

in the SYCOM arbitration matter. These fees shall be based on the current contract rate of \$100 per hour for the hours expended by the attorney on this SYCOM litigation only.

Answering Mr. Mueller's question as to how this came about, Dr. Nicastro explained that the current contract with the current attorney is for litigation with the \$15,000 money amount placed on litigation. In that contract in the event a need came up for an extenuating matter over and above that amount of money, the attorney would have the right to come to the Board, explain the situation and the board would have the right to extend that litigation matter and the fees associated with it.

Under Personnel Teaching, Dr. Aragona announced his retirement and indicated that the motion is for the Board of Education to approve his letter of retirement and record the effective retirement date as April 1, 1994. Mr. Pannucci read Dr. Aragona's retirement letter. Mr. Pannucci reviewed, for the record, the unused vacation days and accumulated sick days for Dr. Aragona. In addition, he reviewed the documentation of these days and reviewed vacation documentation that was submitted to the Board several weeks ago for each central office administrator.

*Dr. Louis
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Motion was made by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Celentano, and carried unanimously by roll call vote to accept Dr. Aragona's letter of retirement effective April 1, 1994.

The procedure of transition would be the Personnel Committee meeting and then coming back to the Board with a recommendation. In the interim, Central Administration would handle the superintendent's responsibilities until another superintendent was appointed. Several Board members expressed their regret that Dr. Aragona was retiring and expressed some very positive comments on all that he has accomplished for the district and for the children.