

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Amityville Union Free School District, Amityville, NY 11701
Regular Meeting – July 11, 2024 – 7:30pm

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1. Meeting Called to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:18 PM by President Lisa Johnson at Park Avenue Memorial Elementary School in the Auditorium

Motion to Approve 1st	Motion to Approve 2nd
Carol Seehof	Wendy Canestro

Motion **CARRIED** YES: 7 | NO: 0

IN ATTENDANCE: Ms. Lisa Johnson, Trustee
Ms. Carol Seehof, Trustee
Mrs. Leslie Kretz, Trustee
Mrs. Wendy Canestro, Trustee
Mrs. Megan Messmann, Trustee
Mrs. Caroline Fanning, Trustee
Mr. Christopher Nehring, Trustee

ABSENT: N/A

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Gina Talbert, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Joan Lange, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction
Dr. Bridgette Waite, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources
Ms. Olivia Buatsi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations/Deputy District Clerk
Mr. Carl Fraser, Consultant
Mr. John Sheahan, Esq., Guercio & Guercio
Mrs. Melissa Durnin, District Clerk

A. Presentations

1. 2023-24 Financial Update

Olivia Buatsi gives a brief overview of the district's current financial status
(See video for full presentation)

B. Community Input Regarding Board Agenda Items Only

- Matt Geiss
- Robert Plaia
- Margaret Shuff

2. Board Action Recommended by the Board of Education

A. Approval of Board Minutes

B. Board Action Recommended by Board Policy Committee

C. Board Action Recommended by Board of Education

1. Advance Payment Agreement (Reserves Claim Rights)

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2. Agreement of Adjustment and Release of Owner (Full Release of Claims)

Advised by Counsel that 2C-2 is the same as 2C-1 so only 2C-1 was voted on and 2C- is withdrawn

Motion to withdraw

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Motion to amend the Agenda to include item 2C-3 for the purpose of Board members to attend a Law conference. The cost per person would be \$210 virtually or \$325 in person

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Leslie Kretz	Caroline Fanning

Motion **CARRIED** YES: 7 | NO: 0

3. Law Conference for Board Members

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Christopher Nehring	Caroline Fanning

Motion **CARRIED** YES: 7 | NO: 0

D. Audit Committee

3. Board Action Recommended by the Superintendent of Schools

A. General

1. Table of Organization Modification-Special Education/PPS

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Christopher Nehring	Leslie Kretz

Motion **CARRIED YES: 7 | NO: 0**

2. Side Letter Agreement: ATA Building Level Leaders

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Caroline Fanning	Christopher Nehring

NAME	YES	NO
Lisa Johnson	X	
Carol Seehof	X	
Megan Messmann	X	
Leslie Kretz	X	
Wendy Canestro	X	
Caroline Fanning		X
Christopher Nehring	X	

Motion **CARRIED YES: 6 | NO: 1**

B. Personnel

1. Personnel Action Report
2. Service Agreement: Comply Corporation
3. Stipulation of Agreement

B1-3

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Motion **CARRIED YES: 7 | NO: 0**

Motion to amend the Agenda to add Agenda Items 3B-4, 3B-5, and 3B-6

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Motion **CARRIED YES: 7 | NO: 0**

3B-4 – Appointment of Nathanel Spence to the position of Transportation Coordinator

3B-5 – Appointment of Mary Stephens to the position of Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction

3B-3 – Appointment of John Cardone to the position of Interim Secondary Principal Amityville Memorial High School

3B-4 – 3B-6

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C. Business

1. Donations
2. Use of Facilities

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Wendy Canestro	Christopher Nehring

Motion **CARRIED** YES: 7 | NO: 0

3. AS-7 BOCES Agreement for 2024-25 School Year

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Motion **CARRIED** YES: 7 | NO: 0

D. Finance

1. Treasurer's Report- May 2024

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Motion **CARRIED** YES: 7 | NO: 0

E. Contracts for Special Education Services

1. Plainedge UFSD- Special Education Contract 2024/2025
2. Amergis Healthcare Staffing Inc.– Consultant Services Contract 2024/2025

3. Dr. Caryl Oris, MD- Consultant Services Contract 2024/2025
4. Dr. Jodi Mishkin-Michaelson- Consultant Services Contract 2024/2025
5. South Oaks/ The Long Island Home- Consultant Services Contract 2024/2025

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F. Curriculum and Instruction

4. Community Input Regarding Non-Board Agenda Items Only

- Nakia Wolfe
- Debra McQuillan
- Robert Plaia
- Jacqueline Stevenson
- Margaret Shuff

5. Reports

A. Legal Counsel for the District

B. Superintendent of Schools

C. Board of Education

6. Adjournment

President Johnson makes a Motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:09 AM

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Respectfully submitted,

Minutes recorded & transcribed by:



Melissa Durnin

District Clerk