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BOARD OF EDUCATION
Amityville Union Free School District, Amityville, NY 11701
Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes – February 12, 2020

The Meeting was called to order at 6:38 p.m. by President Dodd at the Park Avenue North, Board Room.

IN ATTENDANCE: Carolyn Dodd, President
Laura McVeety Pawlewicz, 1st Vice President
Susan Benard-Handler, 2nd Vice President
Dr. Terry Fulton, Trustee
Allie McDonough, Trustee
Jeannette Santos, Trustee

ABSENT: Juan Leon, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Mary T. Kelly, Superintendent of Schools
Eugene R. Barnosky, Esq., Lamb and Barnosky, LLP

APPROVED
DATE 3/11/20
DISTRICT CLERK SIGNATURE
Barbara Miller

Motion to adjourn into Executive Session at 6:39 p.m. for the purpose of matters leading to the appointment of a particular person, matters leading to the appointment of a particular corporation, and seeking legal advice from the Board's Attorney, made by Ms. McVeety Pawlewicz; seconded by Ms. McDonough. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

Motion to exit Executive Session and return to the Public Meeting at 6:55 p.m. made by Ms. McVeety Pawlewicz; seconded by Ms. Benard-Handler. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

Open Meeting resumed at 7:42 p.m. in the Amityville Memorial High School, Auditorium.

IN ATTENDANCE: Carolyn Dodd, President
Laura McVeety Pawlewicz, 1st Vice President
Susan Benard-Handler, 2nd Vice President
Dr. Terry Fulton, Trustee
Allie McDonough, Trustee
Jeannette Santos, Trustee

ABSENT: Juan Leon, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Mary T. Kelly, Superintendent of Schools
Richard Daddio,
Andrea Pekar, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction
Dr. Thomas DeNicola, Assistant Superintendent for Technology and Administrative Services
Sharon N. Berlin, Esq., Lamb and Barnosky, LLP
Barbara Miller, District Clerk
Christine Kim, Assistant Business Administrator
Peter Paternostro, Administrator for Pupil Personnel Services and Special Education
Virginia Figueroa, Assistant Administrator for Pupil Personnel Services and Special Education
Dr. Fran Fernandez, Director of Fine Arts
Evan Farkas, Director of Athletics, Physical Education and Health
Mary Stephens, Director of English as a New Language and World Languages
Dr. Pauline Collins, Principal, Northeast Elementary School
Kathleen Hyland, Principal, Northwest Elementary School
Sonia Rodrigo, Assistant Principal, Northwest Elementary School
Robyn Santiago, Principal, Park Avenue Memorial Elementary School
Melissa Wiederhold, Assistant Principal, Park Avenue Memorial Elementary School

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Earl Mitchell, Principal, Edmund W. Miles Middle School
Paul Duguay, Assistant Principal, Edmund W. Miles Middle School
Lurdez Berrios, Assistant Principal, Edmund W. Miles Middle School
Edward Plaia, Principal, Amityville Memorial High School
Brian Suckle, Assistant Principal, Amityville Memorial High School
Rose Hutcherson, Assistant Principal, Amityville Memorial High School
Dr. John Cardone, Dean of Students, Amityville Memorial High School

COMMUNITY: 15

President Dodd led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

- Earl Mitchell, Principal, Edmund W. Miles Middle School & Mrs. Clairborne, Teacher Edmund W. Miles Middle School. – Black History Month Celebration.
- Park East Construction Corp. and Burton, Behrendt, Smith, PC – Capital Project Update.
- Richard Daddio, presented Budget Workshop #2 for 2020-21 school year.
- Andrea Pekar, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction – Graduation Rate

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve Agenda Items 2A-1 through 2A-3 made by Ms. McVeety Pawlewicz; seconded by Ms. Benard-Handler. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Draft #1- December 11, 2019- Audit Committee Meeting
2. Draft #1- January 15, 2020- Board of Education Regular Meeting
3. Draft #1- January 28, 2020- Board of Education Special Meeting

GENERAL

Motion to approve Agenda Items 3A-1 through 3A-3 made by Ms. Santos; seconded by Ms. McVeety Pawlewicz. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. SEQRA Resolution: PAMES Emergency Cafeteria Concrete Slab Repair
2. Public Emergency Pursuant to §103(4) of the General Municipal Law
3. Assignment/Designation Updates

PERSONNEL

Motion to approve Agenda Items 3B-1 through 3B-49 made by Ms. McVeety Pawlewicz; seconded by Ms. Benard-Handler. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. ILB
2. Resignation for Retirement: Special Education Teacher/PA- Alexander, G.
3. Resignation for Retirement: Speech Teacher/HS/St. Martin of Tours - Kretz, C.
4. Resignation for Retirement: Clerk/Typist/PPS- Ahl, J.
5. Resignation: Earth Science Teacher/HS- Ellis, J.
6. Resignation: Virtual Academy Teacher- McGowan, J.

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7. Resignation: Monitor/PA- Brink, D.
8. Resignation: Monitor/PA- McCann, A.
9. Resignation: Monitor/NW- Marcelin, P.
10. FMLA: Science Teacher/HS- Fallot, P.
11. Leave of Absence W/O Pay: Teaching Assistant/HS- Wunderlich, E.
12. Leave of Absence W/O Pay: Monitor/NW- Davis, M.
13. Leave Replacement Appointment: Special Education Teacher/MS- Heffernan, P.
14. Appointment: Virtual Academy: Global History- Annese, R.
15. Appointment: Virtual Academy: Algebra I- McDermott, M.
16. Appointment: Virtual Academy: Intermediate Algebra- McDermott, M.
17. Appointment: DCIP District Comprehensive Improvement Plan Member/PA- Maurer, L.
18. Appointment: DCIP District Comprehensive Improvement Plan Member/PA- Feehan, R.
19. Appointment: DCIP District Comprehensive Improvement Plan Member/NW- Brooks, M.
20. Appointment: DCIP District Comprehensive Improvement Plan Member/MS- Ciliotta, L.
21. Appointment: DCIP District Comprehensive Improvement Plan Member/HS- Keaveny, N.
22. Appointment: SCEP Team- DiPietrantonio, D.
23. Appointment: SCEP Team- Mejia, C.
24. Appointment: SCEP Team- Kearney, K.
25. Appointment: SCEP Team- Calderon, M.
26. Appointment: MS Girls Basketball Head Coach- Karafantis, G.
27. Appointment: Chaperone- Milan, L.
28. Appointment: Food Service Workers Additional Hours- Lopez, S.
29. Appointment: Food Service Workers Additional Hours- Stewart, F.
30. Appointment: Food Service Workers Additional Hours- Tobin, J.
31. Appointment: Food Service Workers Additional Hours- Molina, A.
32. Appointment: Food Service Workers Additional Hours- Ortiz, T.
33. Appointment: Food Service Workers Additional Hours- Echeverry, G.
34. Appointment: Food Service Workers Additional Hours- Brown-Hendricks, K.
35. Appointment: Food Service Workers Additional Hours- Palmer, U.
36. Appointment: Food Service Workers Additional Hours- Maldonado, B.
37. Appointment: Food Service Workers Additional Hours- Quiroz, M.
38. Appointment: Food Service Workers Additional Hours- Tejada, J.
39. Appointment: Food Service Workers Additional Hours- Raifer, M.
40. Appointment: Food Service Workers Additional Hours- Radziewicz, C.
41. Appointment: Monitor/PA- Floyd, M.
42. Appointment: Monitor/NW- Taylor, K.
43. Appointment: Part-Time Social Studies Teacher/HS- Burke, K.
44. Leave of Absence W/O Pay: Elementary Teacher/NE- Aversa, D.
45. Leave of Absence W/O Pay: Monitor/PA- Lee, B.
46. Leave of Absence W/O Pay: Monitor/HS- Tejada, J.
47. FMLA: Special Education 1:1 Aide/NW- Bazoberry, V.
48. Appointment: Permanent Substitute Teacher/MS- Heffernan, P.
49. Appointment: Permanent Substitute Teacher/HS- Burke, K.

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BUSINESS

Motion to approve Agenda Items 3C-1 through 3C-5 made by Ms. McVeety Pawlewicz; seconded by Ms. Benard-Handler. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Use of Facilities
2. Donations
3. Trade School Scholarship
4. Health Service Contracts- Other Schools
5. Dispose of Fixed Assets

FINANCE

Motion to approve Agenda Item 3D-1 made by Ms. McVeety Pawlewicz; seconded by Ms. Benard-Handler. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Treasurer's Report- December 2019

CONTRACTS FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

Motion to approve Agenda Items 3E-1 through 3E-3 made by Ms. McVeety Pawlewicz; seconded by Ms. Benard-Handler. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Long Island Tutorial Services
2. Plainedge School District
3. Touch Math 123

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Motion to approve Agenda Item 3F-1 made by Ms. McVeety Pawlewicz; seconded by Ms. Benard-Handler. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Approval of Conferences

REPORTS

The following reports were from Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Mary T. Kelly: 1

- Western Suffolk BOCES 22 Annual Legislative Program.
- Full Day Pre K Program for the 2020-21 School Year.
- 2020 Census.
- Update on the Historical Black College Tour.
- Hall of Achievement Committee.
- Recipient of a competitive multi Million Dollar Grant from NYS Office of Children and Family Services for the Empire State after school program.
- Annual Need to Know Conference, sponsored by the Nassau Suffolk School Board Association and the Nassau & Suffolk Country School Superintendents. The Conference was on the importance of the 2020 Census and on many State Aid concerns.

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- Ronald Moss, Former School Board Member has passed away.

Ms. Santos commented on the 2020 Census.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS ON NON AGENDA ITEMS

Ms. Madelyn Quintyne McConney made accusations about students on the Amityville Basketball Team. Dr. Kelly responded that her comments were inappropriate and unfounded and continued attempts to disparage students would not be tolerated.

Mr. Bob Claps, President of the ATA would like to memorialize John Chris LaMarca by naming the HS new rehearsal space after him. Ms. Dodd said the Board of Education will take it under consideration.

Ms. Susan Heenan spoke about the Code of Conduct. Ms. Heenan hand delivered packets for the District Clerk to distribute to the School Board. Ms. Heenan also spoke about behavior issues in the inclusion classes.

Mr. Noah Bullard spoke about Block Scheduling.

Motion to adjourn Open Meeting at 8:50 p.m. made by Ms. McVeety Pawlewicz; seconded by Ms. Benard-Handler.
Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain