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8/13/2014

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Amityville Union Free School District
Amityville, NY 11701

Special Meeting Minutes – December 17, 2013
Park North Administration Building – 1st Floor Conference Room – 3:00 PM

LOCATION: Park North Administration Building – 1st Floor Conference Room

IN ATTENDANCE: President Lisa Johnson 2nd Vice President Ron Moss
Trustee Jeannette Santos Trustee Kathleen Corbett
1st Vice President Nathan King

ABSENT: Trustee Mark Epps
Trustee Terry Fulton

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. Gary Steffanetta, Esq. – Guercio & Guercio
Ms. Victoria Cantrella, Esq. – Guercio & Guercio

ABSENT: Dr. John R. Williams, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Kathleen Gulbin – Asst. Supt. Curriculum & Instruction
Dr. Joan Lange, Interim Asst. Supt. Curriculum & Instruction
Mrs. Sydney Friefelder-Interim Asst. Supt. Finance & Operations
Dr. Mary Kelly-Asst Supt. Technology
Dr. Stephen Neidell-Interim Asst. Supt. Human Resources

NOT IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs. Judith O’Neill, District Clerk

1. **Meeting Called to Order** by President Johnson at 6:56 PM.

A. **Emergency Exit, No Smoking Statement**

**In the unlikely event of an emergency, you need to note that exits are clearly marked. Take a moment to note the exit nearest to where you are seated. *Smoking is not allowed on school grounds. *As a courtesy, please turn off cell phones and pagers during the meeting.*

B. **Pledge of Allegiance**

C. **Community Input Regarding Board Agenda Items Only**

2. **Board Action Recommended by the Board of Education**

- A. **Approval of Board Minutes** None
- B. **Approval of Board Policy** - None
- C. **Board Action**
 - 1. Honeywell
- D. **Audit Committee** – TBA

3. **Board Action Recommended by the Superintendent** - None

- A. **General**
- B. **Personnel**
- C. **Business**
- D. **Monthly Finance Report**
- E. **CSE & CPSE Action/Meetings**
- F. **Curriculum and Instruction**

4. **Reports** - None

- A. **Legal Counsel for the District**
- B. **Superintendent of Schools**
- C. **Board of Education**

President Johnson appointed Ronald A. Moss as District Clerk Pro Tem.

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Bronwyn Black arrived at 6:57 PM.

MOTION to RECESS to Executive Session at 6:57 PM for personnel/particular persons made by 1st Vice President King, seconded by 2nd Vice President Moss. **Motion CARRIED:** 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald A. Moss, District Clerk Pro Tem

EXECUTIVE SESSION called to order by President Johnson at 6:58 PM.

LOCATION: Park North Administration Building – 1st Floor Conference Room

IN ATTENDANCE: President Lisa Johnson 2nd Vice President Ron Moss
 Trustee Jeannette Santos Trustee Kathleen Corbett
 1st Vice President Nathan King

ABSENT: Trustee Mark Epps
 Trustee Terry Fulton

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. Gary Steffanetta, Esq. – Guercio & Guercio
 Ms. Victoria Cantrella, Esq. – Guercio & Guercio
 Bronwyn Black, Esq. Black & Black

ABSENT: Dr. John R. Williams, Superintendent of Schools
 Dr. Kathleen Gulbin – Asst. Supt. Curriculum & Instruction
 Dr. Joan Lange, Interim Asst. Supt. Curriculum & Instruction
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Mr. Steffanetta and President Johnson left at 6:58 PM and returned at 7:00 PM.
Ms. Cantrella left at 7:00 PM and returned at 7:02 PM.
President Johnson, Ms. Cantrella and Mr. Steffanetta left at 7:39 PM and returned at 7:44 PM.
Bronwyn Black left at 7:45 PM.
Dr. Mary Kelly arrived at 7:50 PM.
Phone call made to Mrs. Sydney Friefelder at 8:30 – 8:45 PM.
Dr. Kelly left at 9:00 PM and returned at 9:23 PM.

ACTION TAKEN: None

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald A. Moss, District Clerk Pro Tem

RESUME OPEN SESSION at 9:25 PM.

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 Trustee Jeannette Santos Trustee Kathleen Corbett
 1st Vice President Nathan King

ABSENT: Trustee Mark Epps
 Trustee Terry Fulton

IN ATTENDANCE: Dr. Mary Kelly-Asst Supt. Technology
ABSENT: Dr. John R. Williams, Superintendent of Schools
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Dr. Stephen Neidell-Interim Asst. Supt. Human Resources

Dr. Kelly, Mr. Steffanetta and Ms. Cantrella left at 9:32 PM.

MOTION to AMEND Agenda to add Agenda Item 2C-2 – *RESOLUTION* for Bronwyn Black of Black & Black at the agreed upon hourly rate to represent the Board of Education to conduct the investigation of certain specific allegations as more fully discussed in Executive Session and set forth in Confidential Attachment A. The motion was made by Trustee Dr. Corbett, seconded by 1st Vice President King.

Motion CARRIED: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 2C-2 Resolution for Bronwyn Black made by Trustee Dr. Corbett, seconded by 1st Vice President King. **Motion CARRIED:** 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

MOTION to AMEND Agenda to add Agenda Item 2C-3 – Selection of Ray & Associates pending contract approval made by Trustee Dr. Corbett, seconded by 2nd Vice President Moss. **Motion CARRIED:** 4 Yes, 1 No (Trustee Santos voted No).

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 2C-3 – Selection of Ray & Associates pending contract approval made by Trustee Dr. Corbett, seconded by 2nd Vice President Moss. **Motion CARRIED:** 4 Yes, 1 No (Trustee Santos voted No).

MOTION to ADJOURN Special meeting at 9:35 PM made by 2nd Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Santos. **Motion CARRIED:** 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Moss, District Clerk Pro Tem