

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BOARD RESOLUTION # 78 - SEQRA Resolution Middle School Fire Alarm System Upgrade

WHEREAS, the Board of Education of the Mineola Union Free School District desires to embark upon a Fire Alarm system upgrade project at Mineola Middle School, to be funded by capital budget;

WHEREAS, the proposed capital improvement project at Mineola Middle School, is subject to classification under the State Environmental Quality Review Act (SEQRA); and

WHEREAS, in Section 617.5 (a), the SEQRA Regulations define Type II Actions to be actions that have no significant impact on the environment and require no further review under SEQRA; and

WHEREAS, replacement, rehabilitation or reconstruction of a structure or facility, in kind, on the same site, including upgrading buildings to meet building or fire codes, unless such action meets or exceeds any of the thresholds in section 617.4 of this part, are classified as Type II Actions under the current Department of Environmental Conservation SEQRA Regulations (Section 6 NYCRR 617.5 (c) (2)); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Education, as the only involved agency, has examined all information related to the capital improvement project and has determined that the capital improvement project for renovations and improvements to Mineola Middle School is classified as a Type II Action pursuant to Section 617.5 (c) (2) of the SEQRA Regulations;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby declares itself lead agency in connection with the requirements of the State Environmental Quality Review Act; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby declares that the Proposed project is Type II Action, which requires no further review under SEQRA; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby shall forward an official copy of this Resolution to the New York State Education Department together with a copy of the correspondence from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation in connection with its request for approval of the listed projects from the New York State Education Department.

Motion: Patrick Talty

Second: Cheryl Lampasona

Yes:

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne

Patrick Talty

Brian Widman

Cheryl Lampasona

Stacey DeCillis

No:

Passed: Yes

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RESOLUTION # 79 - TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE RESOLUTION OF MINEOLA UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK, ADOPTED JUNE 1, 2023, AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF NOT TO EXCEED \$6,000,000 TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES IN ANTICIPATION OF THE RECEIPT OF TAXES TO BE LEVIED FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2024

RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF MINEOLA UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT, IN THE COUNTY OF NASSAU, NEW YORK, AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Tax Anticipation Notes (herein called "Notes") of Mineola Union Free School District, in the County of Nassau, New York (herein called "District"), in the principal amount of not to exceed \$6,000,000, and any notes in renewal thereof, are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to the provisions of Sections 24.00 and 39.00 of the Local Finance Law, constituting Chapter 33-a of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (herein called "Law").

Section 2. The following additional matters are hereby determined and declared:

(a) The Notes shall be issued in anticipation of the collection of real estate taxes to be levied for school purposes for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 2023 and ending June 30, 2024, and the proceeds of the Notes shall be used only for the purposes for which said taxes are levied.

(b) The Notes shall mature within the period of one year from the date of their issuance.

(c) The Notes are not issued in renewal of other notes.

(d) The total amount of such taxes remains uncollected at the date of adoption of this resolution.

Section 3. The Notes hereby authorized shall contain the recital of validity prescribed by Section 52.00 of the Law and shall be general obligations of the District, and the faith and credit of the District are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on the Notes and unless the Notes are otherwise paid or payment provided for, an amount sufficient for such payment shall be inserted in the budget of the District and a tax sufficient to provide for the payment thereof shall be levied and collected.

Section 4. Subject to the provisions of this resolution and the Law, and pursuant to Sections 50.00, 56.00, 60.00 and 61.00 of the Law, the power to sell and issue the Notes authorized pursuant hereto, or any renewals thereof, and to determine the terms, form and contents, including the manner of execution, of such Notes, and to execute tax certifications relative thereto, is hereby delegated to the President of the Board of Education, the chief fiscal officer of the District.

Section 5. The Notes shall be executed in the name of the District by the manual signature of the President of the Board of Education, the Vice President of the Board of Education, the District Treasurer, the District Clerk, or such other officer of the District as shall be designated by the chief fiscal officer of the District, and shall have the corporate seal of the District impressed or imprinted thereon which corporate seal may be attested by the manual signature of the District Clerk.

Section 6. This resolution shall take effect immediately.

Motion: Brian Widman

Second: Patrick Talty

Yes:

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne

Patrick Talty

Brian Widman

Cheryl Lampasona

Stacey DeCillis

No:

Passed: Yes

Walk-On Agenda Item

I. NEW BUSINESS RESOLUTION #81

Be it resolved that the Board of Education of the Mineola Union Free School District approves the award of the Middle School Gymnasium Addition Foundation work to Laser Industries, Inc., based on the recommendation from H2M Architects & Engineers. The amount of the award is \$1,290,000.00

Motion: Patrick Talty

Second: Cheryl Lampasona

Yes:

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne

Patrick Talty

Brian Widman

Cheryl Lampasona

Stacey DeCillis

No:

Passed: Yes

J. CONSENSUS AGENDA

RESOLUTION #80 - BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education approves the consensus agenda items J.1.a. through J.4.c.2., as presented.

Motion: Cheryl Lampasona

Second: Patrick Talty

Yes:

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne

Patrick Talty

Brian Widman

Cheryl Lampasona

Stacey DeCillis

No:

Passed: Yes

1. Accepting of Minutes

- a. That the Board of Education accepts the minutes of the May 16, 2023 Business Meeting, and the May 16, 2023 Special Meeting Minutes, as presented.

2. Instruction

a. Resignations

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1. That the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Cassandra Cruz, Part Time Teacher for the District, effective June 30, 2023.

b. **Leave of Absence - FMLA/Child-Rearing**

1. That the Board of Education grants a request to Nayeli Calle, for FMLA, starting September 1, 2023.
2. That the Board of Education grants a request to Mary Owens, for an unpaid Leave of Absence, for child-rearing purposes, for the 2023-2024 school year.

c. **Appointments**

1. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Victoria A. Badalucco, to the position of Leave Replacement Math Teacher for Jillian Edwards, effective September 1, 2023 to June 30, 2024 with a salary MA, Step 2, 78,880.
2. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Jenny Bravo, to the position of Probationary Math Teacher, effective September 1, 2023 with a salary of MA+20, Step 2, \$82,187 and a Probationary Period from September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2026.
3. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Kristen M. Nicolai, to the position of Probationary Math Teacher, effective September 1, 2023 with a salary of BA, Step 2, \$68,151 and a Probationary Period from September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2026.
4. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Demetra Kouspos, to the position of Probationary Science Teacher, effective September 1, 2023 with a salary of MA, Step 1, \$75,687 and a Probationary Period from September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2027.
5. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Monica E. Sanchez, to the position of Probationary Elementary Teacher, effective September 1, 2023 with a salary of MA, Step 1 \$75,687 and a Probationary Period from September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2027.
6. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Christopher N. Amato, to the position of Probationary English Teacher, effective September 1, 2023 with a salary on BA Step 1 of \$65,374 and a Probationary Period from September 1, 2023-August 31, 2027.
7. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Teresa L. Dawber, to the position of Summer School Teacher, effective July 1, 2023 with a salary of \$63.08 per hour.
8. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Iris Luna, to the position of Probationary Elementary Bilingual Teacher, effective September 1, 2023 with a salary of BA+15, Step 1 \$68168 and a Probationary Period from September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.

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9. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of John Rivera, to the position of Probationary Elementary Teacher, effective September 1, 2023 with a salary of MA Step 1 \$75,687 and a Probationary Period from September 1, 2023 through August 31, 2027.
10. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Dapheny Taveras, to the position of Probationary Elementary teacher, effective September 1, 2023 with a salary of MA, Step 2, \$78,880 and a Probationary Period from September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2026.
11. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Alejandra Fuentes, to the position of Probationary Elementary teacher, effective September 1, 2023 with a salary of MA, Step 2, \$78,880 and a Probationary Period from September 1, 2023 to August 31, 2026.
12. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Annette V. Kent, to the position of Leave Replacement Speech Teacher for Michelle Brassil, effective September 1, 2023 with a salary of BA, Step 1, \$65,374.

d. **Per Diem Sub Appointments**

That the Board of Education approves the following individual(s) as Per Diem Substitute Teacher(s) for the current school year, at a daily rate of \$130.

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Certification</u>	<u>Effective Date</u>
1.	Grace K. Interrante	Childhood Ed (1-6)	05/22/2023
2.	Linda A. Strzelecki	Music	06/01/2023
3.	Colin Renner	Physical Ed	05/30/2023

e. **Tenure Appointment(s)**

That the Board of Education approve the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools to appoint the following Teachers and/or Administrators to tenure:

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Tenure Area</u>	<u>Eff. Date</u>	<u>School</u>
1.	Adrianna I. Guidetti	Technology Education	09/01/2023	Middle School
2.	Nikole Hazel	Elementary	09/01/2023	Meadow Drive
3.	Jacqueline R. Jahelka	Elementary	09/01/2023	Jackson Ave.
4.	Janine Lapertosa	Art	09/01/2023	High School
5.	Nicole Lebowitz	School Counselor	09/01/2023	High School
6.	Marleny R. Reyes	Social Studies	09/01/2023	Middle School
7.	Daniela Rodriguez	Elementary	09/01/2023	Jackson Ave
8.	Olivia M. Sais	Elementary	09/01/2023	Jackson Ave
9.	Christina M. Giannone	Elementary	09/01/2023	Meadow Dr
10.	Zachary R. St. John	Music	09/01/2023	Middle School
11.	Joanna G. Iacono	School Counselor	09/01/2023	Middle School

f. **Instruction: Student Actions**

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

1. Marching Band to Disney World, February 20-23, 2024

3. **CIVIL SERVICE**

a. **Resignation(s)**

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1. That the Board of Education accepts the resignation of Kiran Chilhan, Teacher Aide at Jackson Ave, effective April, 28, 2023.

b. **Appointment(s)**

1. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Mary Desiderio, to the position of Part Time Typist Clerk for Pupil Personnel Services, retroactive to May 22, 2023 with a salary on Step 1 of \$22.11/hr.
2. That the Board of Education approves the appointment of Yadira Lema Farez, to the position of Cleaner for the District, effective retroactive to May 22, 2023 with a salary on Step 1 of \$46,000.00.

c. **Retirement(s)**

1. That the Board of Education accepts, with regret, the resignation of Linda Spagnola, Secretary to the Superintendent and District Clerk for the purpose of retirement, effective July 1, 2023.
2. That the Board of Education accepts, with regret, the resignation of Rhonda Kaletsky Bus Aide for the purpose of retirement, effective August 11, 2023.

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

1. That the Board of Education grants a request to Sandra Touze, Part Time Bus Attendant for Transportation, for an unpaid Medical Leave of Absence, effective 5/20/23. She will return when cleared by her Doctor.

e. **Civil Service Summer High School Appointment(s)**

That the Board of Education approves the following summer workers for the high school for the 2022-2023 school year:

	<u>POSITION</u>	<u>EMPLOYEE NAME</u>	<u>SALARY</u>
1.	Senior Typist Clerk	Patricia Derosa	\$47.45/hr pursuant to the 2022-2026 Clerical Contract

4. **BUSINESS / FINANCE**

a. **Internal Claims Audit Report**

1. That the Board of Education approves the Internal Claims Audit Reports for April 1, 2023 through April 30, 2023.

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

1. That the Board of Education approves the Consultant Services Agreement between Concetta Russo Ed.D. and the Mineola UFSD for the 2022-2023 school year.
2. That the Board of Education approves the Services Agreement between Mary Karkin, Au.D., CCC/A, d/b/a/ Garden City Audiology and the Mineola UFSD for the 2022-2023 school year.

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3. That the Board of Education approves Health contract between the following district and the Mineola UFSD, whereby said district provide health and welfare services for the 2022-2023 school year.
 - Manhasset Public Schools

c. **Business/Finance - Bids**

1. That the Board of Education approves the award of the Irrigation Installation & Service bid for the Nassau County Directors of School Facilities Purchasing Consortium 2023-2004 school year to Byrne & Son Irrigation, Inc., the lowest responsible bidder meeting all specifications.
2. That the Board of Education approves the award of the Suspended Ceiling bid for the Nassau County Directors of School Facilities Purchasing Consortium 2023-2004 school year to Hilume Corporation, the lowest responsible bidder meeting all specifications.

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K. Superintendent's Report

Superintendent of Schools' Reports

Presentations:

1. Teacher Tenure Recognition

Superintendent Comments

L. Executive Session Time: 9:00 p.m.

Motion: Cheryl Lampasona

Second: Patrick Talty

Yes:

Dr. Margaret Ballantyne

Patrick Talty

Brian Widman

Cheryl Lampasona

Stacey DeCillis

No:

Passed: Yes

N. Adjournment Time: _____ p.m.

Motion: _____

Second: _____

Yes:

No:

Passed: _____

Respectfully Submitted,
Linda M. Spagnola
District Clerk