

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Amityville Union Free School District, Amityville, NY 11701
Special Meeting Minutes – December 7, 2016

The Meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by President Fulton at Park Avenue School, Art Room.

A motion made by Trustee Pawlewicz; seconded by 1st Vice President Santos to go into Executive Session at 6:31 p.m. for the purpose of seeking legal counsel contract negotiations. 1st Vice President Santos was appointed Clerk Pro Tem.

IN ATTENDANCE: Terry Fulton, President
Jeannette Santos, 1st Vice President
Carolyn Dodd, 2nd Vice President
Susan Benard-Handler, Trustee
Lisa Johnson, Trustee
Juan Leon, Trustee (arrived at 6:49 p.m.)
Laura Pawlewicz, Trustee
Dr. Mary T. Kelly, Superintendent of Schools
Diane Castonguay, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations
Carole Polney, Ass't Superintendent for Technology and Administrative Services
Gary Steffanetta, Esq., Guercio & Guercio LLP
Anthony Fasano, Esq., Guercio & Guercio, LLP

Motion to resume Open Meeting 7:43 p.m. in the Auditorium.

IN ATTENDANCE: Terry Fulton, President
Jeannette Santos, 1st Vice President
Carolyn Dodd, 2nd Vice President
Susan Benard-Handler, Trustee
Lisa Johnson, Trustee
Juan Leon, Trustee
Laura Pawlewicz, Trustee
Dr. Mary T. Kelly, Superintendent of Schools

ALSO PRESENT: Diane Castonguay, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations
Carole Polney, Ass't Superintendent for Technology and Administrative Services
Eileen Becker, District Clerk

COMMUNITY: 8 Present

COMMUNITY INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Nathan King, 13 Sunset Avenue, Amityville asked about the Benefits Schedules and how they financially impact the district. Dr. Kelly explained there is no difference regarding the expense. These Schedules have been created to reflect the position, not the individual.

BOARD ACTION

Motion to accept Agenda Item 2C-1 made by Trustee Johnson; seconded by Trustee Pawlewicz.
Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 7 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Review of Draft Agenda for December 14, 2016

GENERAL

Motion to approve Agenda Item 3A-1 made by Trustee Pawlewicz; seconded by 1st Vice President Santos. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 7 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain

Motion to approve Agenda Items 3A-2 through 3A-6 made by Trustee Pawlewicz; seconded by 2nd Vice President Dodd. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 7 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Approval of Section 3020-a Results
2. Approve Fringe Benefits Schedule for Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction
3. Approve Fringe Benefits Schedule for Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations
4. Approve Fringe Benefits Schedule for Assistant Superintendent for Technology and Administrative Services
5. Approve Fringe Benefits Schedule for Director of Facilities
6. Approve Fringe Benefits Schedule for Transportation Coordinator

PERSONNEL

Motion to approve Agenda Items 3B-1 through 3B-33 made by 2nd Vice President Dodd; seconded by 1st Vice President Santos. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 7 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain

1. Resignation: Food Service Worker/MS – Walker-Gouedy, R.
2. Revised Appointment: JV Girls Basketball Coach – Abbondandolo, Sr., M.
3. Extend FMLA: Elementary Teacher/NW – Dady, J.
4. Leave of Absence W/O Pay: Special Education 1:1 Aide/PA – D’Amato, D.
5. Appointment: Debate Club Advisor/HS – Tomasi, M.
6. Appointment: Security Guard – Malcolm, B.
7. Appointment: Security Guard – Healy, S.
8. Appointment: Security Guard – Pepitone, V.
9. Appointment: Food Service Worker/HS – Hernandez, A.
10. Appointment: Substitute Teacher – Hodnett, G.
11. Leave Replacement Appointment: ESL Teacher/PA – Peres, M.

BUSINESS

Motion to approve Agenda Items 3C-1 made by Trustee Johnson; seconded by 2nd Vice President Dodd. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 7 Yes; 0 No; 0 No.

1. Fund Raising Events

CURRICULUM

Motion to approve amended Agenda Item 3F-1 made by Trustee Pawlewicz; seconded by 2nd Vice President Dodd. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 7 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Approval of Conferences

REPORTS

Legal Counsel Report: None

Superintendent Report:

Dr. Kelly does not have a report tonight but will at the Board's regular meeting next week and presentations to include:

- course catalog for the ms and hs
- school report card update on regents exams
- report on capital projects and the progress of the bond work from BBS and Park East
- our students from our independent science research program will be presenting the projects they are working on
- we also have students attended a college tour from the ms would like to share their experiences
- holiday music from our jazz band.

Board Report:

1. Mrs. Santos reminded the Board and audience of the National Honor Society's Breakfast with Santa event on Saturday, December 10th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.
2. Ms. Johnson - was contacted by Fred Langstaff, the Area 12 Director for NYSSBA and was asked to go to the Commissioner's round table on December 16th in Albany. Mrs. Johnson will report back in January about the meeting.

COMMUNITY INPUT ON NON AGENDA ITEMS

Michael Sterling 9 Emily Street, Massapequa

Ms. Carolyn Chikazunga, 58 Dover Street, Massapequa

Ms. Trecice Smith Victor, 47 Glenmalure Street, Amityville

All spoke of the new way of grading reading and why were parents not informed of the change. It seems to be one particular class where this has occurred. All were recommended to speak to the Principal and follow proper protocol and chain of command. Ms. Johnson also mentioned two parents spoke to her as well. This was the first the Superintendent was hearing about it and Dr. Kelly will follow up with the Principal on this subject. Mr. Leon thanked the parents for coming out and speaking up.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn Open Session at 8:04 p.m. made by Trustee Johnson; seconded by 2nd Vice President Dodd.