On a motion made by Mary Paradise seconded by Bob Schiferle the meeting was called to order at 4:41 pm.

Several questions were proposed:

What are the benefits of a better education, How do we define it?
What would be the renovation costs to remodel?
We are the shared positions between the middle school and high school?
What do other schools have to offer?
What schools are interested in accepting our students?
What happens to students who are already out of district placements?
What about Average Daily Membership?
What about enrollments?
What about busing and transportation?
What do we gain versus what we lose?
What about the impact of class sizes?
What are our present course offerings?

A discussion ensued that talked about the need to identify and compare the differences among schools.
The point was made that perhaps this study could be completed this year, but any change would potentially take 2 to 3 years to complete.

The point was made that the Tuition Study Committee is a committee that will make a recommendation, but has no authority to make decisions.

Sub groups were formed.

Budget/ Facilities
Ross + Bob

Pittsfield Course Offerings
Heidi + Susan

District Contracts
Jim + Mary

Offerings provided by receiving schools
Hedi, leslie + John

It was suggested that we add 3 to 5 minutes of public input to our agenda.

Jenn Codispoti thanked the committee for doing this work. She commented,
We need to look at the opportunities and value of going outside the district. Value, opportunities, and impact is a good way to tell the story. We are not necessarily looking at apples to apples, For example, languages, co curricular, and graduation dates. Milestones should be included in this report.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday November, 12 at 4:30 pm.

On a motion made by Mary Paradise seconded by Heidi Asdot the meeting was adjourned at 6:00pm.