

Work Session/Business Meeting Minutes – November 1, 2007

BOARD OF EDUCATION: Tina Mackay, President PRESENT  
Guy Cohen, Vice President  
Trustees Mary Maus, Frank Reale and Marie Zarcone

ADMINISTRATORS: Dr. Marc Space, Superintendent of Schools  
Dr. Barbara Fuchs, Assistant Superintendent for  
Curriculum and Instruction  
Paul Lee, Assistant Superintendent for Business  
and Finance  
Nick Bellantoni, Director of Operations

OTHERS: Mr. Domenick Consolo, representative from Bennett, Kielson,  
Storch DeSantis, LLP; Representatives from KG&D Architects,  
P.V.F.T. President Gerry Carlin, Ms. Krystal Miranda and  
Ms. Hannah Schmidt, Student Representatives to the Board of  
Education, Reporter from Putnam County News and Recorder and  
the North County News, staff from the Putnam Valley School  
District and community members

Ms. Mackay convened the Work Session at 7:06 p.m. and asked the CONVENE  
community to join her in the Pledge of Allegiance. MEETING

**ANNOUNCEMENTS OF GENERAL INTEREST**

Mr. Gerry Micera, High School Chorus teacher and members of the mixed chorus presented educational benefits and the financial plans on their upcoming trip to Washington, D.C. in the spring of 2008. The Board gave unanimous verbal approval.

Mr. Edward Hallisey, Middle School Principal, recognized students who attended the IBM E.X.I.T.E. Camp (Exploring Interests In Technology and Engineering) this past summer. The students summarized the program for the Board. Participants were Stephanie Pasquale, Brittini Campanini, Meghan Malone, Jen Merna, Kim Schneider, Jen Whittaker and Liana Wright-Mark.

Ms. Mackay thanked IBM and the mentors for their enhancement of the educational opportunities for our students. The community was asked to check with their employers to see if there were similar programs or matching grant programs.

Mr. Domenick Consolo, representing Bennett, Kielson, Storch DeSantis, reviewed the findings of the 2007 external audit. A copy of the audit report is attached.

Ms. Pam Darreff, Chairperson of the Health Advisory Committee, summarized the committee's accomplishments for 2006-07 and presented the 2007-08 goals.

Ms. Krystal Miranda and Ms. Hannah Schmidt reported on activities in the school buildings.

Mr. Paul Lee, Assistant Superintendent for Business and Finance, presented an update of enrollment projections.

Mr. Russ Davidson, KG&D Architects, summarized the status of the Elementary School project. The State Education approval is expected by mid-November with the start of construction in March 2008 and completion in December 2008.

### **PUBLIC CONTRIBUTION PERIOD**

Ms. Mackay asked for public contribution. There was no public contribution.

Ms. Mackay announced that a Business Meeting would be convened for the purpose of moving into Executive Session to discuss a contractual matter and that there would be no other business conducted upon the Board's return.

#### CONVENE BUSINESS MEETING

Ms. Mackay convened a Business Meeting at 8:45 p.m.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION 08/113

At 8:46 p.m., on motion of Ms. Mackay, seconded by Ms. Maus, the Board moved into Executive Session to discuss a contractual matter. Motion carried unanimously.

#### ADJOURN MEETING 08/114

At 9:39 p.m., on motion of Mr. Cohen, seconded by Ms. Maus, the Board returned from Executive Session and at 9:41 p.m., there being no other business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned. Motion carried unanimously.

Submitted by  
Guy Cohen  
Vice President  
Board of Education

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Linda Pregiato  
District Clerk