

MINUTES
Annual Organizational Meeting
Rocky Point Schools' Board of Education

JULY 6, 2006

EXECUTIVE SESSION – 7:00 PM

1. OPENING OF MEETING BY DISTRICT CLERK

- a. Meeting called to order: 7:35 PM
- b. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

Attendance:

Jane Bonner
Michael Matera
Joseph Sanseverino
Geraldine Thalen
Carla L. D'Ambrosio, Ed.D. Superintendent of Schools
Sherry J. Alessandro, Asst. Supt. for Human Resources/Administration
Michael W. Ivanoff, Director of Finance and Operations
Mary Berretta, Acting District Clerk

Absent: None

II DISTRICT CLERK ADMINISTERS OATH OF OFFICE TO RE-ELECTED BOARD MEMBER JOSEPH SANSEVERINO AND NEWLY ELECTED BOARD MEMBER MARGARET SMITH

III ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- a. **ELECTION OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD**
(Ed. Law 1701, 2504, 2563)

The District Clerk asked for nominations for the Office of President of the Board of Education. Michael Matera nominated and Joseph Sanseverino seconded Geraldine Thalen for President of the Board of Education. With no further nominations for the Office of President, a vote was taken for Geraldine Thalen as Board of Education President – 5 Ayes, 0 Nays – motion carried 5-0. Oath of Office was administered by Mary Berretta, District Clerk, to Geraldine Thalen, President, Board of Education.

Chair relinquished by District Clerk to President Thalen.

b. ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD

President Thalen requested nominations for the Office of Vice-President of the Board of Education. Jane Bonner nominated and Michael Matera seconded Joseph Sanseverino for the Office of Vice-President. With no further nominations for the Office of Vice-President, a vote was taken for Joseph Sanseverino as Board of Education Vice-President – 5 Ayes, 0 Nays – Motion carried 5-0. Oath of Office was administered by District Clerk to Joseph Sanseverino, Vice President, Board of Education.

c. SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

The District Clerk administered the Oath of office to Dr. Carla D'Ambrosio, Superintendent of Schools.

IV. APPOINTMENT OF OFFICERS

A. DISTRICT CLERK – item tabled until August 28, 2006.

B. PART-TIME DEPUTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER (Ed.Law 1720)

Upon a motion made by Joseph Sanseverino, seconded by Michael Matera, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Kim Lake be and is hereby appointed as Part-Time Deputy School District Treasurer during the school year 2006-2007 at a salary of \$7000.00.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

C. CENTRAL TREASURER–EXTRA CLASSROOM ACTIVITY ACCOUNTS (Ed. Law 2503; Comm. Reg.172.5)

Upon a motion made by Michael Matera, seconded by Margaret Smith, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Jill Marolla be and is hereby appointed as Central Treasurer-Extra Classroom Activity Accounts during the school year 2006-2007 at a salary of \$4000.00.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Michael W. Ivanoff, Director of Finance and Operations be appointed auditor for the Extra-Classroom Activity Accounts during the school year 2006-2007

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

D. CLAIMS AUDITOR (Ed. Law 1709 20-A; Comm. Reg. 170.2)

Upon a motion made by Margaret Smith, seconded by Jane Bonner, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, as part of our 2006-2007 Shared Service Agreement, that Eastern Suffolk BOCES, be and is hereby appoint as Claims Auditor during the school year 2006-2007;

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

President Thalen made a motion seconded by Joseph Sanseverino that all Designations be moved as one item and not be read separately. The only item to be read will be item B the Regular Monthly Meetings. All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

V. DESIGNATIONS

A. OFFICIAL BANK DEPOSITORY –ALL FUNDS
(Ed. Law 2129, 2130; Comm. Reg 170.2)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the following Banks and/ or Trust Companies be and are hereby designated as the official depositories for the district funds during the school year 2006-2007.

Chase Manhattan Bank	Bank of America
Commerce Bank	Bank of New York
North fork Bank & trust	Bank of Smithtown
Cooperative Liquid Assets Security System (Class) – Municipal Banking System	

B. REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS
(Ed. Law 1708 (quarterly), 2504)

Upon a motion made by Joseph Sanseverino, seconded by Michael Matera, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the regular business school board meetings be held on fourth Monday of the month at 7:30 pm in the Auditorium of Rocky Point High School for the 2006-2007 school year in accordance with the following schedule:

July 6, 2006 *	Organizational Meeting
August 28, 2006	Regular Meeting
September 25, 2006	Regular Meeting
October 23, 2006	Regular Meeting
November 27, 2006	Regular Meeting

December 18, 2006*	Regular Meeting (12/25/06 through 1/01/06 - Holiday Recess)
January 27, 2007	Regular Meeting
February 26, 2007	Regular Meeting
March 26, 2007	Regular Meeting
April 24, 2007*	Regular Meeting
(April meeting needs to coincide with the BOCES meeting)	
May 8, 2007*	Public Hearing (Budget) (Ed Law 2017 (5)
May 15, 2007*	Regular Meeting and Budget Vote/ Election (Ed. Law 2022-a)
June 25, 2007	Regular Meeting

*Exceptions: July 6, 2006; December 18, 2006; April 24, 2007; May 8, 2007; May 15, 2007.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

C. DISTRICT ANNUAL PUBLIC HEARING/BUDGET VOTE/ELECTION (Ed. Law 2202-a; Ed. Law 2017 (5))

BE IT RESOLVED, that pursuant to section 2022-a of the Education Law the third Tuesday in May (May 15, 2007) is hereby designated as the date of the Annual Meeting to vote upon the appropriation of the necessary funds to meet the estimated expenditures of the school district, on any propositions involving the expenditure of money or authorizing the levy of taxes, and for the election of the members of the Board of Education; and that the 8th day of May is hereby designated as the District Public hearing date to review the proposed budget that will be voted upon on May 15, 2007.

D. OFFICIAL NEWSPAPERS (Ed, Law 2004; Gen. Municipal Law 103)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the official school district newspapers designated for legal notices are “**The Village Times/Beacon**”, “**North Shore Sun**” and “**Newsday**” for the 2006-2007 school year.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

VI. OTHER APPOINTMENTS

A. SCHOOL ATTORNEY

Upon a motion made by Michael Matera, seconded by Margaret Smith, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the law firm of Hamburger, Maxson, Yaffe, Wishod, Knauer & Rothberg, LLP, be appointed to serve as General and Labor Counsel for the 2006-2007 school year at a yearly retainer fee of \$24,000 and a per hour fee of \$195.00 for litigation services.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

B. BOND ATTORNEY

Upon a motion made by Jane Bonner, seconded by Margaret Smith, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the law firm of Hawkins, Delafield & Wood, LLP, be appointed to serve as Bond Counsel for the 2006-2007 school year at a not-to exceed fee of \$5000.00

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

C. PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER

Upon a motion made by Jane Bonner, seconded by Joseph Sanseverino, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Michael W. Ivanoff be appointed to serve as Public Information Officer during the school year 2006-2007.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

D. FAMILY EDUCATION RIGHTS & PRIVACY OFFICER

Upon a motion made by Joseph Sanseverino, seconded by Michael Matera, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Anja Groth be appointed to serve as Family Rights & Privacy Act Officer during the school year 2006-2007.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

E. SCHOOL PHYSICIAN(S)

Upon a motion made by Michael Matera, seconded by Margaret Smith, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, Drs. John Gil, Erika Jurasits, and Mark Wasserman be appointed to serve as School Physicians during the school year 2006-2007.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

F. CONSULTING SCHOOL DENTIST(S)
(Ed. Law 902)

Upon a motion made by Jane Bonner, seconded by Margaret Smith, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Drs. Mark Cherches and Harlan Taub, be appointed to serve as consulting School Dentists during the school year 2006-2007.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

President Thalen announced that for item G - Committee/Subcommittee on Special Education-all the names will not be read just the resolution. The list of names would be available in District Office tomorrow.

G. COMMITTEE/SUBCOMMITTEE ON SPECIAL EDUCATION:
(Comm. Reg. Subchapter P. Part 200)

Upon a motion made by Jane Bonner, seconded by Joseph Sanseverino, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with Commissioner's Regulations, Part 200, each Board of Education shall appoint a Committee/Subcommittee on Special Education in accordance with the provisions of the Education Law, Section 4402. The following people and positions are recommended for Board of Education approval for the 2006-2007 school year:

Chairperson	Eileen Manitta
Chairperson	Andrea Moscatiello
Alternate Chairperson	Sherin Shanahan
Alternate Chairperson	Robert Perret
Alternate Chairperson	Patrick Collins

Alternate Chairperson	John Haggerty
Alternate Chairperson	Uta Mocniak-Field
Alternate Chairperson	Lois Ingebretsen
Alternate Chairperson	Al Abbato
Student's Teacher	as per Education Law 4402
Alternate Parent Members	Call District Office for information

School Psychologist	Robert Perret, Ph.D.
School Psychologist	Patrick, Collins, Ph.D.
School Psychologist	John Haggarty, Ph.D.
School Psychologist	Uta Mocniak-Field, Ph.D.
District Special Education Teacher Members	
District Regular Education Teacher Members	
School Physician	Dr. Mark Wasserman
School Physician	Dr. John Gil
School Physician	Dr. Erika Jurasits

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

President Thalen announced the same would be for Item H – Appointments for Preschool Special Education.

H. APPOINTMENTS TO THE COMMITTEE ON PRESCHOOL EDUCATION

Upon a motion made by Joseph Sanseverino, seconded by Michael Matera, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Rocky Point Board of Education approve the appointment of a generic representative of the Department of Social Services for the Rocky Point Committee on Preschool Special Education which would be at the discretion of the county for the 2006-2006 school year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Rocky Point Board of Education approve the appointment of a representative of the providing testing agency as a generic member of the Rocky Point Committee on Preschool Special Education for the 2006-2007 school year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with Commissioner's Regulations, part 200 each Board of Education shall appoint a Committee on Preschool Special Education. The following people and positions are recommended for Board of Education approval for the 2006-2007 school year.

Chairperson	Eileen Manitta
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Chairperson	Lois Ingebretsen
Alternate Chairperson	Andrea Moscatiello
Alternate Chairperson	Patrick Collins
Alternate Chairperson	John Haggerty
Alternate Chairperson	Robert Perret
Alternate Chairperson	Uta Mocniak-Field
Alternate Parent Members	(Call District Office for names)
District Special Education Teacher Members	

Evaluator: For any meetings prior to the initial recommendation, a professional who participated in the evaluation of the child for whom services are first being sought.

Teacher: For any meeting held to review or re-evaluate the status of the preschool child, the child's Pre-School Teacher.

Suffolk County Representative: for a child in transition from an early intervention program, the appropriately licensed or certified professional from the Department Health Program

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

I. SURROGATE PARENT:

Upon a motion made by Michael Matera, seconded by Jane Bonner, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with Commissioner's Regulations, Part 200, each Board of Education shall appoint a surrogate Parent in accordance with the provisions of the Education Law, Section 4402. The following person is recommended for Board of Education approval for the 2006-2007 school year to serve as a Surrogate Parent: Ms. Nancy Collins, who resides at 56 Freya Road, Rocky Point, NY 11778.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

J. SECTION 504 COORDINATOR

Upon a motion made by Margaret Smith, seconded by Jane Bonner, the following resolution was offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that in accordance with federal Regulations, (Subpart D. of the Handicapped Children's Act), the following building principals are recommended for Board of Education approval for the 2006-2007 school year to serve Section 504 Coordinators; William Caulfield, Principal, High School; Joseph Tanen Centamore, Principal, Middle School; Carol Tvelia, Principal, Joseph A. Edgar School; Scott

O'Brien, Principal, Frank J. Carasiti Elementary School, (Suppart D. Of the Handicapped Children's Act). The overall Section 504 Coordinator is Eileen Manitta, Director of Special Education.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

K. TITLE IX COORDINATOR

Upon a motion made by Jane Bonner, seconded by Margaret Smith, the following resolution is offered:

BE IT RESOLVED that Sherry Alessandro will serve as the District's Title IX Coordinator for the 2006-2007 school year.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0

**L. AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT (ADA) COORDINATOR
(Pursuant to 28 CFR 35.107)**

Upon a motion made by Joseph Sanseverino, seconded by Margaret Smith, the following resolution is offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Eileen F. Manitta serve as the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Coordinator for the 2006-2007 school year.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

M. IMPARTIAL HEARING OFFICERS (As per the provisions of Chapter 403 of the Laws of 1993 Commissioner of Education Mandate Amendment to Section 4404(1) of the Education Law)

Upon a motion made by Michael Matera, seconded by Jane Bonner, the following resolution is offered:

IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, that pursuant to a parental request for an Impartial Hearing to review a determination of the District's Committee on Special Education, an Impartial Hearing Officer shall be selected from the list of approved Hearing Officers available to serve in Suffolk County, as maintained by the New York State Education Department's Impartial Hearing Reporting System in accordance with the Regulations of the System in accordance with the Regulations of the Commissioner of Education, as amended by the Board of Regents, effective July 9, 2004, and is further

RESOLVED, that pursuant to such amended regulations, the rotational selection process for an Impartial Hearing Officer will be initiated not later than two (2) business days after receipt by the District of the written request for the Impartial Hearing, and it is further

RESOLVED, that the Board President is hereby designated to appoint the Impartial Hearing Officer upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools and District Legal Counsel and notice of such appointment shall be provided to the full Board as soon as practical.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

N. RECORDS MANAGEMENT OFFICER

Upon a motion made by Jane Bonner, seconded by Joseph Sanseverino, the following resolution is offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that Michael W. Ivanoff be appointed to serve as Records Management Officer for the school year 2006-2007.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, by the Rocky Point Union Free School District of Rocky Point, New York, that Records Retention and Disposition Schedule ED-1, issued pursuant to Article 57-A of the Arts & Cultural Affairs Law, and containing legal minimum retention periods for local government records, is hereby adopted for use by all officers in legally disposing of valueless records listed therein.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that in accordance with Article 57-A, (a) only those records will be disposed of that are described in Records Retention and Disposition Schedule ED-1 after they have met the minimum retention periods described therein; (b) only those records will be disposed of that do not have sufficient administrative, fiscal, legal, or historical value to merit retention beyond established legal minimum periods.

All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

President Thalen made a motion seconded by Jane Bonner that from here Item IV - Other Appointments - all items will be moved as one item and not be read separately. The only item to be read will be Item IX the Personal changes. The list would be available tomorrow at District Office. All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

O. RECORDS ACCESS OFFICER

BE IT RESOLVED, that Sherry Alessandro be appointed to serve as Records Access Officer during the 2006-2007 school year.

P. RECORDS APPEALS OFFICER

BE IT RESOLVED, that Carla D'Ambrosio be appointed to serve as District Records Appeals Officer during the 2006-2007 school year.

Q. ASBESTOS OFFICER

BE IT RESOLVED, that Richard Mondello be appointed to serve as District Asbestos Officer during the 2006-2007 school year.

R. ATTENDANCE OFFICER (Ed. Law 1709)

BE IT RESOLVED, that Sherry Alessandro be appointed to serve as District Attendance Officer during the 2006-2007 school year.

VII. AUTHORIZATIONS

A. AUTHORIZATION FOR CHIEF SCHOOL OFFICER TO CERTIFY PAYROLLS (Ed. Law 1720, 2523; Comm. Reg. 170.2)

BE IT RESOLVED, that Carla D'Ambrosio, Chief School Officer, be hereby authorized to certify payrolls of the district for the 2006-2007 school year.

B. AUTHORIZATION FOR CHIEF SCHOOL OFFICER TO FILE APPLICATIONS AND GRANTS IN COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL AND STATE REGULATIONS

BE IT RESOLVED, that Carla D'Ambrosio, Chief School Officer, be hereby authorized as district representative to file all applications in compliance with Federal and State regulations and grants for the 2006-2007 school year.

C. AUTHORIZATION FOR THE BUSINESS OFFICIAL TO ACT AS SCHOOL PURCHASING AGENT (Comm. Reg. 170.2)

BE IT RESOLVED, that Michael W. Ivanoff be authorized to act as the Purchasing Agent and Greg Hilton, Assistant Purchasing Agent for the district during the school year 2006-2007.

D. AUTHORIZATION TO APPROVE CONFERENCES, WORKSHOPS, ETC. REQUESTS (General Municipal Law 77.b)

BE IT RESOLVED, that Carla D'Ambrosio, Superintendent of Schools, be authorized to approve all conferences, workshops, etc. requests for school district staff members for the 2006-2007 school year.

**E. AUTHORIZATION TO ESTABLISH PETTY CASH FUNDS
(Comm. Reg. 170.4)**

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Administration be authorized to establish petty cash funds for the 2006-2007 school year as follows:

Central Office – Carla D’Ambrosio	\$100.00
Central Office – Michael W. Ivanoff	\$100.00
Rocky Point High School - William B. Caulfield	\$100.00
Rocky Point Middle School – Joseph Tanen Centamore	\$100.00
Joseph A. Edgar School – Carol Tvelia	\$100.00
Frank J. Carasiti Elementary School – Scott O’Brien	\$100.00

**F. DESIGNATION OF AUTHORIZED SIGNATURES ON CHECKS
(Ed. Law 1709-29; Comm. Reg.. 170.4)**

BE IT RESOLVED, that Kim Lake, Part-Time Deputy School District Treasurer, be authorized to sign checks for the 2006-2007 school year, and that Irene Rosener, School District Treasurer, and Michael W. Ivanoff, Director of Finance and Operations, be authorized to sign checks for the 2006-2007 school year in the absence of Kim Lake; and furthermore that two signatories be required for any check exceeding \$10,000 and that the signatories for such checks be the Part-Time Deputy School District Treasurer, the School District Treasurer or the Director of Finance and Operations.

**G. AUTHORIZE CHIEF SCHOOL OFFICER TO APPROVE
BUDGET TRANSFERS (Ed. Law 1720, 2523)**

BE IT RESOLVED, that Carla D’Ambrosio, Chief School Officer, be authorized to approve budget transfers over \$100,000 per occurrence and Michael W. Ivanoff, Director of Finance and Operations, be authorized to approve budget transfers under \$100,000 per occurrence, during the 2006-2007 school year.

H. AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF CHECK SIGNER

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Part-Time Deputy School District Treasurer and the School District Treasurer shall have use of a check signer with a disc containing the signature of the Part-Time Deputy School District Treasurer.

I. AUTHORIZATION TO INVEST DISTRICT FUNDS

BE IT RESOLVED, that Michael W. Ivanoff during the school year 2006-2007 be authorized to invest district funds in accordance with the applicable state laws - Ed. Law 1723 (a).

J. RE-ADOPT INVESTMENT POLICY #5220

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education re-adopt Policy #5220 as it currently exists.

K. AUTHORIZATION - MEMBERSHIP DUES

BE IT RESOLVED, that the School Board memberships indicated below are hereby authorized for the 2006-2007 fiscal year, with associated estimated costs as follows:

New York State School Boards Association	\$7,955.00
SCOPE	\$3,200.00
Nassau/Suffolk School Boards Association	\$2,580.00

VIII. OTHER ITEMS

A. BONDING SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS, SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER, PART TIME DEPUTY SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER, DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND OPERATIONS, AND ALL OTHER EMPLOYEES

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Superintendent of Schools, School District Treasurer, Part-Time Deputy School District Treasurer, and Director of Finance and Operations shall be bonded at a minimum of \$1,500,000.00; Extra Class Activity Treasurer, Board of Education President and Director of Child Nutrition shall be bonded at a minimum of \$200,000 and all other employees shall be bonded at a minimum of \$100,000.

B. ESTABLISH MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT RATE (Ed. Law 2118)

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education establishes the mileage rate for reimbursement to school district employees for mileage at the current Internal Revenue Service rate per mile for the 2006-2007 school year.

C. ESTABLISH THE SUBSTITUTE RATE OF PAY SCHEDULE

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education establish the following substitute rate of pay schedule for the 2006-2007 fiscal year:

Non-Instructional Staff:

Clerical	\$10.00 per hour
Custodial	\$10.00 per hour
Food Service Worker	\$10.00 per hour
Security	\$10.00 per hour
Teacher Aide/ Monitor	\$10.00 per hour
Nurse	\$16.50 per hour

Teaching Staff:

- Teachers
- A. Daily rate \$90.00
 - B. In cases where the substitute assignment lasts ten consecutive weeks or more for the same teacher, the substitute will be paid at a per diem rate based on Bachelors Step 1 of the Teachers Salary Schedule.

D. RENTAL OF CLASSROOMS

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education set the rental of classroom rate of \$35.00 per classroom, per session, for outside organizations (non-district residents/functions) who rent our facilities for the 2006-2007 fiscal year.

IX. PERSONNEL CHANGES

Upon a motion made by Jane Bonner, seconded by Joseph Sanseverino, the following resolution is offered:

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education accept the attached Personnel changes.

All in Favor – Motion carried 5-0.

X TAN Borrowing for the 2006-07 Fiscal Year

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the following resolution:

Tax Anticipation Note Resolution, dated July 6, 2006, authorizing the issuance of not to exceed \$10,000,000.00 Tax Anticipation Notes of the Rocky Point Union Free School District, in the Town of Brookhaven, County of Suffolk, State of New York, in anticipation of the collection of real estate taxes to be levied in and for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2006.

XI. RESOLUTION FOR DISTRICT WIDE PRINTING

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education award Bid #07-02 to Sav-On Printing for the 2006-07 fiscal year.

XII. RESOLUTION TO EXTEND CURRENT AGREEMENT FOR DIRECTOR OF FINANCE AND OPERATIONS

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, that the Board of Education approve the temporary extension of the current agreement between the Rocky Point U.F.S.D. and Michael W. Ivanoff, the Director of Finance and Operations, from July 1, 2006 through September 30, 2006, pending negotiations of a new agreement.

All in Favor – Motion carried 5-0

President Thalen asked the audience if anyone had any questions to please come to the microphone and state their name.

Darren Goldstein: – Middle School teacher and Varsity wrestling coach. I was away when the last Board meeting was held in June and the discussion was held about the banners. I recently read an article in the North Shore Sun and I need some clarification regarding the controversy over the banners. My team practices in the gym and that is where there parents come to watch the matches. The banners up there are old and can't be reconditioned. I graduated from Port Jefferson, and I know that old banners are part of history but the felt ones in the gym here need to be replaced, they looked warn. Can I do help something to spearhead getting a consensus from the community and parents on what to do about the banners?

Ms.Thalen: Thank you for the offer. At this point there is nothing you can do for us. Your heartfelt interest is heard loud and clear.

Mr. Goldstein: I respect everything being done.

Ms. Thalen: Last month, we set aside a motion to accept the donation from the Booster Club.

Ms. Bonner: I would like to say something. We discussed this last month. Some of the felt banners – we don't know where they are. I liked the yellow faded ones. They had some history to them. But in all my years, I haven't spent so many hours speaking about sports, banners, sports dinners and what night of the week they should be on; they should spend as much time on baccalaureate, advanced placement, reading scores, as they do on this.

Mr. Goldstein: This is my forum. I am allowed to speak.

Ms. Bonner. Yes.

Mr. Goldstein. Thank you for the answers.

Ms. Thalen: Are there any other questions? If not, I would like to introduce Mr. Michael Gabriel who is in the audience, he will be our new Math/Science/Technology Coordinator, please welcome him.

Audience applause.

Ms. Thalen: no further questions, we will now adjourn to Executive Session.

At 8:10 PM a motion to go into Executive Session to discuss particular personnel matters was made by Jane Bonner, seconded by Michael Matera. All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Berretta
Acting District Clerk

The Board returned to Open Session at 10:59AM

XII. ADJOURNMENT

At 11:00 PM a motion was made by Jane Bonner and seconded by Michael Matera for the Board of Education to adjourn the meeting. All in favor – Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Carla L. D'Ambrosio, Ed.D.
Superintendent of Schools