

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Amityville Union Free School District, Amityville, NY 11701
Regular Meeting Minutes – March 9, 2016

Approved: 04/13/16

OPEN MEETING

The Meeting was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by President Moss at Park North Administration Building.

IN ATTENDANCE: Ronald A. Moss, President
 Terry Fulton, 1st Vice President
 Jeannette Santos, 2nd Vice President
 Dr. Kathleen Corbett, Trustee
 Carolyn Dodd, Trustee
 Juan Leon, Trustee
ABSENT: Lisa Johnson, Trustee
ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Mary T. Kelly, Superintendent of Schools

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to move into Executive Session at 5:35 p.m. by President Moss; seconded by 2nd Vice President Santos for the purpose an interview of Administration Personnel. President Moss appointed 1st Vice President Fulton as Clerk Pro Tem. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

Motion to adjourn Executive Session at 6:50 p.m. by President Moss; seconded by 2nd Vice President Santos. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

OPEN SESSION

Motion to call to order Open Session at Park Avenue School, Auditorium at 7:05 p.m. by President Moss; seconded by 1st Vice President Fulton. Motion Carries: 7 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

ALSO PRESENT: Juan Leon, Trustee
 Mary O’Meara, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction
 Gary Steffanetta, Esq., Guercio & Guercio, LLP
 Anthony Fasano, Esq., Guercio & Guercio, LLP
 Peter Paternostro, Administrator for PPS/Special Education
 Sandra Parmentier, Assistant Administrator for PPS/Special Education
 Dr. Clinton Grant, Principal AMHS
 Donna DeFreitas, Assistant Principal AMHS
 John Cardone, Dean of Students AMHS
 Ed Plaia, Principal EWMMS
 Earl Mitchell, Dean of Students EWMMS
 Scott Bullis, Principal PAMES
 Rose Hutcherson, Assistant Principal PAMES
 Dr. Brenda Triplett, Principal NW
 Tim Hellmuth, Assistant Principal NW
 Dr. Fran Fernandez, Director for Fine Arts Department
 Evan Farkas, Director for Athletics, Physical Education and Health
 Susanne Pena, District Coordinator for ESL
 Eileen Becker, District Clerk
ABSENT: Lisa Johnson, Trustee
 Diane Castonguay, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations
 Carlos Perez, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources
 Dr. Pauline Collins, Principal NE
 Kristy Middleton, Assistant Principal, EWMMS
COMMUNITY: 40 members present

President Moss turned the meeting over to Dr. Kelly introduced Evan Farkas and Greg McCoy to introduce Deonte Wilson, a sophomore and his outstanding All County Wrestling title.

Dr. Fran Fernandez then introduced the Jazz Band under the direction of Frank Abel. Highlights were solos by Michael Dealy and Shiloh Bennett.

COMMUNITY INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS

There was no Community input on agenda items. President Moss proceeded with the agenda.

ACTION

Motion to approve Agenda Items 2A-1 through 2A-4 made by 2nd Vice President Santos; seconded by Trustee Corbett. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

Motion to table Agenda Item 2A-5 made by Trustee Johnson; seconded by Trustee Corbett. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Special Meeting – March 2, 2016
2. Regular Meeting – February 10, 2016
3. Special Meeting – February 3, 2016
4. Special Meeting – January 21, 2016
5. Regular Meeting – January 13, 2016

Motion to approve Agenda Item 2C-1 made by 2nd Vice President Santos; seconded by Trustee Corbett. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Notice of Annual Meeting – May 17, 2016

GENERAL

Motion to approve Agenda Item 3A-1 made by 2nd Vice President Santos; seconded by Trustee Corbett. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Approval of the 2016/2017 Academic Calendar

PERSONNEL

Motion to approve Agenda Items 3B-1 through 3B-23 made by Trustee Corbett; seconded by 2nd Vice President Santos. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

Motion to approve Agenda Items 3B-24 through 3B-85 made by Trustee Corbett; seconded by 2nd Vice President Santos. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

Motion to amend Agenda and add Agenda Item 3B-86 made by Trustee Corbett; seconded by 2nd Vice President Santos. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

Motion to approve Agenda Item 3B-86 made by Trustee Corbett; seconded by 2nd Vice President Santos. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. FMLA Leave: Elementary Teacher/NW – Winter, I.
2. Leave of Absence w/o Pay: Monitor/NW – McPhee, K.
3. Leave of Absence (03/14/16-03-23/16) w/o Pay: Food Service Worker/MS – Montoya, E.
4. Leave of Absence (04/20/16-05/06/16) w/o Pay: Food Service Worker/MS – Montoya, E.
5. Appointment: Security Guard – Policastro, C.
6. Appointment: Chaperone – Fulford, A.
7. Appointment: Chaperone – Gannon, C.
8. Appointment: Chaperone – Garofalo, C.
9. Appointment: Chaperone – Kretz, W.
10. Appointment: Chaperone – McCoy, G.
11. Appointment: Chaperone – Morenus, K.
12. Appointment: Chaperone – Roslow, B.
13. Appointment: Chaperone – Scoca, N.
14. Appointment: Athletic Supervisor – Kretz, W.
15. Appointment: Athletic Supervisor – Morenus, K.

16. Appointment: Substitute Clerk/Typist – Policaro, S.
17. Appointment: Substitute Clerk/Typist – Anarabte-Vargas, J.
18. Appointment: Substitute Monitor – Morreale, A.
19. Appointment: Substitute Monitor – Matuza, J.
20. Appointment: Substitute Food Service Worker – Reynolds, T.
21. Resignation for Retirement: Teaching Assistant/NE – Ciancarelli, P.
22. Resignation for Retirement: Building Principal Secretary/NW – Eastwood, M.
23. Rescind Appointment: Permanent Substitute Teacher/MS – Persad-Kouril, D.
24. FMLA: Elementary Teacher/NW – Pryer, J.
25. Leave of Absence w/o Pay: Special Education 1:1 Aide/PA – Saylor, L.
26. Leave of Absence w/o Pay: Monitor/NE – Carpentieri, D.
27. Leave Replacement: Music Teacher/PA – Ashe, M.
28. Appointment: Activity Advisor – Pit Band Club – Maccarone, J.
29. Appointment: Special Education 1:1 Aide/HS – Spence, E.
30. Appointment: Security Guard – Martin, G.
31. Appointment: Spring Coach – Volunteer Ass't Coach – Duguay, Sr., P.
32. Appointment: Intramural Coach/HS – Epps, M.
33. Appointment: 21st CCLC Special Education 1:1 Aide/PA – Patrick, J.
34. Appointment: 21st CCLC Substitute Teacher/PA – Ross, D.
35. Appointment: 21st CCLC AIS Math Teacher/PA – Roddin, L.
36. Appointment: Chaperone – Sciolino, J.
37. Appointment: Chaperone – Kretz, W.
38. Appointment: Chaperone – Castro, E.
39. Appointment: Chaperone – Drost, A.
40. Appointment: Chaperone – Lottman, A.
41. Appointment: Chaperone – Powell, B.
42. Appointment: Substitute Teacher – Krublitz, A.
43. Appointment: Substitute Special Education 1:1 Aide – Jordan, L.
44. Appointment: Substitute Clerk/Typist – Roberson, B.
45. Appointment: Substitute Custodian – Fascetti, M.
46. Appointment: Substitute Custodian – Dickerson, T.
47. Appointment: Permanent Substitute Teacher – Basu, S.
48. Appointment: Permanent Substitute Teacher – Larsen, E.
49. Appointment: Permanent Substitute Teacher – Kushner, D.
50. Intentionally Left Blank
51. Appointment: Permanent Substitute Teacher – Gallagher, J.
52. Appointment: Substitute Teacher Assistant – Felix-Johnson, L.
53. Appointment: Substitute Teacher Assistant – Jobanputra, Z.
54. Appointment: Curriculum Writing (Academic Vocabulary Secondary) – O'Hagan, J.
55. Appointment: Curriculum Writing (Academic Vocabulary Secondary) – Latorre, R.
56. Appointment: Curriculum Writing (Academic Vocabulary Secondary) – Pfaffe, L.
57. Appointment: Athletic Supervisor – Epps, M.
58. Resignation for Retirement: School Psychologist/NW – Becker, D.
59. Resignation for Retirement: Social Worker/NE – Brandine, W.
60. Resignation for Retirement: Speech Teacher/NW – Burretti, A.
61. Resignation for Retirement: Science Teacher/MS – Charles, D.
62. Resignation for Retirement: Physical Education Teacher/HS – Drost, A.
63. Resignation for Retirement: Guidance Counselor/MS – Garrison-Dennis, M.
64. Resignation for Retirement: Special Education Teacher/NW – Gonser, M.
65. Resignation for Retirement: Health Teacher/MS – Kraljic, B.

66. Resignation for Retirement: ESL Teacher/PA – Krauss, S.
67. Resignation for Retirement: Elementary Teacher/NW – Maurin, K.
68. Resignation for Retirement: ESL Teacher/MS – Mussen, L.
69. Resignation for Retirement: ESL Teacher/NW – Pochtrager, F.
70. Resignation for Retirement: Elementary Teacher/NW – Pryer, J.
71. Resignation for Retirement: Mathematics Teacher/HS – Romeo, R.
72. Resignation for Retirement: Elementary Teacher/NW – Siegel, T.
73. Resignation for Retirement: Special Education Teacher/MW – Tippy, L.
74. Resignation for Retirement: Social Worker/HS – Tremblay, L.
75. Resignation for Retirement: Science Teacher/HS – Wasilausky, B.
76. Resignation for Retirement: Science Teacher/HS – Weber, M.
77. Resignation for Retirement: Technology Teacher/MS – Weber, R.
78. Resignation for Retirement: Reading Teacher/PA – Wells, C.
79. Resignation for Retirement: Social Studies Teacher/HS – Western, A.
80. Resignation for Retirement: Elementary Teacher/NE – Williams, G.
81. Resignation for Retirement: Elementary Teacher/NW – Winter, I.
82. Resignation for Retirement: Science Teacher/MS – Soluri, L.
83. Revised Appointment: HCARE Liaison – Weber, M.
84. Appointment: Intramural Coach/HS – Germain, P.
85. Appointment: Security Guard – Viviano, F.
86. Probationary Appointment: Assistant Superintendent for Technology and Administration - Polney, C.

BUSINESS

Motion to approve Agenda Items 3C-1 through 3C-6 made by 2nd Vice President Santos; seconded by Trustee Corbett. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Health Service Contracts – Other Schools
2. Use of Facilities
3. Donation
4. Fund Raising
5. Budget Transfers
6. Dispose of Fixed Assets
7. Motion to Increase 2015-16 Budget

FINANCE

Motion to approve Agenda Item 3D-1 made by 2nd Vice President Santos; seconded by Trustee Corbett. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Review of January 2016 Financial Report

SERVICE CONTRACTS FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

Motion to approve Agenda Item 3E-1 made by Trustee Corbett; seconded by 2nd Vice President Santos. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Stuttering Therapy & Resource Language Pathology, PC

CURRICULUM

Motion to approve Agenda Item 3F-1 made by Trustee Corbett; seconded by Trustee Dodd. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Approval of Conferences

REPORTS

Legal Counsel Update on on-going litigations; union negotiations to be reviewed in Executive Session

Superintendent

The passing of the referendum is a testament of the hard work, dedication, commitment and faith of our community. Dr. Kelly acknowledged the ATA, APTC, District Administration and Central Office for their support.

Dr. Kelly presented certificates to Board Members from NYSSBA. Jeannette Santos earning 250 Points earned the Mastery Award; Carolyn Dodd earning 150 Points earned the Excellence Award and Juan Leon earning 75 Points earned the Achievement Award.

Shaneka Bernard, Amityville HS Senior, received a congressional nomination from Congressman Peter King to the United States Military Academy at West Point.

Four of our AP Studio Art students will represent our district in the regional Go APE (Advanced Placement Student Art Exhibition). The students are: Gabriela Pacheco, Kenyi Zelaya, Katherine Eastwood and Jeoprey Delos Santos.

Several of our Art students will have their artwork showcased in the annual “Colors of Long Island” at the Long Island Museum at Stony Brook. The students are:

Northeast Elementary School

K’Pryce Hamilton

Wilfredo Castillo

Northwest Elementary School

Yahayra Rodriguez-Bustillo

Isabella Walker

Park Avenue Elementary School

Jackeline Andino

Jason Izaguirre-Rivera

Edmund W. Miles Middle School

Aleyna Kikoglu

Destiny Jackson

Amityville Memorial High School

Jonnatan Gutierrez Gomez

Kenyi Zelaya

Rogina Francois

The Amityville UFSD was one of four districts featured at a conference sponsored by SCOPE and Dowling College on Transformational Digital Teaching and Learning. Our Middle School and High School teachers Katie Dodd, Janine Katsigorgis and Kara Keenan along with their students showcased their one-to-one pilot program using Google Classrooms and Chromebooks.

We are pleased to welcome Carole Polney as our New Assistant Superintendent for Technology and Administrative Services.

The APTC will host a Skating Party on March 17th from 6:30-8:45 PM at Massapequa Skates.

Board

2nd Vice President Santos and Trustee Dodd thanked the community on passing the Bond Referendum.

COMMUNITY INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Mikila Thompson

Community business owner of The Learning Experience, Academy of Early Education, wants to work with the district on tutoring and after school opportunities.

Bob Claps

Congratulated Dr. Kelly on the Bond Referendum passing and acknowledged the teachers for their contribution in getting the word out. Mr. Claps also reminded the Board of Autism Awareness Week in April.

Greg McCoy Along with Deonte Wilson, Ryan Fallot and Patrick Fallot accepting a donation on behalf of the Wrestling Team.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn Open Session at 7:58 p.m. made by Trustee Dodd; seconded by 2nd Vice President Santos.
Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

Motion to enter to Executive Session at 8:10 p.m. by President Moss; seconded by 2nd Vice President Santos for the purpose to discuss on-going litigations; union negotiations. President Moss appointed 1st Vice President Fulton as Clerk Pro Tem. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

No Action Taken

Motion to adjourn Executive Session and resume Open Session at 8:45 p.m.

Motion to adjourn Open Session at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen Becker, District Clerk