

BOARD OF EDUCATION  
Amityville Union Free School District, Amityville, NY 11701  
Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes – March 14, 2018

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The Meeting was called to order at 6:35 p.m. by President Dodd at Park Avenue North, Board Room

IN ATTENDANCE: Carolyn Dodd, President  
Juan Leon, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President  
Laura Pawlewicz, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President  
Susan Benard-Handler, Trustee  
Allie McDonough, Trustee  
Jeanette Santos, Trustee

ABSENT: Terry Fulton, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Mary T. Kelly, Superintendent of Schools  
Dr. Lois Etzel, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction  
Diane Castonguay, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations  
Carol Polney, Assistant Superintendent for Technology and Administrative Services  
Gary Steffanetta, Esq., Guercio & Guercio, LLP (arrived at 7:15 pm)  
Anthony Fasano, Esq., Guercio & Guercio, LLP

Motion to enter into Executive Session at 6:35 p.m. for the purpose of discussing negotiations pertaining to ATA and Security; matters pertaining to medical history of a particular person; and employment history of a particular person. Motion made by Ms. Santos; seconded by Mrs. Pawlewicz. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain. Mrs. Castonguay was appointed Clerk Pro Tem.

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Gary Steffanetta, Esq., Guercio & Guercio, LLP

Anthony Fasano, Esq., Guercio & Guercio, LLP

DISTRICT CLERK: Mary Jane Budde

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: 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 School  
Kristy Pagliari, Assistant Principal, Edmund W. Miles Middle School  
Maria Andreotti, Principal, Amityville Memorial High School  
Rose Hutcherson, Assistant Principal, Amityville Memorial High School  
Donna DeFreita, Assistant Principal, Amityville Memorial High School  
John Cardone, Dean, Amityville Memorial High School  
Peter Paternostro, Administrator PPS/Special Education/Central  
Registration  
Evan Farkas, Director of Athletics, Physical Education and Health/Nurses  
Mary Stephens, Director of English as a New Language and World  
Language  
Fran Fernandez, Director of Fine Arts  
Earl Mitchell, Dean of Students – E. W. Miles Middle School  
Robert Claps, President of ATA  
Carol Seehof, Vice President of ATA

Open Meeting resumed at 7:58 p.m.

COMMUNITY: 15

President Dodd led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **PRESENTATIONS**

- Drama Club students performed.
- Amityville Varsity Boys Basketball Team recognized.
- Park East Construction Corp. and Burton, Behrendt, Smith, PC - Capital Project Update
- Technology Plan Update
- Security Update
- Budget Workshop #4 – Administrative and Capital Component

### **COMMUNITY INPUT REGARDING BOARD AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

Heard questions and comments on the following topics: security, ethnic breakdown of guards; detailed breakdown by line-item; staffing for social workers in 2018-2019 budget; do security guards carry firearms; and status of Human Resources Director position.

## **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion to approve Agenda items 2A. 1-2 made by Ms. Benard-Handler, seconded by Mrs. Pawlewicz. Discussion: None. Motion Carried: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Draft #1 – Minutes of Board of Education Meeting 2/7/18
2. Draft #1 – Minutes of Board of Education Meeting 2/14/18

Motion to approve and adopt revised Policy #6700 and revised Regulation 6830R Agenda items 2B. 1-2 made by Ms. Benard-Handler, seconded by Mrs. Pawlewicz. Discussion: None. Motion Carried: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Revised Policy #6700 – Purchasing
2. Revised Regulation #6830R – Expense Reimbursement

Motion to approve Agenda items 2C. 1-3 made by Mrs. Pawlewicz, seconded by Mrs. Benard-Handler. Discussion: None. Motion Carried: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Notice of Annual Meeting
2. Approval of Election Inspectors for Library Vote
3. Approval of Western Suffolk BOCES Nominees

## **ACTION**

Motion to approve Agenda item 3A. 1-2 made by Mrs. Benard-Handler, seconded by Ms. McDonough. Discussion: None. Motion Carried: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Resolution regarding Smart Schools Investment Plan.
2. Resolution regarding request for student to remain in AUFSD.

## **PERSONNEL**

Motion to approve Agenda items 3B. 1-76 made by Mrs. Pawlewicz, seconded by Mrs. Benard-Handler. Discussion: None. Motion Carried: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Termination: Elementary Teacher/PA – Dobby, D.
2. Retirement: Clerk/Typist – Jordan, P.
3. Retirement: Monitor/PA – Wexler-Lamantia, J
4. Resignation: Teaching Assistant/NE – Watson, T.
5. Resignation: Security Guard – May, E.
6. Resignation: Special Education 1:1 Aide/PA – Carpenter, T.
7. Resignation: After-School Enrichment Program –Reiner, H.
8. Rescind Probationary Appointment: Spanish Speaking Clerk/Typist – Gomez, J.
9. Rescind Appointment: Spring Coach – Jackson, K.
10. Rescind Appointment: Spring Coach – Thomson, K.
11. FMLA: School Psychologist – Fried, K.

12. Intermittent FMLA: Elementary Teacher/NW – Heavey, L.
13. Intermittent Leave of Absence w/o Pay: Special Education 1:1 Aid/NW – Sicoli, B.
14. Extended Leave of Absence w/o Pay: Food Service Worker/NW – Berry, J.
15. Leave of Absence w/o Pay: Food Service Worker/MS – Russo, G.
16. Leave of Absence w/o Pay: Special Education 1:1 Aide/PA – Spence, E.
17. Probationary Appointment: Instructional Coach/PA – Duck, D.
18. Probationary Appointment: Account Clerk – Intrieri, C.
19. Appointment: Part-Time Special Education/Elementary Teacher/PA – Baxter, N.
20. Appointment: Special Education 1:1 Aide/PA – Jacobs, A.
21. Appointment: Monitor/MS – Moore-Rojas, F.
22. Appointment: Food Service Worker/NW – Lopez, S.
23. Appointment: Adult Education Program “Learn to Love Your IPAD” – Bayon, T.
24. Appointment: Adult Education Program “Social Media” – Bayon, T.
25. Appointment: Adult Education Program “Digital Photography” – Lee, E.
26. Appointment: Adult Education Program “Genealogy” – Miller, R.
27. Appointment: Adult Education Program “Yoga” – Wunderlich, T.
28. Appointment: Adult Education Program “Women’s Self Defense” – Wunderlich, T.
29. Appointment: Adult Education Program “Zumba” – Abreau, M.
30. Appointment: Adult Education Program “Cooking” – Ammirati, J.
31. Appointment: Adult Education Program “Intro to Spanish” – Castro, E.
32. Appointment: Adult Education Program “ESL” – Castro, E.
33. Appointment: Adult Education Program “CPR” – Gannon, C.
34. Appointment: Adult Education Program “Line Dancing” – Wilson, K.
35. Appointment: Curriculum Advisory Council Subcommittee – Pellegrino, R.
36. Appointment: After-School Enrichment Program – Roddin, L.
37. Appointment: AP Review – Schulken, J.
38. Appointment: AP Review – Rochester, S.
39. Appointment: Math Task Force – Bates, T.
40. Appointment: Math Task Force – Zwerling, C.
41. Appointment: Math Task Force – Buonomo, V.
42. Appointment: Math Task Force – Spatola, C.
43. Appointment: Math Task Force – Thompson, K.
44. Appointment: Math Task Force – Pfaffe, L.
45. Appointment: Math Task Force – Przech, U.
46. Appointment: Math Task Force – Harpaul, K.
47. Appointment: Math Task Force – Dauria, D.
48. Appointment: Math Task Force – Johnson, J.
49. Appointment: Math Task Force – Reiner, H.
50. Appointment: Math Task Force – Herz, D.
51. Appointment: Math Task Force – Heavey, L.
52. Appointment: Math Task Force – Naso, K.
53. Appointment: Math Task Force – Darling, K.
54. Appointment: Math Task Force – Nyholm, A.
55. Appointment: Spring Coach – Reiner, H.
56. Appointment: Spring Coach – Saunders, K.
57. Appointment: Spring Coach – Thompson, K.

58. Appointment: Security Guard – Bailey, S.
59. Appointment: Security Guard – Sutch, M.
60. Appointment: Security Guard – Bonilla, S.
61. Appointment: Security Guard – Durkin, M.
62. Appointment: Permanent Substitute Teacher/HS – Burke, K.
63. Appointment: Permanent Substitute Teacher/HS– Dempsey, V.
64. Appointment: Permanent Substitute Teacher/HS– Murillo, C.
65. Appointment: Permanent Substitute Teacher/PA – Dieterich, D.
66. Appointment: Permanent Substitute Teacher /PA– Baxter, N.
67. Appointment: Substitute Teacher – Gomez, E.
68. Appointment: Substitute Teacher – Mueger, T.
69. Appointment: Substitute Teacher – Elysee, B.
70. Appointment: Substitute Teacher – Hyde, B.
71. Appointment: Substitute Special Education 1:1 Aide – Hopp, K.
72. Appointment: Substitute Special Education 1:1 Aide – Crowley, P.
73. Appointment: Substitute Food Service Worker – Hernandez, T.
74. Appointment: Substitute Teaching Assistant – Urschel, M.
75. Appointment: Substitute Teacher – Salerno, D.
76. Appointment: Substitute Teaching Assistant – Scudero, M.

### **BUSINESS**

Motion to approve Agenda items 3C. 1-7 made by Mrs. Benard-Handler, seconded by Mrs. Pawlewicz. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Donations
2. Fundraising
3. Use of Facilities
4. Health Services Contracts - Other Schools
5. Budget Transfer
6. Capital Improvement – Middle School
7. Capital Improvement – Park Avenue

### **FINANCE**

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

1. Treasurer’s Report – January 2018

### **CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION**

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

1. Approval of Conferences

## **REPORTS**

Following reports from Superintendent Dr. Mary T. Kelly:

- Congratulated the top ten graduates;
- NY Islanders visit – Blades for Grades
- Deante Wilson – Wrestling Champion – Town of Babylon designated March 29<sup>th</sup> as “Deante Wilson Day.”
- Spring Season – Boys and Girls Track and Girls Lacrosse
- One Month Anniversary of the Parkland Shooting – Student Walk-Out; students honored those who died and their families by signing a banner to send to the Parkland High School to show support.

## **COMMUNITY INPUT REGARDING NON-BOARD AGENDA ITEMS ONLY**

Student thanked the administration for allowing the student assembly; student spoke about the events at the high school and that students have the power to change the world.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn Open Meeting at 9:43 p.m. made by Mr. Leon; seconded by Mrs. Benard-Handler. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.