

**SPECIAL MEETING – WORK SESSION
HUNTINGTON UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
OCTOBER 22, 2007**

The Special Work Session Meeting of the Board of Education of the Huntington Union Free School District was held on Monday, October 22, 2007, at Huntington Intermediate School, Lowndes Avenue, Huntington Station, NY 11746. Mr. McGrath called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

ROLL CALL

There were present Board of Education Members: Black, Collyer, Lee, McGrath, Paci, Rogan, Superintendent Finello, Messrs. Giani, Grackin, O'Brien, and Mrs. Troffa.

EMERGENCY EVACUATION PROCEDURE

Mr. McGrath discussed the exits to be used in the event of any emergency.

SMOKE-FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Mr. McGrath announced that the Huntington Union Free School District is a smoke-free district and smoking is prohibited in all buildings and on school grounds.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. McGrath led the Board of Education and those others present in the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

OPENING REMARKS

Mr. McGrath explained that this meeting is a Work Session Board Meeting with one item on the agenda. Public commentary will be limited to this agenda item and would take place after the Board members finished their discussion.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/ACTION

Facilities

Extensive discussion took place between Board members and Administration reviewing the options available as presented by the architects, Burton, Behrendt, and Smith.

Discussion also encompassed pursuing Eminent Domain in regard to the Touro Building. It was decided to meet with a lawyer from Guercio and Guercio, the school district's attorneys, for consultation.

PUBLIC COMMENTARY

At the portion of the meeting set aside for questions and comments from the public, numerous district residents and an employee had comments regarding overcrowding in the buildings, portable classrooms, traffic problems at Finley, moving Central Administration out of Huntington Intermediate, trying to acquire Touro, and redistricting. Discussion followed some comments and questions were answered as they came up.

ADJOURNMENT

A MOTION was made by Mrs. Collyer and seconded by Mr. Lee to adjourn the meeting.

At 10:25 p.m. the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Elizabeth Troffa
District Clerk