

Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District
Board of Education – Regular Meeting Minutes
November 15, 2016 - Thomas A. Edison Elementary School

Present: James Dreves, President; Christopher Wolff, Vice President; and Trustees Anne Capeci and Carolee Brakewood

Also Present: Dr. Edward A. Kliszus, Superintendent of Schools; Maura J. McAward, Assistant Superintendent for Business; Joseph Durney, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel/Grants; Coleen Kotzur, Treasurer and Cathy A. Maggi, District Clerk

Absent: Robert Johnson, Trustee

Call to Order

Mr. Dreves called a public meeting to order at 7:08 p.m. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

President's Opening Remarks

Mr. Dreves welcomed everyone and said he was happy to be at Edison School. We will have a report from Edison School and a report on water quality testing which was required in every NYS district.

Thomas A. Edison School Report

Ivan Tolentino, Principal of Thomas A. Edison School delivered his state of the school address. PILAR is Edison's program for parents to help them to assist their children and better their lives. Edison was the only school in New York selected for this PIQE program. Mr. Tolentino recognized Maria Flores, Carmen Parker, Gloria Marin, Vilma Regueira and Christine Galindo as the staff members responsible for this program. The children were recognized for their participation in the One World Club, along with their advisor, Kelly Brucale.

Mr. Tolentino recognized Wanda Cruz-Shenkman, Teacher; Mary Durney, Teacher; Sandy Iasillo, Computer Aide, Ellen Telep, Teacher; and Anthony Sabia, Teacher for each of their over 25 years of service. He thanked them and his entire staff for all of their efforts for the children.

Board members and Dr. Kliszus congratulated Mr. Tolentino on the presentation and on the good work going on at Edison School. Staff, parents and children were also congratulated.

Five minute break at 7:56 p.m. Meeting was called back to order at 8:08 p.m.

Public Comment

Mr. Dreves opened the floor to public comment. There being no one to address the board, public comment was closed.

Report From Superintendent

Request for Action

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mrs. Brakewood and carried, the resolutions were approved (4-0):

The Superintendent recommends action on the following matters. Resolved that

1. The resignation of Josie Quijada, Special Education Teacher at John F. Kennedy School be accepted effective November 22, 2016.

2. The appointment of Diana Berrios, Stratford, Connecticut at the August 26, 2015 board meeting be amended from a four-year probationary appointment to a three-year probationary appointment as Elementary Teacher, at Step 8-Level 6 of the 2011-2015 Teachers Salary Agreement, effective September 1, 2015 through August 31, 2018, except to the extent required by Section 3012-d of the Education Law.* Ms. Berrios received a B.S. Degree from Mercy College and a M.S. from Touro College. Ms. Berrios received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment August 18, 2015. Her assignment will be at Park Avenue School and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. Her certifications are Childhood Education (Grades 1-6), Professional Certification; Bilingual Education, Professional Extension, Students with Disabilities (Birth-Grade 2), Professional Certification and ESL Professional Certification. Verification of tenure and APPR scores in his previous district were received.

*** In order to be granted tenure, a classroom teacher must receive composite or overall annual professional performance review ratings pursuant to Education Law §3012-c and/or §3012-d of either effective or highly effective in at least 3 of the 4**

preceding years. Further, if the classroom teacher receives an ineffective composite or overall rating in the final year of the probationary period he/she shall not be eligible for tenure at that time, in which case the Board of Education, in its discretion, may extend the teacher’s probationary term for an additional year.

3. Michael Miceli, Stamford, Connecticut be approved as a Long Term Leave Replacement/Temporary Assignment to replace Robert Vitti as Music Teacher at the High School, beginning approximately November 7, 2016 until further notice. There will be no change in his current salary.
4. Madeline Rende, Port Chester, New York be approved as a Long Term Leave Replacement/Temporary Assignment to replace Michael Miceli as Music Teacher at the King Street and John F. Kennedy Schools, beginning approximately November 7, 2016 until further notice at an anticipated daily rate of \$125 per day after 20 days and \$150/day after 60 days.
5. A Maternity Leave of Absence be granted to Nadia Papa, Thornwood, New York as Special Education Teacher at John F. Kennedy School, beginning approximately November 28, 2016 through January 31, 2017. Mrs. Papa will use accumulated sick leave during the time her doctor attests to her inability to perform her duties due to pregnancy, delivery and self-care. The remainder of her Leave of Absence will be a Family Medical Leave without pay; but benefits will continue to a maximum of 12 weeks.
6. Ornella Salza, Eastchester, New York be approved as a Long Term Substitute Teacher to replace Nadia Papa as Special Education Teacher at John F. Kennedy School, beginning approximately November 28, 2016 through January 31, 2017 at an anticipated daily rate of \$125 per day after 20 days and \$150/day after 60 days if applicable.
7. A Maternity Leave of Absence be granted to Erica Rice, New Rochelle, New York as Elementary Teacher at Edison School, beginning approximately November 28, 2016 through June 30, 2017. Mrs. Rice will use accumulated sick leave during the time her doctor attests to her inability to perform her duties due to pregnancy, delivery and self-care. The remainder of her Leave of Absence will be a Family Medical Leave without pay; but benefits will continue to a maximum of 12 weeks.
8. Stacey Malley, Rye Brook, New York be approved for a partial leave replacement appointment as Elementary Teacher, at Step 1-Level 6 of the 2015-2019 Teachers Collectively Negotiated Agreement, effective November 28, 2016 through June 30, 2017. Ms. Malley received a B.A. Degree from Dartmouth College and a M.A.T. from Manhattanville College. Ms. Malley received NYS Fingerprint Clearance for Employment September 3, 2013. Her assignment will be at Edison Street and will include participation in designated school related organizational activities. Her certifications are Childhood Education (Grades 1-6) - Initial Certification, Early Childhood Education (Birth-Grade 2) – Initial Certification, Students with Disabilities (Grades 1-6) - Initial Certification, and Students with Disabilities (Birth-Grade 2) – Initial Certification.
9. The appointment at the August 31, 2016 Board Meeting of Mario Coronado, East Meadows, New York as a Long Term Substitute School Counselor to replace Maria Somers as School Counselor at the High School, beginning approximately September 1, 2016 through September 30, 2016 be extended through approximately January 31, 2016. There will be no change in his current salary.
10. The following individual(s) be appointed to position(s) for the 2016-2017 school year:

Vilma Regueira	Title III Immigrant Education Teacher – Edison School	\$42 per hour
Aisha Lopez	NYSESLAT Administration Facilitator – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Gina Samaniego	NYSESLAT Administration Facilitator – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Diana Berrios	NYSESLAT Administration Facilitator – Park Avenue School	42 per hour
Claudia Levy	NYSESLAT Administration Facilitator – King Street School	42 per hour
Jamie Rubino	NYSESLAT Administration Facilitator – JFK ELC School	42 per hour
Dan Davis	Athletic Coordinator – Spring Season	4,000
Allison Silverman	Garden Coordinator – Middle School	3,000
Jennifer Mundo	Garden Coach – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Karla Purcell	Garden Coach – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Corey Crane	Physical Education Teacher – Athletic Trainer	42 per hour
Kate Albero	Garden Coach – John F. Kennedy School	42 per hour
Jesse Fernandez	National English Honor Society Co-Advisor – High School – be rescinded	
Barry Backelman	National English Honor Society Advisor – High School	618
Aaron Newcome	Sophomore Class Advisor – High School	618
Michael Miceli	Jazz Band Director – High School	2,250

Eddie Martinez	Varsity Baseball Head Coach	\$5,876
James Puma	Modified Baseball "B" Head Coach	3,253
John Cafaldo	Varsity Assistant Baseball Coach	2,473
Robert Thalheimer	Boys Baseball Assistant Coach	2,473
Jeanine Maiolini	Varsity Softball Head Coach	5,876
Dee Ostrowski	Varsity Softball Assistant Head Coach	2,473
Jamie Florindi	Junior Varsity Softball Head Coach	3,873
Ann Rose Santoro	Girls Softball Assistant Coach	2,473
Nick Mancuso	Varsity Boys Spring Track & Field Head Coach	4,750
Danny Alvarado	Varsity Girls Spring Track & Field Head Coach	4,750
Cindy Martinez	Varsity Boys/Girls Spring Track Assistant Coach	3,128
Gareth Gibbs	Modified Boys/Girls Spring Track & Field Head Coach	3,128
Peter Bisceglia	Golf Head Coach	2,229
Craig Holcomb	Varsity Boys Tennis Coach	3,001

11. The following individuals be approved to serve as Substitute Teachers/Teacher Assistants/Tutors/Interns/Student Teachers/Volunteers on an as-needed basis for the 2016-2017 school year. They are either Fingerprint Cleared, "Grandfathered" in or on a twenty day emergency basis:

Rose Pueraro	David Litzky	Eric Hinz
Heather Resnick	Chakula Corry	

12. The following individual(s) be appointed Athletic Event Supervisor(s) for the 2016-2017 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: Janelle Carroll
13. Girolama Calogero, Greenwich, Connecticut, having performed her duties in a competent, efficient and satisfactory manner, be granted permanent status as Teacher Aide (10 months, 6 hours/day) John F. Kennedy Magnet School Special Education, effective December 7, 2016.
14. A Military Leave of Absence be granted to Jarren Gooden, Mt. Vernon, New York, Custodial Worker, Port Chester Middle School, for approximately one year, effective December 15, 2016. Mr. Gooden will be paid his current salary for the first 22 work days of his leave. The remainder of said leave will be without pay, and Mr. Gooden will be responsible for monthly health insurance contributions until which time he returns to his position as Custodial Worker. This Military Leave of Absence will not affect Mr. Gooden's scheduled step increase for the 2017-2018 school year.
15. Amend Item Number 27 from the September 27, 2016 Request for Action as follows:
A Maternity Leave of Absence be granted to Kristy Fiscella, Port Chester, New York, as Teacher Aide at Thomas A. Edison School, beginning October 31, 2016 through December 13, 2016. Mrs. Fiscella will use accumulated sick leave during the time her doctor attests to her inability to perform her duties due to pregnancy, delivery and self-care. Following her Maternity Leave of Absence, Mrs. Fiscella has requested a Leave of Absence without pay from December 14, 2016 – March 31, 2017.
16. Amend Item Number 23 from the October 25, 2016 Request for Action as follows:
Patricia Perez, Port Chester, New York, be approved for a partial leave replacement appointment as Teacher Aide, Step 1, Grade III, effective October 31, 2016 through March 31, 2017. Her assignment will be Thomas A. Edison School Special Education.
17. The resignation of Jose Aguilar, Port Chester, New York, Custodial Worker, King Street School, be accepted at the end of business on October 26, 2016.
18. The following individuals be approved as Clerical, Teacher Aide, Lunch Monitor, Hall Monitor or Breakfast Monitor Substitutes at a rate of \$12/hour effective November 16, 2016 – June 30, 2017. Said appointees may also serve as long-term substitutes, if and when required, at step 1 of the Teacher Aide or Typist CSEA pay scales. All have received NYS Fingerprint Clearance or are grandfathered.
Algernon Foust, Jr.
Bethshabe (Betsy) Pacheco (Effective 10/31/16)
Thomas Vitale at a rate of \$16.75/hour Effective 11/2/16-12/9/16

19. The following individuals be approved as Cleaner Substitutes at a rate of \$12.00/hour effective November 16, 2016 –June 30, 2017. Said appointees may also serve as long-term substitutes, if and when required, at Step 1 of the Cleaner pay scales. All have received NYS Fingerprint Clearance or are grandfathered.
 Algernon Foust, Jr.
 Donald Larossi (night shift only)
20. The Budget Transfer in the amount of \$80,298.39, Schedule #7 dated November 10, 2016, be approved for the 2016-2017 school year.
21. Warrant #11 including in-between checks, dated November 8, 2016, be approved:
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| General Fund | \$1,331,169.28 |
| Federal Fund | 146,306.17 |
| Cafeteria Fund | 3,361.30 |
| Trust & Agency Fund | 880,687.75 |
| Capital Fund | 7,854.00 |
22. Warrant #10, including in-between checks, dated October 25, 2016, be approved:
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| General Fund | \$789,036.66 |
| Federal Fund | 61,367.64 |
| Cafeteria Fund | 754.00 |
23. The following payrolls be approved:
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| General Fund – November 4, 2016 | \$2,051,766.12 |
| Federal Fund – November 4, 2016 | 89,505.35 |

Dr. Klizus then gave a summary report on the lead testing in the water. The Governor mandated that water in all of the New York State Schools be tested. The full report is on the website. Everyone should be comfortable that we are in compliance with the law.

Acceptance of Donation

Upon motion by Mrs. Brakewood and seconded by Mr. Wolff and carried (4-0), the donation of office furniture valued at \$9,721 by eScholar LLC was accepted unanimously.

Treasurer's Report

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mrs. Brakewood, and carried, the September 2016 Treasurer's Report was passed unanimously (4-0).

Port Chester - Rye Union Free School District							
<u>TREASURERS REPORT</u>							
September 30, 2016							
		GENERAL	SPECIAL AID	CAFETERIA	CAPITAL	TRUST	ALL FUNDS
BOOK BALANCE							
BEGINNING OF MONTH		9,047,024.24	1,143,084.70	579,542.93	(105,919.64)	497,527.83	11,161,260.06
	<u>Receipts</u>						
	Revenues	5,125,241.37	35691.77	29,181.06	8.40	11,145.82	
	Interfund Transfers	550,000.00			200,000.00		
	Sales Tax Receipts			61.32			
	Reimbursement of Expense	457,174.87					
	Accounts Receivable	161.00					
	Total Receipts	6,132,577.24	35,691.77	29,242.38	200,008.40	11,145.82	6,408,665.61
	<u>Disbursements</u>						
	Warrant #6	52,449.97	26,537.75	900.00	3,274.69		
	Warrant #7	1,485,598.13	85,241.04	3,112.77	2,499.00	11,126.40	
	Warrant #8	(16,439.71)					
	Warrant #10						
	Payroll 9/09/2016	2,286,675.31	91,276.93	1,054.17			
	Payroll 9/23/2016	2,301,580.05	94,386.16	2,326.42		17.64	
	Sales Tax Payable						
	Accounts Payable	13265					
	Interfund transfers	200,000.00	550,000.00				
	Total Disbursements	6,323,128.75	847,441.88	7,393.36	5,773.69	11,144.04	7,194,881.72
	BOOK BALANCE						
	END OF MONTH	8,856,472.73	331,334.59	601,391.95	88,315.07	497,529.61	10,375,043.95
		GENERAL	SPECIAL AID	CAFETERIA	CAPITAL	TRUST	ALL FUNDS
CASH - BANK BALANCES	Rates						
Bank of America	0.000%						
Chase Bank	0.070%		67,141.49	363,646.24	64,116.03	200,474.59	
TD Bank	0.250%	277,501.40					
Wells Fargo	0.006%						
Hudson Valley Bank	0.050%	2,477.66					
Webster Bank	0.307%	294,729.99	6,191.78			2,662.11	
PC Credit Union	0.250%					157,758.94	
Peoples United Bank	0.300%	1,435,663.04	88,254.45				
MBIA - C.L.A.S.S.	0.305%	4,759,943.41	169,746.87	237,745.71	24,199.04		
Scholarship Invest	varies					136,633.97	
Signature Bank	0.300%	2,086,157.23					
TOTAL CASH - BANK BALANCES		8,856,472.73	331,334.59	601,391.95	88,315.07	497,529.61	10,375,043.95
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						10/25/2016	
Coleen Kotzur, District Treasurer						Date	

Action Items

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mrs. Brakewood and carried, the resolution was unanimously approved (4-0):

- A. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District (District) hereby approves the terms of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) dated November 9, 2016, between the District and Manhattanville College for the 2016-2017 school year.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is authorized to execute said agreement.

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mr. Wolff and carried, the resolution was unanimously approved (4-0):

- B. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District (District) hereby approves the terms of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) dated November 15, 2016, between the District and Carver Center regarding a 2017-2022 New York State 21st Century Learning Centers Grant application.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is authorized to execute said agreement.

Consent Agenda

Upon motion by Mrs. Capeci, seconded by Mr. Wolff and carried, the items A-F of the consent agenda were unanimously approved (4-0), with the exception of Mrs. Brakewood abstaining from consent agenda item B-2:

- A. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education amends Resolution A dated September 27, 2016 for Transportation Contracts for the 2016-2017 school year as noted below.

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approve the following Transportation Contracts for the 2016-2017 school year as noted below.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the President of the Board of Education is authorized to execute said contracts. 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.

TLC Transportation Yonkers, NY	In an amount not to exceed \$876,443
<p>Transportation of Port Chester - Rye Union Free School District students as follows: Two students to the French American School, Scarsdale, in an amount not to exceed \$34,920, two students to The Harvey School in an amount not to exceed \$39,420, one student to Montfort Academy in an amount not to exceed \$31,760, one student and one monitor to Andrus School in an amount not to exceed \$44,820, eight students and two monitors to Mt. Pleasant/Valhalla/Pleasantville schools in an amount not to exceed \$120,880; five students and one monitor to Dobbs Ferry/Irvington/Hastings schools in an amount not to exceed \$44,270, two students and one shared monitor to Eastchester schools in an amount not to exceed \$32,580, one wheelchair student, one student and one monitor to Putnam Northern Westchester BOCES Pinesbridge in an amount not to exceed \$50,400; eight students and 2 monitors to Rye Lake Campus and one student to Rochambeau Alternative High School in an amount not to exceed \$80,748; three students and one monitor to Pocantico Hills schools in an amount not to exceed \$41,544; three wheelchair students, six students, and 2 monitors to Tappan Hill Elementary School in an amount not to exceed \$110,410; six students and one monitor to St. Matthews in an amount not to exceed \$43,560; one wheelchair student, one student and one shared monitor to United Cerebral Palsy of Westchester in an amount not to exceed \$33,661; one student to Westchester Exceptional Children in an amount not to exceed \$48,810; one student and one monitor to Rye Midland School in an amount not to exceed \$39,520; one student from New York School for the Deaf (after-school sports) in an amount not to exceed \$10,000; three students to The Masters School in an amount not to exceed \$17,860; IDT BOCES (number of students vary according to need) in an amount not to exceed \$10,000; Port Chester Hourly (estimated) in an amount not to exceed \$15,000; and St. Vincent’s (number of students vary according to need) in an amount not to exceed \$26,280.</p>	

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

	Name	Conference	Dates	Amount	Funded
1	Nicolas Arnel (student)	NYSBDA Symposium - State Middle School Honor Concert Band	March 3-5, 2017	\$205 + applicable tips and taxes	General Fund
2	William Brakewood (student)	NYSBDA Symposium - State Middle School Honor Concert Band	March 3-5, 2017	\$290 + applicable tips and taxes	General Fund
3	Lauren Pellegrini (student)	NYSBDA Symposium - State Middle School Honor Concert Band	March 3-5, 2017	\$290 + applicable tips and taxes	General Fund
3	Linda McDermott	NYSBDA Symposium - State Middle School Honor Concert Band	March 3-5, 2017	\$760.99 + applicable tips and taxes	General Fund
4	Christine Rascona	Fountas and Pinnell School Leaders Seminar	June 27-29, 2017	\$2,240 + applicable tips and taxes	General Fund

- C. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District approve the following program for the 2016-2017 school year:

	Vendor	Function	Rate	Not to Exceed	Fund
1	Port Chester Carver Center	Parent Involvement Program	Ana Caceros - \$15/hour Gloria Marin - \$37.50/hour	\$2,000	Title I

- D. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District excess the following:

MANUFACTURER	MODEL NUMBER/SERIAL NUMBER	INVENTORY TAG NUMBER	REASON
One Victoria Freezer	FA-1D-S7-HD/ J0171490	101103 and 200039	Beyond Useful Life / Repair
Two Stainless Steel Tables	N/A	104133 (only one table has a control number)	Beyond Useful Life / Repair
One (1) Butcher Block Table, 8'x4'	N/A	104138	Beyond Useful Life / Repair
Signature Series 27 Laminator	N/A	20150780	Beyond Useful Life / Repair
5 Food and Nutrition Science FOSS kits	N/A	N/A	Outdated Materials
5 Model and Design Science FOSS Kits	N/A	N/A	Outdated Materials

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Purchasing Agent is directed to discard or sell the equipment in accordance with Board of Education Policy 6900.

- E. **WHEREAS**, pursuant to the requirement of Education Law Section 3012-c and Part 30-2.9 of the Rules of the Board of Regents, the individuals named below have completed all the necessary training to be certified/recertified as lead evaluators of classroom teachers;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District hereby certifies/recertifies the following individual as lead evaluator of classroom teachers:

Elsy Zizolfo

- F. **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Port Chester-Rye Union Free School District authorize the School District Treasurer to complete budgetary transfers and pay bill schedules and payrolls for all funds. Said transactions will be approved by the Board of Education at the first available board meeting.

Board of Education Roundtable / Discussion

Mr. Dreves noted that the newly formed Bond Advisory Committee has finalized their suggested bond solutions. The Committee expects to give us their recommendations by November 23rd, and it is anticipated that the board will meet on November 29th to discuss the recommendations of the Committee.

Mrs. Capeci mentioned that Mr. Richard Esposito was here and that he wanted to present to the board. He is going to come to the next meeting. Dr. Klizsus and Mr. Dreves had previously met with Mr. Esposito but it was determined that it was up to the Bond Committee to look at his concepts. Mr. Esposito's plans were sent to the BAC (Bond Advisory Committee) for review.

Mr. Wolff went to the King Street School Veteran's Day Celebration attended by many veterans and other community members. A grandfather showed up in his uniform, which the students thought was very cool. He acknowledged Manhattanville College and Carver Center for all that they do for our schools. There are many other organizations from whose generosity we benefit.

Mrs. Capeci gave a shout out to her brother-in-law, Frank Capeci, who recently turned 98 years old. He went to our schools and he and his friends joined the army with friends and went to the war together.

Mrs. Brakewood attended the King Street School Veteran's Day ceremony. She also attended a Westchester Putnam Dinner last night along with Dr. Klizsus and others. The fall play at the High School is this weekend and entitled an Evening with Edgar Allan Poe. There is an author's event at John F. Kennedy School. She wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Mr. Dreves apologized for not attending the King Street School Veteran's Day celebration. There is a Village liaison meeting scheduled for early December. Many items on both sides will be discussed: the School Bond, hospital project update, housing, and parking issues. The football season was very successful and Mr. Dreves congratulated the football team and coaches. They wound up 6-4, beating White Plains and Mamaroneck. The Harlem Wizards will be at the Middle School on December 1st, and it will be a great show as they are playing faculty and administrators. He also mentioned the High School play and encouraged everyone in the community to come out to the play and to the Harlem Wizards game. Don't forget the Tamarack Tower Turkey Trot on Thanksgiving morning. Happy Thanksgiving!

Dr. Klizus met with the clergy, which has many new clergy members. They talked about the best interests and the welfare of the children in the community. They are also planning the Martin Luther King celebration in January. Dr. Klizus mentioned advocacy and signing the on-line petition. He noted that legislators are talking about the focus this year to be on foundation aid. Dr. Klizus wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Capeci mentioned how Port Chester and the people in it are special. Many of the churches have hot meals for the people in Port Chester and Holy Rosary has a Thanksgiving Dinner. She wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving. Dr. Klizus agreed that Port Chester is special place with heart, generosity and kindness.

The next board meeting will be held at 7 p.m. on December 13th at Park Avenue School. There may be a special meeting on November 29th at 7 p.m. at the Middle School.

There being no further business at 8:31 p.m., upon motion by Mr. Wolff, seconded by Mrs. Brakewood and carried (4-0), the Board adjourned the meeting.