

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
AMITYVILLE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

Date of Meeting: March 4, 2015
Location: Park North Administration Building – Board Room
Time: 5:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Lisa Johnson, President
Ron Moss, 1st Vice President
Terry Fulton, 2nd Vice President participated from the Parkview Rehabilitation and Center at 5353 Merrick Road, Massapequa, New York. This location is open to the public.
Dr. Kathleen Corbett, Trustee
Carolyn Dodd, Trustee
Nathan King, Trustee
Jeannette Santos, Trustee

Also Present:

Dr. Mary T. Kelly, Superintendent of Schools
Gary Steffenetta, Esq. Guercio & Guercio, LLP

Special Meeting The Special Meeting was called to order at 5:06 p.m. by Mrs. Johnson. Mrs. Johnson read the emergency exit statement and led in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Executive Session At 5:07 p.m. a motion to move into Executive Session to discuss a confidential matter regarding the employment history of a particular person and conduct Administration interviews was made by Mr. Moss; seconded by Dr. Corbett. At 6:40 p.m. the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn to Executive Session and move to the Special meeting on motion made by Mr. Moss; seconded by Dr. Corbett.

Special Meeting The Special meeting of the Board resumed at 7:02 p.m. at the Park Avenue Memorial Elementary School Auditorium. Ms. Cantrella, Dr. Lange, Mrs. Freifelder, Ms. Wilson and Mrs. Becker were present in the open session

COMMUNITY INPUT REGARDING BOARD AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Ed McDaniels Audio did not work for this portion.
111 Bayview Ave.
Amityville, NY

PRESENTATION(S)

2015-16 Budget Mrs. Freifelder presented the tentative Amityville UFSD Budget
Presentation #5 Presentation #5 – Administrative Component (*Attachment Budget
Administrative Presentation #5*)
Component

ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION
Board Action – Review of the March 11, 2015 Draft Agenda

Minutes	Need further review
Policy	Need further review
Action	Accepted
Personnel	Accepted
Business	Accepted
Finance	Accepted

3. Board Action Recommended by the Superintendent
Personnel

Personnel On the motion of Mrs. Santos and seconded by Dr. Corbett, and the Board unanimously agreed to approve agenda items #3B-1 through #3B-16 as follows:

1. Leave Replacement Appointment: Elementary Teacher/PA – Bejarano, M.
2. Appointment: Spring Coach – Head JV Softball – Western, A.
3. Appointment: ESL/Bilingual After School Academy – Substitute Teacher – Herz, D.
4. Appointment: ESL/Bilingual After School Academy – Substitute Teacher – Carey, L.
5. FMLA: Clerk/Typist/HS – DiLevo, D.
6. Revised Appointment: Substitute Teacher – Culber, S.
7. Revised Appointment: Substitute Food Service Worker – Vasquez, M.
8. Resignation: 21st Century – Club Advisor – Weber, R.
9. Resignation: Special Education 1:1 Aide/MS – Torres, E.
10. FMLA: Guidance Counselor/HS – Akapnitis, A.
11. FMLA: Special Education 1:1 Aide/HS – Lorenzana, A.
12. Termination: School Monitor/NW – Strickland, D.
13. Appointment: Substitute Teacher – Merkle, A.
14. Appointment: Substitute Teacher – Feliciano, J.
15. Leave Replacement Appointment: Guidance Counselor/PA – Burgos, S.
16. Leave Replacement Appointment: Guidance Counselor/HS – Zdanio, E.

Business

Business On the motion of Mrs. Santos and seconded by Dr. Corbett, and the Board unanimously agreed to approve agenda items #3C-1 as follows:

1. Approval for Request for Proposal of Legal Services

3-F Curriculum and Instruction

Conferences On the motion of Mrs. Santos and seconded by Dr. Corbett, and the Board unanimously agreed to approve agenda item #3F-1 as follows:

1. E. Roberto Allen – NYS Common Core Math, Grade 7, Module 6
2. Melissa McCormack – Making Use of Ipads, Apps and other digital tools
3. Teresa Gandarillas – Making Use of Ipads, Apps and other digital tools

4. Amy Stein – Special Ed for the General Ed Teacher
5. Kelly Darling – Special Ed for the General Ed Teacher
6. Deborah Becker – RTI & Behavior
7. Christine Gambella – RTI & Behavior
8. Charles Martine – RTI & Behavior
9. Barbara Miller – Bold Systems Pre-Election Training
10. Sandra Parmentier – Beginning to Understand Eligibility & Application Process for Adult Services
11. Ed Plaia – LIASCD – Got Data, Now What?
12. Joan Lange – LIASCD – Got Data, Now What?
13. Marian Weber – Spring into Science
14. Laura Soluri – Spring into Science
15. Dana Herz – Spring into Science

LAP – EWMMS On the motion of Mrs. Santos and seconded by Dr. Corbett, and the Board unanimously agreed to approve agenda item #3F-2 as follows:

BE IT RESOLVED, upon the Board of Education approved the attached Local Assistance Plan (LAP) for the Edmund W. Miles Middle School (*Attachment*)

REPORTS

Board	None
Superintendent	Dr. Kelly will make a report at the Regular Meeting, March 11 th
Legal Counsel	Mr. Steffanetta will report to the board in executive session

THE MEETING WAS OPENED TO THE PUBLIC TO PARTICIPATE IN ANY NON-AGENDA ITEMS.

Ed McDaniels 111 Bayview Ave. Amityville, NY	Mr. McDaniels discussed the 4 th grade history class created a walking history of Amityville and wondered if something like that would be done again utilizing video recording. It was discussed that Sandy Brewster-Walker who writes for the Amityville Record does a weekly article on Amityville's history. Also the Amityville Historical Society puts out a publication regarding the history of Amityville.
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Mr. McDaniels also asked about the Wellness Policy. This policy is under review and Trustee Dodd is working with Mr. Tsirigotis.

Trustee Santos	Mrs. Santos asked the status of the Athletic Eligibility Policy. President Johnson responded this policy is under review as well.
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Rose Tejade-Torres 62 Maple Drive Amityville, NY	Ms. Torres asked why the 9 th graders and their parents are excluded from high school activities. It is felt that although they are housed at another building, they are part of the high school life and should be included going forward. Trustee Santos and Trustee Dr. Corbett agreed. Trustee Dr.
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Corbett stressed that no curriculum or extra curricular activities can be changed without the policy being updated.

Ms. Torres also thanked the District for the new lighting at Northeast and reminded everyone of the APTC Supermarket Bingo event on March 6th.

Executive Session At 8:30 p.m. a motion by Mrs. Santos and seconded Dr. Corbett, and the Board unanimously agreed to resume Executive Session returning to the Park North Administration Board Room for discussion of a particular person.

Special Meeting At 9:00 p.m. a motion by Mr. Fulton and seconded by Dr. Corbett, and the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn to Executive Session and resume the Special meeting.

Amend Agenda A motion was made by Mr. Moss and seconded by Mrs. Santos, and the Board amended the agenda to add item #3B-17 with a vote of 5 YES; 1 NO (Mr. King); 1 ABSTAIN (Dr. Corbett) as follows: (*Attachment #3B-17*)

3B-17 Accept the resignation of Bridgette Waite-Wilson, Director for Human Resources effective June 30, 2015.

Amend Agenda A motion was made by Mr. Moss and seconded by Mrs. Santos, and the Board unanimously the agenda and agreed to approve agenda items #3B-18; #3B-19; #3B-20 as follows: (*Attachment #3B-18; #3B-19 and #3B-20*)

3B-18 Accept the resignation of Judith O’Neill, District Clerk effective March 6, 2015

3B-19 Appointment of Eileen Becker as District Clerk effective March 2, 2015

3B-20 Appointment of Barbara Miller as Deputy District Clerk effective March 2, 2015

THE MEETING WAS OPENED FOR DISCUSSION ON ANY NON-AGENDA ITEMS.

Dr. Kelly mentioned a letter from Chief Dobby to have access to the schools cameras if there were an incident the policy were called to a school of grave danger. This is something that the district will look into with our attorney. The access permission has to be very specific. It was felt that this would not be advantageous.

Trustee King asked why the card access system is not activated yet. The project should be complete with all the various stages by March, 2015.

Trustee Santos asked about the status of the Western Suffolk BOCES budget election and trustee vote. Deputy District Clerk Becker said it will be added to the March 11th agenda.

The St. Patrick’s Day Parade is coming up with our Jazz Band marching in the parade for the first time. Dr. Kelly asked which board members will be joining her.

Trustee Dr. Corbett asked the status of pending positions – HS Principal, NW Assistant Principal and Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction. She also asked that Dr. Kelly bring one person for Board approval, not two or three. All were in agreement except for Trustee King who felt he wanted a choice. It was discussed that any hiring any personnel is at the

recommendation of the Superintendent. If the Superintendent has more than one qualified person to bring to the board, she will but more than one is not guaranteed.

Trustee Fulton asked when the coaching positions will be filled. Dr. Kelly said it will be done before the end of this school year for the 2015-2016 school year.

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment At 9:26 p.m. there being no further business items for discussion, the meeting was adjourned on motion by Mr. Moss and seconded by Mrs. Santos, and the Board unanimously agreed to adjourn.

Eileen Becker
District Clerk

Approved: 05/13/15