

MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
Amityville Union Free School District, Amityville, NY 11701
Park North Administration Building – 1st Floor Conference Room
Special Meeting – October 29, 2024

Meeting Called to Order: at 6:01 PM by President Johnson

IN ATTENDANCE: Lisa Johnson, President
Carole Seehof, 1st Vice President
Megan Messmann, 2nd Vice President
Wendy Canestro, Trustee
Caroline Fanning, Trustee
Leslie Kretz, Trustee
Christopher Nehring, Trustee

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Dr. Gina Talbert, Superintendent of Schools
Mary Stephens, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction
Olivia Buatsi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations
Dr. Bridgette Waite, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources
Carl Fraser, Financial Consultant
John Sheahan, Esq., Guercio & Guercio, LLP

There was a consensus of the Members to convene Executions Session at 6:02 PM for the purpose of ATA negotiations and advice from Counsel.

IN ATTENDANCE: Lisa Johnson, President
Carole Seehof, 1st Vice President
Megan Messmann, 2nd Vice President
Wendy Canestro, Trustee
Caroline Fanning, Trustee
Leslie Kretz, Trustee
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Dr. Bridgette Waite, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources
Carl Fraser, Financial Consultant
John Sheahan, Esq., Guercio & Guercio, LLP

There was consensus of the present Members to reconvene Open Session at 7:36 PM.

IN ATTENDANCE: Lisa Johnson, President
Carole Seehof, 1st Vice President
Megan Messmann, 2nd Vice President
Wendy Canestro, Trustee
Caroline Fanning, Trustee
Leslie Kretz, Trustee
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Olivia Buatsi, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations
Dr. Bridgette Waite, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources
Carl Fraser, Financial Consultant
John Sheahan, Esq., Guercio & Guercio, LLP

COMMUNITY: 6 community members

3C-1 Use of Facilities

Motion to Approve Agenda Item 3C-1 made by W. Canestro; seconded C. Nehring

Discussion: Refer to Recording

Motion Carries: 7 Yes; 0 No

3F-1 MOU-National Coalition for 100 Black Woman, Long Island Suffolk County Chapter, Inc.

Discussion: Refer to Recording

Motion to Rescind Agenda Item 3F-1 made by W. Canestro; seconded C. Fanning

Motion Carries: 7 Yes; 0 No

Discussion: Refer to Recording

Motion to Table Agenda Item 3F-1 made by W. Canestro; seconded M. Messmann

Motion Carries: 7 Yes; 0 No

Old Business: Refer to Recording

Community Input:

- Erin K.
- Melissa K.

It was the consensus of the Board to return to Executive Session at 8:46 Pm for discussion regarding District Clerk position and advice from Counsel

IN ATTENDANCE: Lisa Johnson, President
Carole Seehof, 1st Vice President
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Cabinet Members left at 9:40 PM, Executive Session resumed at 9:41 PM

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Wendy Canestro, Trustee
Caroline Fanning, Trustee
Leslie Kretz, Trustee
Christopher Nehring, Trustee

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: John Sheahan, Esq., Guercio & Guercio, LLP

Motion to adjourn Executive Session at 10:35 PM

IN ATTENDANCE: Lisa Johnson, President
Carole Seehof, 1st Vice President
Megan Messmann, 2nd Vice President
Wendy Canestro, Trustee
Caroline Fanning, Trustee
Leslie Kretz, Trustee
Christopher Nehring, Trustee

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: John Sheahan, Esq., Guercio & Guercio, LLP

Adjournment

There was a consensus of the present Members to adjourn at 10:36 PM

Respectfully Submitted,
Eileen Becker

BOE APPROVED 11/22/24