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Board of Education
Amityville Union Free School District
Amityville, NY 11701

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES – May 1, 2010
Park Avenue Administration Building First Floor Board Room – 8:00 AM

LOCATION: Park Avenue Administration Building – 1st Floor Board Room

IN ATTENDANCE: President Michele Sikhrangkur Vice President Juliet Jordon-Thompson
Trustee Diane Koza Egglinger Trustee Charles Walters
Trustee Kathy Ward Trustee Nathan King

ABSENT: 2nd Vice President Lisa Johnson

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Dr. John R. Williams/Superintendent of Schools
Mr. Gary Steffanetta, Esq. Guercio & Guercio
Ms. Nancy Hark, Esq. Guercio & Guercio
Ms. Barbara Miller
Mr. Ron Moss
Ms. Dolly Fevola/Court Reporter

CLERK IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs. Judith O'Neill/District Clerk

COMMUNITY: No members present

1. **Meeting Called to Order** by President Sikhrangkur at 8:14 AM.
 - A. **Emergency Exit, No Smoking and Cell Phone Statement** – President Sikhrangkur read the following statement: *In the unlikely event of an emergency, you need to note that exits are clearly marked. Take a moment to note the exit nearest to where you are seated. Smoking is not allowed on school grounds.*
 - B. **Pledge of Allegiance** – The Board, Administration and attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.
 - C. **Community Input Regarding Board Agenda Items Only** – None
2. **Board Action Recommended by the Board of Education**
 - A. **Approval of Board Minutes** - None
 - B. **Board Action Recommended by Board Policy Committee** - None
 - C. **Board Action Recommended by Board of Education**
 - D. **Audit Committee** – None
3. **Board Action Recommended by the Superintendent**
 - A. **Superintendent** - None
 - B. **Personnel**: None
 - C. **Business and Finance** None
 - D. **CSE & CPSE Action/Meetings** – None
 - E. **Monthly Finance Report** - None
 - F. **Curriculum and Instruction** None
 - G. **Technology** – None
4. **Reports**
 - A. **Legal Counsel for the District** - None
 - B. **Superintendent of Schools** - None

President Sikhrangkur turned the meeting over to Mr. Gary Steffanetta.

Gary Steffanetta stated that the purpose for meeting this morning was to provide Mr. Moss with an opportunity to be heard in response to a challenge that had been made to his nominating petition. At the conclusion of this meeting, the Board will vote on whether to accept or reject Mr. Moss's nominating position. There are a number of exhibits which will become part of today's record, copies of which will be made available to Mr. Moss at his request. The Board's decision is guided by Section 2018 of the Education Law and relevant decisions of the Commissioner of Education. After the exhibits were marked and entered into the record, Mr. Steffanetta said that the Board at this time, will ask Mr. Moss if he had some information to share with the Board regarding his nominating petition which was filed on April 19, 2010.

2nd Vice President Lisa Johnson arrived at 8:20 AM.

Mr. Moss was sworn in and then he addressed the Board. He said that he had made a mistake by not entering the name of the candidate on his nominating petition and the Board should look into designing a petition that discloses everything necessary. He had been a student in Amityville Schools and wanted to give back to the District that had done so much for him. Mr. Moss's position was that this was a learning experience for everyone and we don't need the publicity. Therefore, he withdrew his petition and thanked the Board for their time.

At this time, Mr. Steffanetta advised the Board to acknowledge the withdrawal of the nominating petition of Mr. Moss.

Vice President Jordon-Thompson made a motion to accept the withdrawal of Mr. Moss's petition.

Trustee Ward seconded the motion. President Sikhrangkur read the resolution as follows:

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby acknowledges the withdrawal of the nominating petition submitted by Mr. Ronald Moss.

Motion CARRIED: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

MOTION to ADJOURN the Special Meeting at 8:29 AM made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by 2nd Vice President Johnson. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith O'Neill/District Clerk