Ms. Lopez called a public meeting to order at 6:00 pm and immediately adjourned to Executive Session to discuss litigation, personnel, and negotiations issues. No formal action was taken. Ms. Lopez reopened to a public session meeting at 7:38 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Ms. Lopez thanked Mr. Lupo and Mrs. Doyle for their participation in the Audit Committee.

PUBLIC COMMENTS
Tom Corbia, 265 Putnam Avenue, expressed his desire along with dedicated graduates to start a booster club for soccer. Mr. Corbia said the first step would be to start a fund raising campaign to get a turf field for students to play on.

Shawna Krizan expressed her concern with the lack of enrichment programs at Park Avenue, the amount of sections in the Dual Language Academy, and the large number of male students vs. the number of females in the classroom.

Jeanine Sullivan, 210 Glen Avenue, expressed her concern with respect to the student overflow from the Dual Language Program. She asked: What is the policy, if any regarding the cap on the number of students in a class before consideration is made to opening another section? What is the current plan to deal with the overcrowding, not only Park Avenue but, all of Port Chester and what is the time frame for that action? And, why did Park Avenue School get two student transferred from JFK if it already has a crowded kindergarten?

Park Avenue School Annual Report
Mrs. Rosa Taylor, Principal presented the Park Avenue School’s annual report highlighting building demographics, staff retreats, strategic planning, full service community school initiatives, OASIS program, Dual Language Academy and what has been newly introduced the building.

Gina Terascio and Jeannine Tempesta, Co-Presidents of the Park Avenue PTO stated that there has been an increase in membership. Ms. Terascio highlighted the activities planned for the year and noted that the PTO continues to reach out to parents to improve communication.

Mrs. Taylor stated that staff remains committed to whole child education and recognized the staff and parents that came out this evening to show their support.

Mr. Johnson commended the staff at Park Avenue. He asked what tools are being used to track student achievement. He requested clarification between the current versus former math programs, and the co-teacher model versus the consultant model. Mrs. Taylor responded to Mr. Johnson’s inquiries.

Mrs. Brakewood stated that the Board as a whole is also concerned with class size and noted that the numbers are evening out. She also stated that the Board is addressing the Dual Language Program sectioning as well.

Mr. Dreves said that the Board is exploring all possibilities to alleviate space concerns.

Mrs. Capeci would like to obtain additional information from the Park Avenue parents about their concerns with the after school programming.

Ms. Lopez announced that Dr. Kliszus is meeting with the PT presidents once a month. She expects with the hiring of a new school community coordinator that additional programming can be explored. Mrs. Lopez expressed her concern regarding students that did not meet benchmarks and suggested that Mr. Fanelli explore extended day funding to accommodate students who may need additional academic assistance after school. She
also expressed concern with respect to the Dual language academy once a student transitions to middle school. Ms. Lopez stated that the Board is addressing enrollment and class size and stated that there is planning in place for next year’s enrollment. The kindergarten teachers were applauded for their hard work.

Dr. Kliszus thanked Mrs. Taylor for a comprehensive report.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci seconded by Ms. Lopez and carried the Board approved regular meeting minutes for August 31, 2011.

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci seconded by Mrs. Brakewood and carried the Board approved Work Session minutes for September 8, 2011.

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci seconded by Mrs. Brakewood and carried the Board approved Special Meeting minutes for September 15, 2011.

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci seconded by Mrs. Brakewood and carried the Board approved regular meeting minutes for September 21, 2011.

**RESOLUTIONS**

Upon motion by Mrs. Brakewood, seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried, the following resolution was approved:

A. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve the attendance to the following conference as noted below:

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<td>Margaret Rende</td>
<td>Sungard National User Group Conference – Training for CIO – Student Information System</td>
<td>10/5/11 - 10/8/11</td>
<td>$1,504.87 + applicable taxes &amp; tips</td>
<td>General</td>
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Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried, the following resolution was approved, Mrs. Brakewood abstaining from item #4

B. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District, at its discretion and in the best interest of the District, elects to forgo the written quote and bid requirements for the following professional service procurements in keeping with Policy 6700R – Purchasing Regulation.

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<td>SER of Westchester</td>
<td>21st Century After School Program- MS/HS</td>
<td>$30,000</td>
<td>9/1/11-6/30/12</td>
<td>21st Century MS/HS/Extended Day</td>
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<td>Clay Arts Center</td>
<td>21st Century After School Program- MS &amp; Elementary Schools</td>
<td>$12,520 (Increase)</td>
<td>9/1/11-6/30/12</td>
<td>21st Century MS/HS/Elementary</td>
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<td>Purchase College</td>
<td>21st Century After School Program- HS</td>
<td>$8,000</td>
<td>9/1/11-6/30/12</td>
<td>21st Century MS/HS/Extended Day</td>
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<td>Port Chester Council for the Arts</td>
<td>After School Programming – Community Schools Coordinator (ELC) Homeless Liaison – District-wide</td>
<td>$100,000 (Increase)</td>
<td>9/1/11-6/30/12</td>
<td>Extended Day/21st Century “Oasis”/Title I/ Council for the Arts</td>
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<td>Theracare</td>
<td>Applied Behavior Analysis Services – See Attachment</td>
<td>$60,000</td>
<td>9/1/11-6/30/12</td>
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Upon motion by Mrs. Brakewood, seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried, the following resolution was approved:

C. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District award a transportation contract for the 2011-2012 school year as noted below:

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<th>Always East Transportation Yonkers, NY</th>
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<td>Transportation of Port Chester – Rye Union Free School District students by Allways East</td>
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Transportation, Yonkers, New York on a One-Month Emergency Basis as follows: 1 Special Education wheelchair student and 1 Bus Monitor to Edison School, Port Chester, New York.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the number of children, buses, vans, monitors, or cost approved in each contract is subject to change in accordance with New York State Education Law and Commissioner’s Regulations.

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mrs. Brakewood and carried, the following resolution was approved:

D. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve the excess of one set (2 pieces) of soccer goals that are unable to be repaired.

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried, the following resolution was approved:

E. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve the Memorandum of Agreement between “the District” and the Port Chester Teachers Association for a 504 Chairperson Stipend.

Upon motion by Mr. Johnson, seconded by Mrs. Brakewood and carried, the following resolution was approved:

F. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve the Memorandum of Agreement between “the District” and the Port Chester Teachers Association for a Community School Coordinator hourly position.

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mr. Johnson and carried, the following resolution was approved:

G. RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve the Memorandum of Agreement between “the District” and the Port Chester Teachers Association for “The Challenge” Scholastic Competition Stipend.

SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT
Request for Action
Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mr. Dreves and carried, the Superintendent’s Request for Action was approved by the Board of Education. Resolved that,

1. The appointment at the June 29, 2011 board meeting of Julie Colangelo, Port Chester, New York, be amended to a two-year probationary appointment from a three-year probationary appointment as Elementary Teacher, at 94% of the 2010-2011 Teacher Salary Schedule, Step 4-Level 6, effective September 1, 2011 through August 31, 2013. We received confirmation of Ms. Colangelo’s previous tenure with the NYC Department of Education effective September 1, 2008. Ms. Colangelo received a B.A. Degree and a M.A.T. Degree from Manhattanville College. She received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment January 20, 2005. Her assignment remains at the Middle School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. She replaces Ashley Glod-Hayes.

2. Lauren Martinez, LaGrangeville, New York be approved as a Long Term Substitute Teacher Assistant to replace Kimberly Fanelli as Teacher Assistant at the High School effective October 3, 2011 through approximately November 25, 2011 at an anticipated daily rate of $100.

3. Jolie Vita, Port Chester, New York be approved as a Long Term Substitute Teacher to replace Shawna Squillace as Elementary Teacher at the John F. Kennedy School effective October 3, 2011 through approximately December 2, 2011 at an anticipated daily rate of $125.

4. Mark Santora be appointed as 21st Century Program Coordinator at the High School at an hourly rate of $73 not to exceed $20,000 for the 2011-2012 school year.

5. The following individuals be appointed to positions for the 2011-2012 school year:

- Allison Silverman  Extended Day After School Program Teacher – MS  $42 per hour
- Julie Colangelo  21st Century After School Program Teacher – MS  $42 per hour
- Maria O’Brien  Dual Language Program Teacher – Park Avenue School  $42 per hour
- Johaira Lara  Dual Language Program Teacher – Park Avenue  $42 per hour
- Yolanda Matos  Dual Language Program Teacher – Park Avenue  $42 per hour
Megan Fix  Dual Language Program Teacher – Park Avenue  42 per hour
Vanessa Sanchez  21st Century After School Program Teacher – Park  42 per hour
Mark Zizolfo  21st Century After School Program Teacher – Edison  42 per hour
Mirjana Lezaja  21st Century After School Program Teacher – Edison  42 per hour
Ingrid Gomez  21st Century After School Program Teacher Assistant  42 per hour
Jeanine Zaccara  21st Century After School Program Teacher – Edison  42 per hour
Francesce Cepeda  After School Program Teacher – Book Club – Edison  42 per hour
Diana Santiago  After School Program Teacher – Book Club – Edison  42 per hour
Erim Reynolds  21st Century After School Program Teacher – King Street  42 per hour
Michael Miceli  21st Century After School Program Teacher – JFK  42 per hour
Nancy Capparelli  21st Century After School Program Teacher – JFK  42 per hour
Cynthia Ponce  21st Century After School Program Teacher – JFK  42 per hour
Megan Meehan  21st Century After School Program Teacher – JFK  42 per hour
Sharla Kaufman  21st Century After School Program Teacher – HS  42 per hour
David Sheridan  21st Century After School Program Teacher – HS  42 per hour
Juan Sanchez  PSAT Proctor – High School  42 per hour
Linda Stelluti  Phonemic Awareness Curriculum Writer – District  42 per hour
Larissa Torres  Phonemic Awareness Curriculum Writer – District  42 per hour
Maura Webb  Phonemic Awareness Curriculum Writer – District  42 per hour
Diana Gonzalez  Breakfast Program Monitor – JFK ELC School  23 per hour
Lynn Mc’yre  Yearbook Advisor – Middle School 2,500
Laurie Halstead  Student Council Co-Advisor – Middle School  587.50
Jeannie Iantorno  Student Council Co-Advisor – Middle School  587.50
Juan Sanchez  Guidance Counselor Stipend – High School 4,409
Barry Backelman  Challenge Advisor – HS (stipend is per round-max of 4) 400
Alex Lepes  Challenge Advisor – HS (stipend is per round-max of 4) 400
Carrie Poulos  Mentor – Edison School 1,000
Lynne Burke  Mentor – Park Avenue School 1,000
Johaira Lara  Mentor – Park Avenue School 1,000
Aimie Sarkodie  Mentor – Park Avenue School 1,000
Sandra Castillo  Mentor – John F. Kennedy School 1,000
Melissa Coletti  Mentor – John F. Kennedy School 1,000
Beth Curley  Mentor – John F. Kennedy School 1,000
Judith Ravina  Mentor – John F. Kennedy School 1,000
Kristin Pascuzzi  Mentor – John F. Kennedy School –Mentoring 2 Teachers 1,000
Kristin Pascuzzi  Mentor – John F. Kennedy School –Mentoring 2 Teachers 1,000
Christie Truance  Mentor – King Street School 1,000
Barry Backelman  Mentor – High School 1,000
Andrea Davis  Mentor – High School 1,000
Laura DeChiara  Mentor – High School 1,000
Deborah Giacopelli  Mentor – High School 1,000
Maxwell Guido  Mentor – High School 1,000
Jeffrey Querfeld  Mentor – High School 1,000
Maria Recchia  Mentor – High School 1,000
George Straehle  Mentor – High School 1,000
Diane Vindas  Mentor – High School 1,000
Stacey Wolff  Mentor – High School 1,000
Suzanne Berlingo  Mentor – Middle School 1,000
Maria Figura  Mentor – Middle School 1,000
Christopher Halstead  Mentor – Middle School 1,000
Laurie Halstead  Mentor – Middle School 1,000
Alison Hembury  Mentor – Middle School 1,000
Jeannie Iantorno  Mentor – Middle School 1,000
Linda O’Connor  Mentor – Middle School 1,000
Janine Skelly  Mentor – Middle School 1,000
Aida Velez  Mentor – Middle School 1,000
Michael Watson  Mentor – Middle School 1,000

6. The following individuals be transferred on the Salary Schedule effective September 1, 2011:

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7. The following individuals be appointed Athletic Event Supervisors for the 2011-2012 school year at a stipend of $50 per school event and/or $25 per hour for Tournaments, providing the individual is not a member of the coaching staff for the particular event:

Melvin Calhoun
Omar Perez

8. The following individual receive in-service credit, as follows:

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<td>Enrique Tovar</td>
<td>Putting It All Together: A 5-Step Approach</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>Teacher Center</td>
<td>Summer ’10</td>
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<td>Margaret Conway</td>
<td>Educators Choice Awards/The Best Sites On the Web</td>
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<td>Creative Teacher</td>
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<td>David Chepiga</td>
<td>John D. Rockefeller: His Life And Times – and Archives</td>
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<td>Bedford Staff</td>
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<td>Barry Backelman</td>
<td>Extending Your Classroom Using Web 2.0 Tools</td>
<td>3</td>
<td>RTC Institute</td>
<td>Summer ’11</td>
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<td>Renee Aubry</td>
<td>Earth Science Outreach Program Workshop</td>
<td>2</td>
<td>SUNY-Oneonta</td>
<td>Summer ’11</td>
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9. The following individuals be approved to serve as Substitute Teachers/Teacher Assistants/Tutors/Interns/Student Teachers/Volunteers on an as-needed basis for the 2011-2012 school year. They are either Fingerprint Cleared, “Grandfathered” in or on a twenty day emergency basis:

David Yourman        Dean Wegweiser Laura Cirincione
Nicole Giordano      Melvin Calhoun Joseph Nardoni
Gregory Lico         Maribel Bautista Lisa Irby
Brittany Delfino     Angelica Kleyman Jennifer Flanigan
Kathleen Little      Steven Martinez Mark Silviotti

10. Antonia Como, Rye Brook, New York, be approved for a probationary appointment as Lunch Monitor, 3 hours/day, 10-months, at a rate of $10.50/hour, effective September 19, 2011. Her assignment is Edison School. Ms. Como received NYS Fingerprint Clearance on September 16, 2011.

11. Amend Item Number 7 of the September 21, 2011 Request for Action as follows: Isabel Huyhua, White Plains, New York, be approved for a provisional appointment as Secretary to School Principal – Spanish Speaking, ten-month, Step 3, 7.5 hours/day, effective October 3, 2011. Her assignment is Edison School. Mrs. Huyhua received NYS Fingerprint Clearance on September 20, 2011.

12. Eric Rios, Port Chester, New York, be approved for a probationary appointment as Office Assistant (Automated Systems) Spanish Speaking, 10-months, Step 1, 7.5 hours day, effective October 3, 2011. His assignment is John F. Kennedy’s Early Learning Center. Mr. Rios has been previously NYS Fingerprint cleared.

13. Amend Item Number 8 of the September 21, 2011 Request for Action as follows: Josina P. Correa, Port Chester, New York, be approved for a probationary appointment as ten-month Lunch Monitor, 3-hours/day, at a rate of $10.50/hour effective September 6, 2011. Her assignment is Edison School. Mrs. Correa received NYS Fingerprint Clearance on September 6, 2011.

14. The resignation of Jeanette Stever, Library Clerk, Edison School, be accepted effective the end of business on September 16, 2011. Mrs. Stever will be Edison School’s After-School Program Coordinator.
15. Amend Item No. 13 of the September 21, 2011 Request for Action as follows:

  Gloria Wang Teacher Aide $20/hour

16. The following people be appointed to After-School Programs for the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District. All have received NYS Fingerprint Clearance.

  Gloria Marin Teacher Aide $20/hour
  Patricia Perez Teacher Aide $20/hour
  Josina Correia Teacher Aide $20/hour

  Pamela Mutino Teacher Aide $20/hour


18. The following individuals be approved as Custodial Worker, Teacher Aide, or Clerical Substitutes at a rate of $10.50/hour. All have received NYS Fingerprint Clearance.

  Robert Grant – Effective September 6, 2011
  Alma Hartnack – Effective October 7, 2011
  Roberto Morel – Effective September 16, 2011
  Giovanni Pena – Effective October 14, 2011
  Susan Thornton-Smith – Effective September 19, 2011
  Karen Wynn – Effective October 14, 2011

19. The Temporary appointment of Yasmin Orozco as Secretary to Elementary School Principal, Edison School, at a rate of $19.04/hour on a part-time available basis, be extended to October 7, 2011. Her assignment is Edison School.

20. Yasmin Orozco, Port Chester, New York, be appointed on a part-time temporary basis as Typist, at a rate of $18.77/hour, effective October 11, 2011 – October 28, 2011. Her assignment is Port Chester High School.

21. The Budget Transfer in the amount of $26,228.24, Schedule #4 dated October 7, 2011 be approved for the 2011-2012 school year.

22. The following General Fund Payrolls be approved:

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<td>September 23, 2011</td>
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23. The following General Fund Bill Schedule, including in-between checks, be approved:

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<td>October 13, 2011</td>
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24. The following Special Aid Fund Bill Schedule, dated October 13, 2011, be approved for payment:

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<td>Summer Tuition 2011/2012</td>
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<td>PL94-142</td>
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<td>Retroactive Summer Tuition 2010/2011</td>
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21st Century 23,055.38  
21st Century OASIS 41,519.00  
Council for the Arts 43,903.90  

25. The following payrolls for the Special Aid Program, be approved:

   September 23, 2011 $72,627.04  
   October 7, 2011  $91,484.23  

BOARD OF EDUCATION ISSUES

a. Verizon Grant
   Mr. Fanelli announced that the Verizon Grant has been received and the District will be moving forward with implementation of programming.

b. DARE Program
   The Board discussed running the DARE Program for the 2011-2012 school year, the shared funding with the Village, and an evaluation process to obtain the impact on the children from the program.

c. Committee/Liaison Updates
   Mrs. Capeci and Ms. Lopez met with the Village Manager and Mayor of Port Chester to discussed renewing the memorandum of understanding with respect to the Thomas Edison School playground and the DARE Program. Mrs. Capeci and Mr. Johnson met with the Blind Brook School District.

BOARD OF EDUCATION ROUNDTABLE/COMMENTS

Mr. Dreves attended homecoming and expressed how fantastic it was.

Mrs. Brakewood stated how pleased she was at the wonderful condition of the buildings during her walkthrough. She attended “Rachel’s Challenge” and offered Kudos to the Tamarack Tower Foundation for funding it.

Mr. Johnson noted that he made his rounds of the high school during dismissal and commended the staff and students for being well organized. Mr. Johnson attended “Rachel’s Challenge” and suggested consideration in the budget in anticipation of anti-bullying laws taking effect in the future.

Mrs. Lopez attended homecoming and mentioned that the Kawanis Club will be hosting a pumpkin festival. She reminded the public to check the website and sign up to receive the Spotlight publication.

Dr. Kliszus attended the pep rally and the NBC Education Nation Summit which was a reminder to all our American leaders how important education programs are and the need to invest in our public schools and our children.

There being no further business at 9:38 p.m., upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mr. Dreves and carried, the Board adjourned the meeting.

Jennifer M. Bisaccia, District Clerk