

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Amityville Union Free School District, Amityville, NY 11701
Special Meeting and Budget Hearing Minutes – April 13, 2016

APPROVED: 05/11/16

OPEN MEETING

The Meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. by President Moss at the Park North Administration Building, Board Room.

IN ATTENDANCE: Ronald A. Moss, President
 Terry Fulton, 1st Vice President
 Jeannette Santos, 2nd Vice President
 Dr. Kathleen Corbett, Trustee
 Carolyn Dodd, Trustee
 Lisa Johnson, Trustee

ABSENT: Juan Leon, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Mary T. Kelly, Superintendent of Schools
 Gary Steffanetta, Esq., Guercio & Guercio, LLP
 Peter Paternostro, Administrator for PPS and Special Education
 Sandra Parmentier, Ass't Administrator for PPS and Special Education
 Dr. Fran Fernandez, Director for Fine Arts
 Evan Farkas, Director for Athletics, Health and Physical Education
 Susanne Pena, District Coordinator for ESL/Bilingual Programs/World Languages
 Dr. Pauline Collins, Principal, NE
 Dr. Brenda Triplett, Principal, NW
 Tim Hellmuth, Assistant Principal, NW
 Scott Bullis, Principal, PAMES
 Rose Hutcherson, Assistant Principal, PAMES
 Ed Plaia, Principal, EWMMS
 Kristy Paglieri, Assistant Principal, EWMMS
 Earl Mitchell, Dean of Students, EWMMS
 Dr. Clinton Grant, Principal, AMHS
 Donna DeFreitas, Assistant Principal, AMHS
 John Cardone, Dean of Students, AMHS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Motion to move into Executive Session at 6:06 p.m. by President Moss; seconded by 2nd Vice President Santos for the purpose of history of particular person, pending litigation. President Moss appointed 2nd Vice President Santos as Clerk Pro Tem. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

Motion to adjourn Executive Session at 7:05 p.m. by President Moss; seconded by 1st Vice President Fulton. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

OPEN SESSION

Motion to resume Open Session at Park Avenue School, Auditorium at 7:16 p.m. by President Moss. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

ALSO PRESENT: Barbara Miller, Assistant District Clerk

COMMUNITY: 150 present

President Moss turned the meeting over to Dr. Kelly who introduced Gerald Asbell, Assistant Director for the AMHS Drama Club who introduced Melissa Asbell, Director for the AMHS Drama Club. Mrs. Asbell told the audience about the upcoming production of Hairspray. This play was selected for the times of the 60's to talk about issues of the times and how they relate to today and taught the kids love the skin we are in. Mrs. Asbell then introduced the cast of hairspray to perform a song from the show.

Dr. Kelly introduced Mrs. Castonguay to present the final budget overview #6. (Attached).

Dr. Kelly introduced Mrs. O’Meara to discuss the request of the Board to approve the following:

- Textbook adoption for AP Human Geography Course
- Course approval for AIS: Essentials in Global History and Geography; Essentials in U.S. History; Essentials in Algebra I & II; Essentials in Living Environment and Essentials in Earth Science
- College Prep Math

COMMUNITY INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS

No Community Input

ACTION

Motion to approve Agenda Items 2A-1 through 2A-5 made by 2nd Vice President Santos; seconded by Trustee Dodd. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Draft #2 – Regular Meeting – January 13, 2016
2. Draft #1 – Special Meeting – March 8, 2016 – Bond Referendum Vote
3. Draft #1 – Regular Meeting – March 9, 2016
4. Draft #1 – Library Election – April 5, 2016
5. Draft #1 – Special Meeting – April 6, 2016

Motion to approve Agenda Item 2C-1 2nd Vice President Santos; seconded by 1st Vice President Fulton. Discussion: None. The Acting District Clerk did a roll call for the vote of 2C-1.

President Moss:	Aye
1 st Vice President Fulton:	Aye
2 nd Vice President Santos:	Aye
Trustee Corbett:	Aye
Trustee Dodd:	Aye
Trustee Johnson:	Aye
Trustee Leon:	Absent

Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

Motion to approve Agenda Item 2C-2 made by 2nd Vice President Santos; seconded by 1st Vice President Fulton. Discussion: None. The Acting District Clerk did a roll call for the vote of 2C-1.

President Moss:	Aye
1 st Vice President Fulton:	Aye
2 nd Vice President Santos:	Aye
Trustee Corbett:	Aye
Trustee Dodd:	Aye
Trustee Johnson:	Aye
Trustee Leon:	Absent

Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

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

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

1. Adoption of Bond
2. Adoption of the 2016-17 Budget
3. Appointment of School Medical Inspector Pursuant to Section 913 of the Education Law and Direction to Appear for Medical Examination

PERSONNEL

Prior to the voting of the Personnel Resolutions, Dr. Kelly asked the teachers up for tenure to stand while the Board proceeded on the vote.

Motion to approve Agenda Items 3B-1 through 3B-18 made by 2nd Vice President Santos; seconded by 1st Vice President Fulton. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

The Board President congratulated the teachers on their tenure appointments. Dr. Kelly added that she had the pleasure to observe each teacher. They have been through a very rigorous probation process and they have demonstrated to us that they have what it takes to continue to grow and develop into master teachers and we want them to be here with us in Amityville.

Dr. Kelly invited Mr. Claps to the podium to acknowledge each teacher with awards and flowers.

The Open Meeting recessed at 8:20 p.m. and resume at 8:35 p.m. for the purpose of a brief celebration for the newly appointed tenured teachers.

Motion to approve Agenda Items 3B-19 through 3B-37 made by 2nd Vice President Santos; seconded by Trustee Johnson. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Tenure Appointment: English Teacher/HS – Albano, M.
2. Tenure Appointment: Elementary Teacher/NE – Babington, A.
3. Tenure Appointment: Literacy Teacher/NW – Bianco, J.
4. Tenure Appointment: Special Education Teacher/PA – Cammaroto, T.
5. Tenure Appointment: Special Education Teacher/NW – Carrero, D.
6. Tenure Appointment: Elementary Teacher/PA – Conboy, J.
7. Tenure Appointment: ESL Teacher/PA – Driscoll, J.
8. Tenure Appointment: Elementary Teacher/NW – Ferguson, J.
9. Tenure Appointment: Art Teacher/HS – Garofalo, C.
10. Tenure Appointment: Elementary Teacher/NE – Grillo, J.
11. Tenure Appointment: Elementary Teacher/NW – James, S.
12. Tenure Appointment: Physical Education Teacher/HS – McCoy, G.
13. Tenure Appointment: Special Education Teacher/PA – Nyholm, A.
14. Tenure Appointment: Elementary Teacher/PA – Replak, J.
15. Tenure Appointment: Elementary Teacher/PA – Ruggiero, L.
16. Tenure Appointment: Elementary/Bilingual Teacher/NW – Skaliotis, X.
17. Tenure Appointment: Elementary Teacher/PA – Thompson, G.
18. Tenure Appointment: Special Education Teacher/HS – Thompson, K.
19. Resignation for Retirement: Confidential Secretary/PN – Bonanno, L.
20. FMLA: Music Teacher/PA – Klimek, C.
21. FMLA: Elementary Teacher/NW – Gambella-Bloom, C.
22. FMLA: Physical Education Teacher/HS – McCoy, G.
23. FMLA: Physical Education Teacher/NE – Mendelson, T.
24. FMLA: English Teacher/MS – Pentangelo-Bisulca, J.
25. Leave of Absence w/o Pay: English Teacher/MS – Pentangelo-Bisulca, J.
26. Revised Leave Replacement Appointment: Special Education Teacher/PA – Wilson, L.
27. Appointment: Intramural Coach/HS (05/25/16-06/10/16) – Fallot, R.
28. Appointment: Intramural Coach/HS (04/14/16-05/06/16) – Fallot, P.
29. Appointment: Intramural Coach/HS (05/09/16-05/24/16) – McCoy, G.
30. Appointment: Intramural Coach/HS (05/25/16-06/10/16) – Kretz, W.
31. Appointment: Intramural Coach/HS (05/09/16-05/24/16) – Kretz, W.
32. Appointment: Intramural Coach/HS (04/14/16-05/06/16) – Kretz, W.

33. Resignation: Activity Advisor/National Honor Society – Aversano, C.
34. Appointment: Activity Advisor – K-Builders/MS – Dodd, K.
35. Appointment: Activity Advisor – K-Builders/MS – Kretz, A.
36. FMLA: Nurse/NW – Broere, M.
37. Leave of Absence w/o Pay Teaching Assistant – Ulloa-Cruz, R.

BUSINESS

Motion to approve Agenda Items 3C-1 through 3C-4 made by Trustee Dodd; seconded by Trustee Corbett.

Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Health Service Contracts – Other Schools
2. Fund Raising
3. Use of Facilities
4. Acceptance Federal Single Audit Report

FINANCE

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

1. Financial Report – February, 2016

SERVICE CONTRACTS FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

Motion to approve Agendas Item 3E-1 and 3E-2 made by 1st Vice President Fulton; seconded by Trustee Corbett.

Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Half Hollow Hills Central School District
2. NYSARC, Inc.

CURRICULUM

Motion to approve Agenda Items 3F-1 through 3F-4 made by 2nd Vice President Santos; seconded by 2nd Vice President Fulton. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Approval of Conferences
2. Approval of Textbook Adoption – AP Human Geography
3. Approval of Proposed Semester Courses for AIS:
 - Essentials in Global History and Geography
 - Essentials in U.S. History
 - Essentials in Algebra I
 - Essentials in Algebra II
 - Essentials in Living Environment
 - Essentials in Earth Science
4. Approval of New Course Proposal – College Prep Math

REPORTS

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

Superintendent Updated the Board on the progress of the bond referendum project and opt out for the ELA and Math exams.

Students from EWMMS were part of a team who placed first at the Stem Diversity Summit at Farmingdale State College for their smart house renewable energy project.

The district is proud to announce once again among 476 schools districts from across the nation to be named the National Association of Music Merchant Foundation best communities for music education.

AMHS held its annual World Language Society Induction. Students participated in the candle lighting ceremony and oath.

Sophomore Deonte Wilson became Amityville's first ever high school All American Wrestler.

Ronda Williams, 9th grade student, will represent Amityville in the Regional Long Island Best Student Art Exhibit at Heckshler Museum of Art.

Dr. Kelly reminded everyone the Hairspray performances this weekend.

Board No Report

COMMUNITY INPUT ON AGENDA ITEMS

Maresa Dealy, President of the APTC, spoke about the success of the Wizards Game Friday, April 8th.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn Open Session at 8:54 p.m. made by Trustee Dodd; seconded by 2nd Vice President Santos.
Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

Respectfully submitted,

Eileen Becker, District Clerk