

<u>October 24, 2005</u>	<u>Business Meeting</u>	<u>M.E.S. M.S. Cafeteria</u>	<u>J. McCoy</u>
Date	Type of Meeting	Where Held	Presiding Officer
Members Present:	<u>M. Drexel</u>	Members Absent:	<u>A. D'Alessandro</u>
	<u>P. Faigle</u>		
	<u>P. Harris</u>		
	<u>J. Miller</u>		
	<u>T. Perrino</u>		

Also present: Dr. Bruno, G. Heller, T. Cole, G. Pitruzzello, staff, community and press.

The meeting was called to order at 6:10 p.m. by Mrs. McCoy.

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Miller that the Board convene into Executive Session at 6:11 p.m. to discuss specific personnel issues/work history and matters pertaining to collective bargaining.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

There was no action taken.

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Miller that the Board return to open session at 7:42 p.m.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Mrs. McCoy led the Board and the community in the pledge to the flag.

Public Comment:

Daniel Lefkowitz made comments related to the PCB contamination at French Hill School and a report that was distributed to the PCB Sub-Committee but not to him. He asked for an explanation as to why he was left out. He also made comments related to contaminated caulk around the front columns of the school and asked for an update on the district seeking funding for the PCB cleanup.

Board of Education Discussion Items:

PTSA Report – Cathy Russell discussed two information issues with the Board. Regarding the Building Emergency Response Teams, several parents were very impressed with the professionalism and the planning for the practice emergency dismissal and she thanked Mr. Cole for his involvement. The need for getting more information out to parents was discussed. Mrs. Russell raised the issue of reviving the Mentor Program and obtaining training for volunteers. The PTSA will work with administrators in implementing a training program.

Charge to Finance Sub-Committee – Tom Perrino reviewed an outline of the charge to the Finance Committee. New Board members, as well as seasoned Board members, attended the required 6 hour fiscal training course. Mr. Perrino will attend a session in December. The makeup of the Audit Committee was discussed, as was the role that the Board and the Finance Committee will have in the preparation of the 2006-2007 budget. Board policies related to the preparation of the upcoming budget and possible changes to those policies were also discussed.

Dr. Bruno recommended appointing the Finance Committee as soon as possible. The makeup of the Finance Committee will be comprised of the following:

Board members – 2	P.T.A. - 2
Y.A.A.S – 1	U.T.Y - 1
Y.C.T. – 1	Community-at-large - 2
Administrator - 1	

Mrs. Harris raised the issue that there was a request for representation from Families for a Smarter Yorktown. Mrs. McCoy would like to leave the membership as it currently stands and move forward. Mrs. Harris disagreed. Discussion followed. Mr. Miller suggested that a letter be sent to the particular entities inviting them to select an individual to join the committee if they choose to do so. Mr. D'Alessandro and Mr. Perrino will represent the Board on the Finance Committee. Mr. Perrino will make contact with those groups. Mr. Miller recommended that the members of the committee be determined and that the committee hold its first meeting as soon as possible. He would expect that the administration, in conjunction with the Finance Committee, would report back to the Board by the end of November on the parameters for the upcoming budget cycle.

Charge to Superintendent Search Committee – Mrs. Faigle read a draft recommendation from the Search Committee. The Search Committee is to prepare a draft letter, include a list of firms that can provide a traditional as well as non-traditional search and prepare an R.F.P. to move forward by December. Mr. Drexel distributed a list of policies that relate to the hiring of a Superintendent. Discussion followed on the process to follow in proceeding with the selection of a search firm. Mrs. McCoy would like to set a deadline for accepting applications from search firms. Mr. Miller suggested formalizing the process before moving forward to seek information from prospective selection firms. Discussion followed.

Board Sub-Committee progress reports:

Policy Committee – Mrs. Faigle reported that the Policy Committee will not be looking at the Attendance Policy for the High School at this time as the current policy seems to be working efficiently. The committee will wait for feedback from Mr. Sullivan before addressing any changes. Mrs. Faigle noted that there has been a request for the Board to have and adhere to a policy for conducting meetings. She asked Dr. Bruno to set a date for the sub-committee to discuss Board goals.

Facilities Committee – Mrs. McCoy announced there is another presentation scheduled for Wednesday, October 26th at the Middle School. She reviewed a list of meetings that have been scheduled to take place with various PTA's, the Facilities team and the architects. Information will be firmed up and posted on the web site. In addition, a meeting has been scheduled at Town Hall with the membership of the UTY on November 28th. Mrs. McCoy plans to speak to someone about a presentation for senior citizens' group for their input. Mr. Drexel noted that the Town of Yorktown issued a proclamation on Red Ribbon Week; he gave credit to the

Consortium and to the School District for being behind the idea of drug awareness and prevention.

PCB Remediation Update – Mr. Miller gave an update on the status of the PCB remediation at French Hill School. Additional work in cleaning the exterior of the building will be done with an effort to be mindful of exposure to staff and students. The consultant will provide a recommendation to the District on how to proceed and consider addressing potential sites in the district. Recommendations will be presented to the committee for consideration.

Superintendent Discussion Items:

Monthly Budget Status Report – This was postponed until November 21st at which time the External Auditor will be present with his report.

Dr. Bruno referenced several handouts distributed to the Board on Class Size, Enrollment, the Superintendent's 2005-06 Objectives and the NYSSBA survey. Mr. Heller responded to questions from Board members on class size. Dr. Bruno gave a brief overview of his 2005-06 objectives and the Enrollment Report. He also discussed the NYSSBA Survey and a consensus that the Board would entertain a motion to pay NYSBA for the labor that has already been assessed in the amount of \$1,358 and end the contract.

Motion by Dr. Bruno, seconded by Mrs. Faigle to satisfy the cost of the labor to NYSSBA and terminate the contract.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Update on Strategic Planning Task Force – Dr. Bruno gave an update on the Strategic Planning Task Force. He indicated that all members of the task force have agreed to stay on, and will meet in November. All action plans will be shared with the Board.

Dr. Bruno noted that Mr. Heller asked staff at school buildings and departments to report on activities and achievements. Mr. Heller reported on a myriad of wonderful activities that had taken place at the various grade levels. Dr. Bruno announced that information on scarlet ribbons will be included in a Board packet. He reminded the Board that the \$16,000 from the former Consortium budget fund balance will not cover related expenses during 2005-06. A lot of fund raising will have to be done to supplement the \$16,000. Discussion followed. Mr. Drexel thanked Mr. Heller for the information. He would like to see some of these accomplishments noted in the local newspapers. Mrs. McCoy suggested having some kind of recognition mid-year to acknowledge both students' and staff's accomplishments and present them at a meeting. Mr. Heller will take care of the arrangements.

RESOLUTIONS:

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the minutes from the Special Meetings of September 12; 2005, September 19, 2005 & September 28, 2005, and the Business Meeting of September 26, 2005.

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Miller to amend the previous motion to withdraw the minutes from the Business Meeting.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

The vote on the original motion as amended

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Motion by Mr. Perrino, seconded by Mrs. Faigle to approve the Treasurer's Reports as of August 31, 2005.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Perrino to approve the Substitute Lists.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

PERSONNEL

INSTRUCTIONAL

Resignation

Motion by Mr. Perrino, seconded by Mrs. Faigle to accept the resignation of Natasha Puckhaber, 186 day substitute at Strang Middle School, effective October 14, 2005.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mrs. Harris to accept the resignation of D'Etta Mullen, physical education teacher at Yorktown High School, effective November 18, 2005.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Parental Leave

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Perrino to approve a parental leave of absence for Sheila Rowley, chemistry teacher at Yorktown High School, from December 6, 2005 through June 30, 2006.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Appointments

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the appointment of William Tovar, as Teacher Coordinator for Art K-12, for the 2005-2006 school year at a stipend of \$3,096.13, and for the 2006-2007 school year at the stipend in the new teacher contract.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Motion by Mr. Perrino, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the appointment of Veronica Dwyer, as Teacher Coordinator for Health K-12, for the 2005-2006 school year at a stipend of \$3,096.13, and for the 2006-2007 school year at the stipend in the new teacher contract.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Motion by Mr. Perrino, seconded by Mrs. Faigle to approve the appointment of Jeffrey Smith, as Teacher Coordinator for Music K-12, for the 2006-2007 school year at the stipend in the new teacher contract. Mr. Smith was previously approved for the 2005-2006 school year.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the appointment of Dennis Downing as Teacher Coordinator of Science at Yorktown High School, to fill the term of Andrea Servedio who is on a parental leave of absence, from September 16, 2005 through June 30, 2006.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Motion by Mr. Perrino, seconded by Mrs. Faigle to approve the appointment of Dennis Downing as Mentor for Peter Duncombe, Chemistry teacher at Yorktown High School, for the 2005-2006 school year, at a stipend of \$1,400.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Change in Salary

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Perrino to approve a correction in salary for Kara McCloat, art teacher at Strang Middle School, from 1MA+24 to 1BA+30, a reduction of \$6,710.68, effective September 1, 2005, based on a review of her official transcript. Ms. McCloat was incorrectly placed on the Masters salary schedule at time of hire.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Extra Credits

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Perrino to approve the following extra credits:

	<u>Increase</u>
<u>Effective January 1, 2005:</u>	
Daniela Leonard – Middle School – 10 credits on the Bachelors to 6BA+26	\$1,121.60
Mercy College:	
Working With Parents & Families of Children, in Early Childhood, and Children with Disabilities (8/04)	(2)
Educational Psychology & Adolescent Development (5/04)	(2)
Methods & Materials in Adolescence Education (5/04)	(3)
Education Evaluation & Assessment (7/04)	(3)
 <u>Effective September 1, 2005:</u>	
Daniela Leonard – Middle School – 4 credits on the Bachelors to 7BA+30	\$465.68
Mercy College:	
Working With Parents & Families of Children, in Early Childhood, Childhood, and Children with Disabilities (8/04)	(1)
Education Law (5/05)	(3)
 Mary Lou McIntosh – Middle School – 10 credits on the Masters to 4MA+20	\$2,062.20
Hudson River Teacher Center:	
Technology for Foreign Language Teachers (11/04)	(1)
Implementing Early Phonemic Awareness, Phonics, Reading Skills & Strategies in a Literacy Program (7/05)	(3)
NWP Teacher Center:	
The Tips in Critical Thinking & Project Based Learning (12/04)	(1)
SUNY Purchase:	
Spotlight on 2 French Authors (11/04)	(1)
Impressionism and the Culture of Modernity (4/05)	(1)
L' Atelier, The French Theater Workshop (6/05)	(1)
Two Day Institute for All LOTE Teachers (7/05)	(1)
Video & Internet in the French Classroom (8/05)	(1)
 Joanne Iodice – French Hill – 10 credits on the Masters to 8MA+56	\$2,062.20
College of St. Rose:	
Teachers Discovering Computers (8/05)	(1)
Teacher Collaboration for Special Needs Students (12/03)	(1)

Teachers & Parents: Winning & Keeping Parental Support (6/05) (3)
 Educating Special Needs Students (5/05) (3)
 Edith Winthrop Teacher Center:
 More Literacy Recipes-Part II (2/05) (1)
 Using NYC Museums as a Classroom Resource (5/05) (1)

John Miller – Middle School – 10 credits on the Masters
 to 9MA+60 \$2,062.20

Edith Winthrop Teacher Center:
 Teaching Children How to Learn (11/04) (1)
 Teaching Social Studies & History (12/04) (1)
 Hudson Valley Teacher Center:
 Writing Process: A Study Group Grades 4-8 (3/05) (1)
 Integrating the Internet into your Curriculum Using
 Marco Polo (3/05) (1)
 NYSUT Effective Teaching:
 Proactive Strategies of all Students (7/05) (3)
 Critical Thinking (7/05) (3)

Scott Wynne – Middle School – 10 credits on the Masters
 to 4MA+50 \$2,062.20

NYSUT Effective Teaching:
 M.A.G.I.C. (7/05) (3)
 PNW Teacher Center:
 Strategy Toolbox: The Greatest Hits-Part I (7/05) (1)
 Hudson River Teacher Center:
 Tracing the Ethnic Diversity of NYC (8/05) (3)
 Memory Magic (8/05) (3)

Roberta Yandle – High School – 7 credits on the Masters
 to 16MA+60 \$1,443.54

College of St. Rose:
 Teaching Creativity Creatively (8/04) (3)
 Teacher Education Institute (Madonna U.):
 Teachers Discovering & Integrating Microsoft Office (12/04) (3)
 PNW Teacher Center:
 Survival Spanish (4/05) (1)

Susan Zuckerman – Mohansic – 10 credits on the Masters
 to 16MA+50 \$2,062.20

Hudson River Teacher Center:
 Neuro-Linguistic Programming Part I (7/05) (1)
 Speech & Language Pathologists Information
 Network 2001-2002 (5/01) (2)

Speech Pathologist Information Network: Staff Development 2003-2004 (6/04)	(2)
Speech Pathologist Information Network (6/05)	(2)
Teacher Center of Westchester: Educating for Success (8/02)	(3)
Patrick Burke – High School – 10 credits on the Masters to 13MA+30	\$2,062.20
Dutchess Community College:	
General Biology II (5/05)	(2)
Environmental Biology (12/04)	(4)
Geology (5/05)	(4)
Sean Carney – Middle School – 10 credits on the Masters to 6MA+10	\$2,062.20
NYSUT Effective Teaching:	
Teach For Exceptional Student (8/05)	(1)
Creative Controversy (7/05)	(3)
The Writing Process & Instructional Strategies (7/05)	(3)
Approaches to Teaching Literacy (7/05)	(3)
Elizabeth Crescimanno – Brookside – 10 credits on the Masters to 11MA+26	\$2,062.20
Hudson River Teacher Center:	
Shakespeare on Your Feet (7/04)	(3)
Reading Comprehension & Critical Thinking (11/04)	(3)
Writing Process: A Study Group 4-8 (3/05)	(1)
NYSUT Effective Teaching:	
M.A.G.I.C. (8/05)	(3)
Bryan Dennie – High School – 10 credits on the Masters to 11MA+60	\$2,062.20
College of St. Rose:	
Teaching Creativity Creatively (8/04)	(3)
Teachers Discovering Computers (4/05)	(3)
Teachers Discovering & Integrating Multimedia (8/05)	(3)
Teaching With WebQuests (8/05)	(1)
Timothy Dwan – Mohansic – 10 credits on the Masters to 9MA+30	\$2,062.20
Edith Winthrop Teacher Center:	
Props, Scenery, Masks & Costumes for the Classroom (7/05)	(1)
Life Skills & Philosophy of the Native Americans (7/03)	(1)
Classroom Practices That Facilitate Learning for Language	

Impaired Students (6/05)	(1)	
Technology Time Savers and Lesson Plans (7/05)	(1)	
New Literature in Reading and Writing 2005 (8/05)	(2)	
Purchase Teacher Center:		
Stress and Coping in Children and Adolescents (4/05)	(1)	
Positive Discipline in the Classroom (6/05)	(1)	
Rockland Teacher Center:		
Using the Internet to Make Science Lessons Pop! (5/05)	(1)	
NWP Teacher Center:		
Strategy Tool Box – Greatest Hits Part I (7/05)	(1)	
Elizabeth Flor – Brookside – 13 credits on the Masters to 12MA+60		\$2,680.86
NYSUT Effective Teaching:		
Encouraging Student Responsibility and Discipline (8/04)	(3)	
Classroom Management (11/04)	(3)	
Hudson River Teacher Center:		
Writing Process: A Study Group (4/05)	(1)	
Brain Compatible Learning (7/05)	(3)	
Successful Teaching for the Acceptance of Responsibility (7/05)	(3)	
Benedetta Varotta – French Hill – 10 credits on the Masters to 5MA+51		\$2,062.20
NYSUT Effective Teaching:		
Learning Smarter: Using the Best of Brain-Compatible Strategies For Teaching, learning and Studying (8/05)	(1)	
SUNY Purchase:		
Painting 1: Beginning/Intermediate (12/04)	(3)	
Impressionism (12/04)	(4)	
Edith Winthrop Teacher Center:		
Using NYC Museums as a Classroom Resource (5/05)	(1)	
Observing, Recording and Creating Art (5/05)	(1)	

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Co-Curricular Activities

Motion by Mrs. Harris, seconded by Mrs. Faigle to approve the following co-curricular activities for the 2005-2006 school year:

HIGH SCHOOL

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>\$ Amount</u>
Adventure Club	Cathy Quackenbush	859.08

Amnesty International	Steve Rome	572.72
Big Buddies	Seth Altman	1,431.80
	Gayle Leaversuch	1,431.80
Class Coordinator	Bill Tovar	2,004.52
Dance Club	Kara McCloat	286.36
Dance Company	Veronica Dwyer	5,727.20
Debate Club	Christine Johnsmeyer	572.72
Destination Imagination	David Taft	572.72
Drama Club	John Johnson	429.54
	Jill Goldowsky	429.54
Drama Presentation	John Johnson	429.54
	Jill Goldowsky	429.54
Environmental Club	Erica Knopp	859.08
Envirothon	Brian Fritz	286.36
	Bryan Dennie	286.36
FBLA	Karen Firestone	429.54
	Jennifer McLean	429.54
Film Club	Steven Laber	286.36
Foreign Language Club	Patricia LaPunzina	286.36
	Diane Sunkel	286.36
Gay/Straight Alliance	Eric Agosta	286.36
	Barbara Nyarady	286.36
Class Advisor-9th Grade	Geoff Howard	1,145.44
Class Advisor-10th Grade	Michael Salmore	1,145.44
Class Advisor-11th Grade	Veronica Dwyer	1,718.16
Class Advisor-12th Grade	Jillian Antonucci	1,145.44
	Sabrina Bieloski	1,145.44
Jazz Ensemble	Emily Kluga	1,145.44
Key Club	Maria Pastore	1,145.44
	August Egan	1,145.44
Mock Trial	Steve Rome	859.08
Model U.N. Club	Richard Dambra	572.72
Musical:Director	Tom Arduini	1,145.44
Producer	Marilee Sorrentini-	1,145.44
Vocal Director	Tom Arduini	1,145.44
National Honor Society	Kathy Belardo	2,004.52
Pep Club	Emily Kluga	859.08
Philosophy Club	Peter Carucci	572.72
S.A.D.D.	Mary Froats	429.54
	Rosemarie Jost	429.54
Science Olympiad	Erica Agosta	715.90
	David Taft	715.90
Soupstone	Patricia Calhoun	1,145.44
Student Senate	Daniel Lopez	4,581.76

V.A.A.S.A.	Marissa Reed	715.90
V.O.I.C.E.	Paula Stops	1,145.44
Yearbook	Gerry Alterbaum	1,145.44
	Andrea Mooney	2,004.52

MIDDLE SCHOOL

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Name</u>	<u>\$ Amount</u>
Academic Triathlon	Kelly Clinchy	429.54
	Sheryl Goldberg	429.54
	Donna Morales	429.54
Adobe Photoshop	Robert Stejskal	286.36
Band(Marching)	Al Torrente	143.18
Basketball	Dennis Daria	286.36
Body Shop/Weight Training	Dennis Daria	572.72
Butterfly Garden	Donna Baratta	143.18
	Mario D'Auria	143.18
Ceramic Sculpture/Pottery	Marlene Parillo	286.36
Chorus(Select)	Mary Peters	859.08
Computer Lab	Sue Sniffen	572.72
Consequences/School Services	Mario D'Auria	859.08
	Patricia Lord	429.54
Craft Club	Michelle Manicchio	143.18
	Deborah Potter	143.18
Culture Club	Marylou McIntosh	286.36
	Marion Ricci	286.36
Digital Video Club	Mark Grote	572.72
F.B.L.A.	Sue Sniffen	572.72
International Night/French Week	Marylou McIntosh	200.45
	Marion Ricci	200.45
Jazz Workshop	Al Torrente	429.54
Math Bowl 6	Michelle Marchetti	286.36
	Arlene Rasulo	286.36
Math Bowl 7	Andrea O'Connell	286.36
Math Bowl 8	Debra Outman	286.36
Math Carnival	Arlene Rasulo	429.54
	Janine Bartko	429.54
Midi Workshop	Al Torrente	429.54
Model Building	Robert Stejskal	286.36
Musical	Scott Wynne	3,149.96
	Paul DiRito	3,149.96
	Veronica Hildinger	2,290.88
	Robert Stejskal	1,718.16
	Trudy Colten	286.36

Puppetry Workshop	Marlene Parillo	286.36
S.A.D.D.	Melissa Hubanek	286.36
	Betsy Luft	286.36
School Store	Sue Sniffen	1,002.26
Scrapbooking	Megan Kalogris	286.36
	Laura Brann	286.36
Songwriting	Paul DiRito	214.77
Spotlight Literary Magazine	Elizabeth Philipbar	286.36
	Teresa Bachorik	286.36
Student Council	Daniela Leonard	859.08
Swimming	Kerry D'Angelo	572.72
	Gary Kitteredge	572.72
Totally Wellness Tuesday	Melissa Hurbanek	286.36
Track	Karri Sateriale	286.36
Variety Show	Alison Cook	572.72
	Michelle Marchetti	572.72
	Lisa Morella	572.72
VolleyBall	Karri Sateriale	214.77
	Kerry D'Angelo	214.77
	Dennis Daria	214.77
	Gary Kittredge	214.77
Yearbook	Jennifer Flynn	572.72
	Mathew Ladka	2,290.88
Bus Duty	Christopher DiPasquale	2,863.60

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

SUPPORT STAFF

Resignation

Motion by Mr. Perrino, seconded by Mr. Miller to accept the resignation of Erica Mazzeo, teaching assistant/instructional assistant at Brookside School, effective September 23, 2005.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Change in Hours

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve an increase in time of 15 minutes for Elizabeth Pezzulo, instructional assistant at Strang Middle School, effective September 27, 2005, an increase of \$496.44. September 26, 2005 Agenda listed two-hour day, should have been two hours and 15 minutes.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve an increase in time of 3 hours per day for Elizabeth Solow, teaching assistant/instructional assistant at French Hill School, an increase of \$7,053.30, effective September 26, 2005. This increase is due to a change in her assignment, replacing Carmela LoBrutto, who was also reassigned.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve an increase in time of 35 minutes per day for Denise Stabile, teaching assistant/instructional assistant at French Hill School, an increase of \$1,282.51, effective September 1, 2005. This increase is due to a change in the assignment of her classroom teacher, from Mohansic School to French Hill School.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Faigle to approve a change in the assignments of Daniel Hocker and Susan Maise, teaching assistants/instructional assistants at Strang Middle School. They will reverse assignments, Daniel Hocker going to 6.5 hours per day and Susan Maise going to 6.17 hours per day, effective September 15, 2005.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Appointments

Motion by Mr. Perrino, seconded by Mrs. Faigle to approve the appointment of Anna Cerbone, as a teaching assistant/instructional assistant, 6.5 hours per day, Step 3 of the Instructional Assistant salary schedule, at a prorated salary of \$11,609.00, effective October 25, 2005. Ms. Cerbone has Permanent N-6 certification. Her probationary period will expire October 25, 2008. Ms. Cerbone is replacing Erica Mazzeo at Brookside School who has resigned.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Motion by Mr. Perrino, seconded by Mrs. Faigle to approve the emergency appointment of Carolyn Braverman, as a teaching assistant/ instructional assistant, 3 hours 35 minutes per day, Step 2 of the Instructional Assistant salary schedule, at a prorated salary of \$5,719.12, effective October 25, 2005. Ms. Braverman's Level I TA certification is pending. Her probationary period will expire October 25, 2008. Ms. Braverman is replacing Elizabeth Solow who has been reassigned. Her initial placement will be at French Hill School.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Security Officer

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the appointment of Wilberto Saez, as a substitute security officer for the district.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Civil Service Appointments

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Drexel to approve the following permanent Civil Service appointments after completion of a 52 week probationary period:

Jacqueline Caffrey	Nurse	Nov. 16, 2005
Rita Campana	Office Assistant/Automated Systems	Nov. 16, 2005

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Athletics – Winter Coaches 2005-06

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Perrino to approve the following coaches for the winter season of the 2005-06 school year:

<u>Coach</u>	<u>Sport</u>	<u>Level</u>		<u>Base</u>	<u>Longevity</u>		<u>Total</u>
				\$	%	Amt.	\$
Veteri, Steven	Basketball/Boys	V	Head	5,307.48	15	796.12	6,103.60
Lopez, Daniel	Basketball/Boys	JV	Head	3,715.24	--	--	3,715.24
Mager, Ellen	Basketball/Girls	V	Head	5,307.49	25	1,326.87	6,634.36
Gojecevic, Toma	Basketball/Girls	JV	Head	3,715.24	--	--	3,715.24
Tolli, Jennifer	Basketball/Girls	Frosh	Head	2,653.75	--	--	2,653.75
Tovar, William	Bowling/B-G	V/JV	Head	5,307.49	25	1,326.87	6,634.36
Deans, Melissa	Cheerleading	V	Head	5,307.49	--	--	5,307.49
Meola, Alfredo	Ice Hockey	V	Head	5,307.49	10	530.75	5,838.24
Morrissey, Thomas	Ice Hockey	V	Asst.	4,245.99	15	636.90	4,882.89
Smith, Keith	Indoor Track/B-G	V/JV	Head	5,307.49	25	1,326.87	6,634.36
Amrick, Daniel	Indoor Track/B-G	V/JV	Asst.	4,245.99	10	424.60	4,670.59
Frattarola, Katie	Indoor Track/B-G	Mod.	Head	2,653.75	--	--	2,653.75
Robertson, William	Ski/B-G	V	Head	5,307.49	20	1,061.50	6,368.99
Nufer, Wendy	Ski/B-G	V	Asst.	4,245.99	--	--	4,245.99
Galassi, Mara	Swim/Dive-Boys	V	Co-Head	2,653.75	25	663.44	3,317.19
Brennan, Caitlin	Swim/Dive-Boys	V	Co-Head	2,653.75	--	--	2,653.75
Ladka, Matthew	Wrestling	V	Head	5,307.45	25	1,326.86	6,634.31
Bucello, Joseph	Wrestling	JV	Head	3,715.24	--	--	3,715.24
Kennedy, Sean	Wrestling	Mod.	Head	2,653.75	--	--	2,653.75

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

PROFESSIONAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

Instructional

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Drexel to approve the following Yorktown Congress of Teachers Professional Improvement Program proposals (Contract Balance: \$30,000.00; Encumbered/Paid to date: \$3105.00. Total to be approved: \$8,083.97.)

	<u>Cost</u>
Moira Schnecker , teacher at Mohansic, to attend “Multisensory Reading Instruction: Part I”, The Windward School, White Plains, NY – October 20-November 17, 2005.	\$ 650.96
Deirdre Farrell , teacher at Mohansic, to attend “Multisensory Reading Instruction: Part I”, The Windward School, White Plains, NY – October 20-November 17, 2005.	650.96
Randi Ackerman , speech/language Teacher at French Hill, to attend “Speech Pathologist Information Network”, Hudson River Teacher Center, Putnam/NW BOCES, Yorktown Heights, NY – September 22-June 8, 2006.	350.00
Mark Papo , phys-ed teacher at French Hill, to attend “South Eastern Zone P.E. Conference,” South Eastern Zone of NYSAHPERD, White Plains High School, White Plains, NY – November 8, 2005.	149.17
Michael Vogt , phys-ed teacher at French Hill, to attend “South Eastern Zone P.E. Conference,” South Eastern Zone of NYSAHPERD, White Plains High School, White Plains, NY – November 8, 2005.	131.71
Lois Dym Schwedelson , phys-ed teacher at French Hill, to attend “South Eastern Zone P.E. Conference,” South Eastern Zone of NYSAHPERD, White Plains High School, White Plains, NY – November 8, 2005.	113.28
Linda Hatfield , reading teacher at Brookside, to attend “NYSRA Conference 2005: Opening Minds, Enhancing Lives”, NYS Reading Association, Rochester Riverside Convention Center, Rochester, NY – November 2-5, 2005.	767.00
Tina Trainor , reading teacher at Brookside, to attend “NYSRA Conference 2005: Opening Minds, Enhancing Lives”, NYS Reading Association, Rochester Riverside Convention Center, Rochester, NY – November 2-5, 2005.	785.25
Robert Ellis , teacher at Crompond, to attend “Asperger’s Syndrome” MEDS-PDN, Crowne Plaza, White Plains, NY – November 17, 2005.	221.40
Helen Klein , psychologist at Brookside, to attend “Using curriculum-Based	140.00

Measurement to Measure Response to Intervention.” P/NW BOCES
Guidance & Child Study Center-Tech South, Yorktown Heights NY –
December 9, 2005.

Pam Roadman, psychologist at Crompond, psychologist at Brookside, to attend “Using curriculum-Based Measurement to Measure Response to Intervention.” P/NW BOCES Guidance & Child Study Center-Tech South, Yorktown Heights NY – December 9, 2005. 140.00

Victoria (Matuszewski) Cavallo, teacher at Crompond, to attend “The Way to Math Solutions (Grades 2-4)” Center for Professional Development & Curriculum Support, SW BOCES, Elmsford NY – October 26-December 6, 2005. 575.00

Diane Suarez, teacher at MESMS, to attend “Making Algebra Child’s Play – A Hands-on Equations Workshop Gr. 4-6”, Center for Professional Development & Curriculum Support, SW BOCES, Elmsford NY – November 14, 2005. 189.55

D’Etta Mullen, teacher at YHS, to attend “NYS Association for Health, PE, Recreation & Dance Fall Conference, Rochester, NY – November 9-12, 2005. 280.00

Kathryn Connor, teacher at YHS, to attend “NYS Association for Health, PE, Recreation & Dance Fall Conference, Rochester, NY – November 9-12, 2005. (Hotel & mileage includes D’Etta Mullen) 901.51

Theresa Bachorik, teacher at MESMS, to attend “We Can Change the World: The Transformative Nature of Teaching” NYS English Council, The Desmond, Albany NY – October 19-21, 2005. 394.18

Elizabeth Philipbar, teacher at MESMS, to attend “We Can Change the World: The Transformative Nature of Teaching” NYS English Council, The Desmond, Albany NY – October 19-21, 2005. 287.00

Terry Shaw, teacher at YHS, to attend “Texas Instruments T3 International Conference: Texas Instruments, Denver, Colorado – February 24-26, 2006. 1,357.00

Motion by Mr. Perrino, seconded by Mr. Drexel to amend the previous motion to exclude D’Etta Mullen.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

The vote on the original motion as amended

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Motion by Mr. Perrino, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the following Yorktown Congress of Teachers Professional Improvement proposal:

D’Etta Mullen, teacher at YHS, to attend “NYS Association for Health, PE, Recreation & Dance Fall Conference, Rochester, NY – November 9-12, 2005.

0 aye 6 nay Motion failed

Support Staff

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the following Teaching Assistant/Instructional Assistant Chapter of the Yorktown Congress of Teachers Professional Improvement Program proposals (Contract Balance: \$5,000.00. Encumbered and expended to date: \$0; Total to be approved: \$252.00.

Mara Galassi , IA/TA & swim/dive coach at YHS, to attend “Health Sciences Applied to Coaching” Asynchronous Web-Based Coaching Certification Program, SUNY Cortland, Cortland, NY – April 3-June 23, 2006.	<u>Cost</u> \$ 252.00
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6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Perrino to approve the following Yorktown Nurses Professional Improvement Proposal for 2005-2006. (Contract Balance \$5813.50. Total to be approved: \$161.00):

Linda Pozomke , District Nurse at Crompond, to attend Lienhard Hall – Pleasantville Campus on November 2, 2005. Conference is in regard to Focused Clinical Assessment of the Heart and Lungs.	<u>Cost</u> \$ 161.00
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6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

SPECIAL EDUCATION

IEP Placement Recommendations

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Perrino to arrange the following Special Education Placements:

3321, 3370, 3381, 3424, 1747, 3407, 3187, 3411, 3270, 3410, 3297, 3307, 3305, 1766, 2809, 1573, 3000, 3394, 3386, 2601, 3413, 1907, 1750, 2345, 1769, 3391, 3416, 3344, 2784

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

BOARD POLICY

Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Perrino to approve the following resolution regarding Board Policy #4710:

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board hereby waives the requirement in Policy #2410 of two readings prior to adoption of Board policy and hereby adopts Policy #4710 (Grading Systems) in one reading.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

BUSINESS OFFICE

Contract Amendment

Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Faigle to approve the contract amendment with Perkins Eastman Architects for \$3,000 per month beginning November 1, 2005 ending May 31, 2006 or the date of the phase II bond vote, whichever is sooner. The Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board President to execute said amendment.

Discussion followed.

2 aye 4 nay Motion failed

(M. Drexel, J. McCoy, aye; P. Faigle, P. Harris, J. Miller, T. Perrino, nay)

Fund Transfers

Motion by Mrs. Harris, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the following fund transfers:

		<u>FROM:</u>	<u>TO:</u>
Salaries: Substitutes K-6 (T/A/IA)	A2110153100000	29,798.00	
Salaries: Substitutes 7-12	A2110154100000		29,798.00
Salaries: Custodians	A1620168100000	24,861.42	
Salaries: Cleaners	A1620161100000		24,861.42
Salaries: Elementary Teachers	A2250151100000	98,948.59	
Salaries: Secondary Teachers	A2250152100000		98,948.59
Salaries: Nurses	A2815164100000	5,569.11	
Salaries: Summer Work	A2815159100000		5,569.11

Salaries: Psychologists K-6	A2820151100000	124,306.34	
Salaries: Psychologists 7-12	A2820152100000		124,306.34
Salaries: Administrator	A2830156100000	5,022.66	
Salaries: Clerical	A2830160060000		5,022.66
Salaries: Secondary Teachers	A2110152100000	118,868.17	
Salaries: Gifted & Talented	A2110151103727		118,868.17
<i>To reallocate funds to adjust salary lines</i>			
Salaries: Assistant to Supt.	A1620157100099	13,710.00	
Salaries: Asst. Supt/Curriculum	A1430157100099	3,682.10	
Salaries: Asst. Supt/Curriculum	A2010157100099	2,591.91	
Salaries: Administrator	A2830156100000	19,938.14	
Salaries: Principals & Administrators	A2020156100000	77,077.85	
Contractual Expense: District	A2110400100000		117,000.00
<i>To reallocate funds to accommodate the salary of the interim principal.</i>			
Computer Software	A2630461081556	20,800.00	
Computer Software: HS	A2630461011556		20,800.00
Computer Software	A2630461081556	15,310.00	
Computer Software: MS	A2630461021556		15,310.00
Computer Software	A2630461081556	6,680.00	
Computer Software: BR	A2630461041556		6,680.00
Computer Software	A2630461081556	7,085.00	
Computer Software: CR	A2630461051556		7,085.00
Computer Software	A2630461081556	6,605.00	
Computer Software: F.H.	A2630461031556		6,605.00
Computer Software	A2630461081556	5,845.00	
Computer Software: MO	A2630461071556		5,845.00
<i>To realign funds in appropriate building codes. These dollars were originally placed in one code for technology. The Technology Department has requested the breakdown to enable them to keep track of the distribution among the buildings.</i>			
Contractual Expense (M.S.)	A2110400020000	6,000.00	
Salaries: Chaperone	A2110158100000		6,000.00
<i>To reallocate funds to pay for chaperones for 8th Grade Graduation, M.S. Musical and Frost Valley.</i>			

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Application for a Permit to Operate a Swimming Pool and Public Cafeteria

Motion by Mrs. Harris, seconded by Mrs. Faigle to authorize the District Clerk to execute and deliver to the Westchester County Department of Health, for and on behalf of the school district, an application for a permit to operate a public swimming pool and a public cafeteria, and to execute and deliver any and all additional documents which may be appropriate or desirable in connection therewith.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

OPERATIONS & MAINTENANCE

Change Orders

Motion by Mrs. Harris, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the following change order:

Mohansic Elementary School

Change Order #15	B & H Construction	
Abate control valves in fan room for a net sum of		\$19,140.00
<i>Note: Architect's Omission</i>		

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

GRANTS/GIFTS/DONATIONS

Brookside Elementary School

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve a \$500.00 grant from Walmart, Cortlandt Town Center, to Brookside School.

Cost to District: None

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

French Hill Elementary School

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve a gift of six trees (two Dogwood, two apple and two cherry – valued at approximately \$1,350.00) from the Yorktown Youth Soccer Club to French Hill School.

Cost to District: Not to exceed \$600.00

Motion by Mr. Perrino, seconded by Mr. Miller to amend the previous motion to read “Cost to District: None”.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

The vote on the original motion as amended

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Yorktown High School

Motion by Mrs. Faigle, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve a gift of a Legacy Tapered Acoustical Shell to the Yorktown High School Music Department to improve the sound quality of concerts.

Cost to District: None (no installation necessary)

Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mr. Perrino to amend the previous motion to read “concerts, from the First Nighters of Yorktown”.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

The vote on the original motion as amended

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

Board of Education Comments:

Mrs. Harris referred to funds that were added to the Anti-Bullying program this year. She asked for some feedback as to how the money was spent. Discussion followed.

Mrs. Harris referred to the Negotiations Sub-committee. Both she and Mr. Miller were on it. She asked when it was changed and if it was done in public. Mrs. Harris asked that the Board meetings be checked as she would have voted against dismantling the committee. For the benefit of the public, Mrs. McCoy noted that a majority of the Board members wanted more input in the process. The committee had not been eliminated but was changed to include the entire Board.

In looking for \$18,000 for Anti-Bullying, Mr. Miller referred to a document generated after the failed budget. Mr. Cole will look into it. If funds were not included in the budget, Mr. Miller asked where the money would come from. He also asked when the Board of Education will get from administration a list of the former Consortium activities that the district will be taking responsibility for and the estimated expense. Dr. Bruno expects it will happen at a meeting in November.

Mr. Drexel requested of whoever is working for us doing activities, that the Yorktown Central School District be included and referenced in any publications.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Sherry Hughes asked questions about the composition of the Negotiations Committee as it relates to the participation of a particular Board member.

Jackie Carbone made comments regarding the Negotiations Committee, the Superintendent’s search, class size, the cost of the NYSSBA survey and where the money comes from.

Peter Bisaccia asked questions and made comments about the Finance Committee.

Cathy Russell commented on the good news to place on the web site. She was really pleased with the High School SAT scores.

The Board took a brief pause for a tape change at 10:43 p.m. to 10:45 p.m.

Tony Grasso made comments regarding the Finance Committee, collective bargaining and comments made by a previous speaker regarding a Board member.

Mrs. Harris feels the suggestion for the Finance Committee is a good one, but believes there needs to have people on the committee who think about the cost of education and the basic needs of our children. Discussion continued on the makeup of the committee.

Motion by Mr. Miller, seconded by Mrs. Faigle to adjourn the meeting.

6 aye 0 nay Motion carried

The meeting was adjourned at 10:56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Clerk