variables. He reported that the SAT scores for our salutatorians between the years 2002-2008 were between 1290 and 2150. He announced that all of this information addressed this evening was available as a hand-out and on the web (under the Board of Education) for anyone who was interested.

- Mr. Chu announced that he recently watched the defending state champion high school mock trial team vs. Harborfields, which resulted in another undefeated season for our students. The team will go into the county eliminations vs. West Islip at County District Court.
- The District Transportation Committee presented its recommendations to the Board of Education. The committee presented a proposal to the Board to include a transportation referendum on the ballot with the school budget vote. The referendum, if approved, would include: elimination of temporary bus passes and institute a uniform mileage eligibility for all grades within a school (Kindergarten all ride; elementary grades 1-5: ½ mile; EIMS grades 6-8: ½ mile; and, SHS grades 9-12: one mile). This would permit 673 more students the opportunity to ride a bus. This would involve three additional buses at an approximate cost of \$195,000 or approximately \$289.75 per student per year and a .054% tax rate increase. The Board thanked the committee and said they would review the proposal and get back to the committee. The transportation committ

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: IV.) Motion by Mrs. Phillips to approve the Board of Education Business Meeting Minutes of February 10, 2009, pp. 41-45; Seconded by

ESTABLISHMENT OF A RETIREMENT CONTRIBUTION RESERVE FUND: d) Motion by Mrs. Lyons to approve the following resolution:

**RESOLVED**, that in accordance with the provisions of Section 6-r of the General Municipal Law, the Board of Education hereby establishes an Employee Retirement Contribution Reserve Fund and approves the initial funding of said reserve by a transfer of unreserved fund balance from the 2008-2009 fiscal year pursuant to further resolution of the Board; Seconded by Mr. Reed and unanimously approved.

ACTUARIAL & TECHNICAL SOLUTIONS, INC.: e) Motion by Mr. Reed to approve the following resolution:

BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF EDUCATION of the East Islip School District approve the proposal for actuarial services beingsal f8ssolution:

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The Board of Education hereby ratifies the Memorandum of Agreement between the East

implementing an early retirement incentive for those teachers who meet the eligibility requirements and who retire on or before June 30, 2009; and, whereas the Board of Education authorizes the Board President to execute the said Memorandum of Agreement. Seconded by

report of overpayment to the district for which the district owes money back. That figure is 1,675,306. The district had estimated 1,674,548 a difference of \$758.00.

NEW BUSINESS: VII. a. Mrs. Maya Mordkovich, resident of Central Islip and parent of a four year old, requested that the district accept her child to our schools. She stated that when she had her house built she was led to believe that the house was within the East Islip School District boundaries; however, it turns out that she is 200 feet away from the district. Mr. Lamm responded that, although he sympathizes with Mrs. Mordkovich, district policy does not allow students to enroll on a tuition basis. However, he invited Mrs. Mordkovich to submit her letter to the district clerk and advised that she contact the construction company or builder of her home for proof of her residence advisement. Mr. Chu thanked Mrs. Mordkovich for having the courage to come before the Board and administration and for wanting to enroll in our district. Mr. Chu said that he would look into the matter and that dialog would have to take place with the Central Islip School District and possibly the Town of Islip.

- c. Kevin Boyle, President of the United Public Employees Union for the custodial unit, spoke on behalf of its members in the East Islip School District. He stated that it has been twenty
  . He stated that the members provide a high level of service to the district and deserve a fair contract and asked the Board to grant the necessary authorization tonight for a fair agreement.
- d. Ann Ceriello, representative from the John F. Kennedy PTA, extended an invitation for all to atte PTA Dinner/Dance on April 24, 2009, at 7:00 p.m., at the Sayville Country Club. The evening is called *Grooving through the Times*, and begins at 7:00 p.m.
- e. Mrs. Ferrara asked how much money was involved in the start up of the new retirement contribution reserve fund to which Mrs. Phillips responded zero. She asked what the cost was for the transportation consultant, which was \$3,000, which is aidable. She asked for the f it would cost money.

Mr. Chu responded that there is always a cost to offer a retirement incentive but that the anticipated savings through retirements will help the district in the long run. He said the MOAs would be available under the Freedom of Inf