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#### **BOARD OF EDUCATION**

# Amityville Union Free School District Amityville, NY 11701

# Regular Meeting Minutes –May 14, 2014

Park Avenue Memorial Elementary School – Auditorium - 7:00 PM

**LOCATION:** Park Avenue Memorial Elementary School - Auditorium

IN ATTENDANCE: President Lisa Johnson 1st Vice President Nathan King

2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Ronald A. Moss Trustee Jeannette Santos Trustee Kathleen Corbett Trustee Mark Epps

**ABSENT:** Trustee Terry Fulton

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Dr. Mary Kelly-Acting Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Joan Lange, Interim Asst. Supt. Curriculum & Instruction Mrs. Sydney Friefelder-Interim Asst. Supt. Finance & Operations

Ms. Bridgette D. Wilson, Director for Human Resources

Mrs. Fran Fernandez, Director of Fine Arts

Mr. Peter Paternostro, Administrator PPS/Sp. Ed./Central Registration

### SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr. Vincent Todisco, Asst. Principal, Northwest Elementary School

Mrs. Rose Hutcherson, Asst. Principal, Park Ave. Memorial Elementary School

Dr. Steven Kussin, Interim Principal, Edmund W. Miles Middle School

Mr. Ted Tsirigotis, Assistant Principal-EWMMS

Dr. Mary DeRose, Interim Principal, AMHS

Mr. Rod Wilkins, Interim Assistant Principal, AMHS

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Mr. Gary Steffanetta, Esq.- Guercio & Guercio

Ms. Victoria Cantrella, Esq. – Guercio & Guercio

Mr. Robert Claps, President, ATA

Mrs. Carol Seehof. Vice President. ATA

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

**COMMUNITY:** Approximately 85 members present.

1. Meeting Called to Order by Vice President King at 7:04 PM.

#### A. Emergency Exit, No Smoking 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 are you are seated. \*Smoking is not allowed on school grounds. \*As a courtesy, please turn off cell phones and pagers during the meeting.

#### B. Pledge of Allegiance

## C. Community Input Regarding Board Agenda Items Only – None

**Fran Fernandez** presented awards to District Art and Music students. Congratulations to all. (See Attachment #1.)

Dr. Joan Lange introduced Mrs. Debra Charles, Science teacher, and presented her with a Certificate of Accomplishment. Mrs. Charles said that Amityville has partnered with Farmingdale State College for the past four years and many of our students have been honored for their achievements in Science. Dr. Lange said that Assemblyman Robert Sweeney has presented a Certificate of Merit to both the Middle School and the High School for their achievements in science. Dr. Lange then introduced students and presented them with their awards.

Dr. Kelly announced that the Junior League had donated a playground to PAMES and it was now completed.

# 2. Board Action Recommended by the Board of Education

- A. Approval of Board Minutes
- 1. Draft #1 Regular Meeting January 15, 2014
- 2. Draft #1 Regular Meeting February 12, 2014
- 3. Draft #1 Special Meeting February 26, 2014
- 4. Draft #1 Special Meeting March 5, 2014
- 5. Draft #1 Regular Meeting March 12, 2014

**MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Item 2A-1 through 2A-5 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Santos. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

## B. Board Action Recommended by Board Policy Committee None

## C. Board Action Recommended by Board of Education

- 1. Establish Date of Annual Reorganization Meeting
- 2. Approval of Attendance NSSBA Annual Dinner Meeting

**MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Items 2C-1 and 2C-2 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Santos. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

At this time, President Johnson announced that the Board of Education has been looking for a new Superintendent and we have selected Dr. Mary Kelly as the new Superintendent of Schools. The Board feels that Dr. Kelly is the best possible leader for our district. Congratulations to Dr. Kelly.

Dr. Kelly thanked everyone and said that she was honored to serve the District as Superintendent and she needs everyone's support and collaboration.

**MOTION to AMEND** Agenda to include Agenda Item 2C-3 made by Trustee Santo, seconded by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Moss as follows:

*RESOLVED*, the Board of Education hereby accepts the resignation of Dr. Mary T. Kelly from the positions of Assistant Superintendent for Data and Technology and Acting Superintendent effective June 30, 2014 for the purpose of assuming the position of Superintendent of Schools effective July 1, 2014. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

**MOTION TO AMEND** Agenda to include Agenda Item 2C-4 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Santos as follows:

*RESOVED*, the Board of Education hereby appoints Dr. Mary T. Kelly to the position of Superintendent of Schools effective July 1, 2014 and hereby approves an employment agreement between the Board of Education and Dr. Mary T. Kelly covering the period July 1, 2014 through June 30, 2017 as fully discussed in Executive Session and hereby authorizes the President of the Board to execute said agreement on behalf of the Board. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

**MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Item 2C-3 as read made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Epps. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

**MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Item 2C-4 as read made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Moss, seconded by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President King. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

#### D. Audit Committee - TBA

## 3. Board Action Recommended by the Superintendent

- A. Acting Superintendent
- **B.** Personnel:

1. Appointment: Substitute Food Service Worker – Sicignano, T.

**MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Item 3B-1 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Moss, seconded by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

- 2. Intentionally Left Blank
- 3. Tenure Appointment Kathryn Riordan

**MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Item 3B-3 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Moss, seconded by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

- **4.** Leave of Absence W/O Pay: Special Education Teacher/MS Schmertzler, D.
- **5.** FMLA Leave of Absence: ESL Teacher/HS Carlucci, S.
- 6. FMLA & Leave of Absence W/O Pay: Social Studies Teacher/MS O'Hagan, J.
- 7. FMLA & Leave of Absence W/O Pay: ESL Teacher/NW Pariser, R.
- 8. Preferred Eligibility List Appointment: Mathematics Teacher/MS McLaughlin, D.

**MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Items 3B-4 through 3B-8 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Santos. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

#### C. Business and Finance

- 1. Intentionally Left Blank
- 2. Fund Raising
- **3.** Use of Facilities
- **4.** Health Service Contracts Other Schools

**MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Items 3C-1 through 3C-4 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Santos. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

- 5. Renew Transportation Contract One Year 2014-15 School Year
- **6.** Dispose of Fixed Assets
- 7. Accept Donation
- **8.** Employee Retirement Reserve Fund
- **9.** Worker's Compensation Reserve Fund
- **10.** Settlement of Claim

**MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Items 3C-5 through 3C-10 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Moss, seconded by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

# D. Monthly Finance Report

1. Month of March, 2014

**MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Item 3D-1 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Moss, seconded by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

# E. CSE & CPSE Action/Meetings None

- 1. Dove Rehabilitation Services
- 2. Variety Child Learning Center
- 3. St. James Tutoring
- 4. Health Source Group

- 5. East Meadow UFSD
- 6. Marion K. Salomon & Associates
- 7. Gayle E. Kligman Therapeutic Resources
- 8. Bilinguals d/b/a Achieve Beyond
- 9. New York Therapy Placement Services, Inc.
- 10. The Center for Developmental Disabilities, Inc.
- 11. Sensational Development Occupational Therapy
- 12. Little Flower UFSD
- 13. Easter Seals New York, Inc.
- 14. The Therapy Spot

**MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Items 3E-1 through 3E-14 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Santos. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

## F. <u>Curriculum and Instruction</u>

- 1. Approval of Conferences
- 2. Approval of NW &MS Local Assistance Plans

**MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Items 3F-1 and 3F-2 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Moss, seconded by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

#### 4. Reports

- A. <u>Legal Counsel for the District</u> None
- **B. Superintendent of Schools** –
- C. Board of Education -

## **Community Comments on Non Agenda Items:**

Robert Claps, President ATA – Concert for Chris LaMarca will be May 30, 4:00 PM at the high school. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 per student.

Susan Heenan, 2 Matthew Dr., Amityville – Asked for an update of the bullying committee.

Maresa Deasy, 40 Cheyenne Trail, Amityville - expressed sympathy for Mrs. Heenan.

President Johnson appointed Ronald A. Moss as District Clerk Pro Tem.

**MOTION to RECESS** to Executive Session at 8:25 Pm for particular person and employee history made by Trustee Santos, seconded by 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President King. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain. *Judith O'Neill left at 8:30 PM*.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith O'Neill, District Clerk

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** called to order by President Johnson at 8:30 PM.

**LOCATION:** PAMES Room 102

**IN ATTENDANCE:** 1st Vice President Nathan King 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Ronald A. Moss Trustee Jeannette Santos Trustee Kathleen Corbett

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Trustee Mark Epps

President Lisa Johnson

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**ACTION TAKEN:** None

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald A. Moss, District Clerk Pro Tem

**RESUME OPEN SESSION** at 9:56 PM.

**LOCATION:** Room 102

**IN ATTENDANCE:** 1st Vice President Nathan King 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Ronald A. Moss

Trustee Jeannette Santos Trustee Kathleen Corbett
Trustee Mark Epps President Lisa Johnson

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**2C-5** - Appointment of Additional Workers for the Amityville Trustee Election and Budget Vote **MOTION to AMEND** Agenda to add Agenda Item 2C-5 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Santos. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

**MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Item 2C-5 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Santos. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

**MOTION to AMEND** Agenda to Add Agenda Item 2C-6 made by Trustee Epps, seconded by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Moss as follows:

WHEREAS, a request has been made by two teachers for sabbatical leave during the 2014-15 school year pursuant to the agreement between the Board of Education and the Amityville Teachers' Association, and the granting of such leave is discretionary with the Board. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain. **MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Item 2C-6 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Santos. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

**MOTION to ADJOURN** Regular Meeting at 9:58 PM made by Trustee Epps, seconded by Trustee Dr. Corbett. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

Respectfully submitted,	
Ronald A. Moss, District	Clark Dro Tom