

**APPROVED**  
2/9/2011

**MINUTES**  
**Board of Education**  
**Amityville Union Free School District**  
**Amityville, NY 11701**  
**Regular Meeting – January 13, 2011**  
**Park Avenue Memorial Elementary School – Auditorium – 7:00 PM**

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*The regularly scheduled monthly meeting of January 12, 2011 was cancelled until tonight due to inclement weather.*

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

**IN ATTENDANCE:** President Michele Sikhrangkur Vice President Juliet Jordon-Thompson  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Lisa Johnson Trustee Kathleen Ward  
Trustee Nathan King

**ABSENT:** Trustee Diane Koza Egglinger  
Trustee Charles Walters

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:** Dr. John R. Williams, Supt. of Schools  
Dr. Stephen Neidell-Interim Asst. Supt. Human Resources  
Dr. Mary Kelly-Assistant Supt. Technology  
Dr. Kathleen Gulbin – Asst. Supt. Curriculum & Instruction

**ABSENT:** Dr. William Fanning-Interim Asst. Supt. Finance & Operations

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

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

Dr. Scott Andrews-Principal-AMHS  
Ms. Doreen Buckley, Asst. Adm-PPS/Special Education  
Mr. Scott Bullis-Principal-PAMES  
Mr. Anthony Cerullo-Director-Physical Education, Health & Athletics  
Mrs. Pauline Collins-Principal-Northeast Elementary School  
Ms. Michele Darby-Asst. Principal-EWMMS  
Ms. Fran Fernandez-Director-Fine Arts  
Mr. Michael Fusaro, Director of Science  
Ms. Rose Hutcherson-Director-21<sup>st</sup> CCLC  
Mr. Claude Irwin-Director Mathematics  
Mr. Jonathan Klomp, Director of Social Studies  
Dr. Shirley Martin, Interim Principal – Northwest Elementary School  
Mr. Peter Paternostro, Administrator-Pupil Personnel Services  
Ms. Judy Riordan, Director of English  
Mr. Ed Mercurio-Plant Facilities Administrator

**COMMUNITY:** members present.

**SEE ATTACHED AGENDA FOR ITEMS.**

1. **Meeting Called to Order** by President Sikhrangkur at 7:05 PM.
  - A. **Emergency Exit, No Smoking 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**

**Presentations:**

Ms. Judy Riordan gave a presentation on the Literacy Teams in each building. The goal of the teams is to enhance students' literacy abilities. Ms. Riordan meets once a month with each team. (See attachment #1)

Mr. Scott Bullis presented his proposal for playground equipment at Park Ave. School. We are writing grants, recycling and planning fund raisers to raise money for the project.

*Trustee Walters arrived at 7:16 PM.*

**2. Board Action Recommended by the Board of Education:**

**C. Board Action Recommended by Board of Education**

1. Approval of 2011 Teachers' Retirement Incentive MOA
2. Approval of 2011 Supplemental Teachers' Retirement Incentive MOA
3. Review of Step III Grievance 2010-03

**MOTION to TABLE** Agenda Items 2C-1 through 2C-3 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

**D. Audit Committee – None**

**3. Board Action Recommended by the Superintendent**

**A. Superintendent - None**

**B. Personnel**

1. Resignation for Retirement: French Teacher-AMHS-Murphy, S.

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

2. Extended Leave of Absence W/O Pay: English Teacher-EWMMS-Carrua, M.

**MOTION to TABLE** Agenda Item 3B-2 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

3. Leave Replacement Appointment: Elementary Teacher-PAMES-Schwartz, M.
4. Leave Replacement Appointment: Elementary Teacher-PAMES-Sheerin, B.
5. Leave Replacement Appointment: Art Teacher-AMHS-Garofalo, C.

**MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Items 3B-3 through 3B-5 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

6. Appointment: Special Education 1:1 Aide – EWMMS-Martinez, N.

**MOTION to PULL** Agenda Item 3B-6 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

7. Appointment: Monitor-PAMES-Seiferheld, D.
8. Appointment: Teaching Additional Class-Special Ed-Ammirati, J.

**3. Board Action Recommended by the Superintendent**

**B. Personnel (cont'd):**

9. Appointment: Teaching Additional Class-Special Ed-Penick, K.
10. Appointment: Teaching Additonal Clase-Special Ed.-Feehan, R.
11. Appointment: Activity Advisor-Drama Music Director-Colletti, L.
12. Appointment: Stop Act Grant-Student Supervisor-Waterman, K.
13. Appointment: Stop Act Grant-Student Supervisor-Wilsher, K.
14. Appointment: Stop Act Grant-Student Supervisor-Paul, K.
15. Appointment: Stop Act Grant-Student Supervisor-Scott, J.
16. Appointment: Stop Act Grant-Community Mentor-Brewster, B.
17. Appointment: Cyber Success Academy-Teacher-Mussen, L.
18. Appointment: Cyber Success Academy-Teacher-Dillahunt, R.
19. Appointment: Cyber Success Academy-Teacher-Wilson, K.
20. Appointment: Cyber Success Academy-Teacher-Przech, U.
21. Appointment: Cyber Success Academy-Teacher-Marchino, M.
22. Appointment: Cyber Success Academy-Teacher-McLaughlin, D.
23. Appointment: Cyber Success Academy-Teaching Assistant-Licceese, J.
24. Appointment: Cyber Success Academy-Teaching Assistant-Courts, R.
25. Appointment: Cyber Success Academy-Teaching Assistant-Borycki, J.
26. Appointment: Cyber Success Academy-Teaching Assistant-Kaiser, G.
27. Appointment: Intramural Coach-EWMMS-McCabe, A.
28. Appointment: Intramural Coach-AMHS-Maisel, W.
29. Appointment: Intramural Coach-AMHS-Myers, V.
30. Appointment: Athletic Supervisor-Berning, L.
31. Appointment: Athletic Supervisor-Kraljic, B.
32. Appointment: Grade Level Leader-Math-Grade 3-Peragine, M.
33. Appointment: Virtual Academy-Substitute Teacher-Gibbons, S.
34. Appointment: Chaperone-Ferrara, C.
35. Appointment: Chaperone-Ramirez-Giglio, E.
36. Appointment: Chaperone- Kraljic, B.
37. Appointment: 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC-Advisor-Musso, D.
38. Appointment: 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC-Advisor-Balducci, K.
39. Appointment: 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC-Advisor-Hayes, E.
40. Appointment: 21<sup>st</sup> CCLC-Parent Liaison-Marque, J.
41. Appointment: Substitute Teacher-Guidance Counselor-Proulx, D.
42. Appointment: Substitute Teacher-Social Studies 7-12-Farina, E.
43. Appointment: Substitute Teacher-Physical Ed K-12-Herrschaft, D.
44. Appointment: Substitute Teacher-English 7-12-Schoenwaelder, S.
45. Appointment: Substitute Teacher-Chld Ed 1-6/Spec Ed-Sheerin, B.
46. Appointment: Substitute Teacher-Chld Ed 1-6-Schwartz, M.
47. Appointment: Substitute Teacher-Spanish 7-12-Pimentel, C.
48. Appointment: Substitute Teacher-Art-Garofalo, C.
49. Appointment: Substitute Teacher-Chld Ed B-6/Std w/dis B-6-Kienle, H.

**MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Items 3B-7 through 3B-49 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

**3. Board Action Recommended by the Superintendent**

**B. Personnel (cont'd):**

50. Appointment: Substitute Teacher-Guidance-TBD

**MOTION to TABLE** Agenda Item 3B-50 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

51. Appointment: Substitute Custodian-Emmerich, C.

52. Appointment: Substitute Clerk-Typist-D'Amato, D.

**MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Items 3B-51 and 3B-52 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

**C. Business and Finance**

1. Budget Transfer – Items 1 through 2

2. Acceptance of Donation from Suffolk County National Bank

3. Fund Raising Items 1 through 5

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

4. Use of Facilities – Items 1 through 6

**MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Item 3C-4 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Discussion:** The Board needed additional information. Vice President Jordon-Thompson withdrew her second, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Johnson withdrew her motion.

**MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3C-4/1** made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

**MOTION to TABLE Agenda Items 3C-4/2 through 3C-4/5** made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

**MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3C-4/6** made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Motion FAILED:** 3 Yes, 2 No (President Sikhrangkur, Vice President Jordon-Thompson voted No), 1 Abstain (Trustee King Abstained).

5. Health Service Contracts – Other Schools

**MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Item 3C-5 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

6. Use of Facilities – Shelton Jones Foundation

**MOTION to PULL** Agenda Item 3C-6 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

**D. Monthly Finance Report** - None

**E. CSE & CPSE Action/Meetings** –

1. Approval of Contract – Summit School at Nyack

**MOTION to TABLE Agenda Item 3E-1** Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

**F. Curriculum and Instruction**

1. Approval of Conferences – Items 1 through 19

**MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3F-1** made by Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

**G. Data and Technology** – None

**COMMUNITY COMMENTS –Non Agenda Items-** None

**4. Reports**

**A. Legal Counsel for the District** – Mr. Gary Steffanetta arrived at 8:30 PM and will report in Executive Session.

**B. Superintendent of Schools** – Dr. Williams reported the following:

Ms. Danielle Campbell from NEWS 12 filmed a segment at Northeast and Northwest Schools. She will inform the District of the air date. There will be many celebrations of Martin Luther King’s life. This year, the Ministerial Alliance will hold a celebration at Bethany Church in Copiague on Jan. 17.

*Mr. Gary Steffanetta arrived at 8:30 PM.*

President Sikhrangkur appointed 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Lisa Johnson as District Clerk Pro Tem.

**MOTION to RECESS to Executive Session at 8:32 PM** Personnel/Particular Person/Negotiations/Litigation made by Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

Respectfully submitted,

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Judith O’Neill/District Clerk

**EXECUTIVE SESSION** called to order at 8:35 PM by President Sikhrangkur.

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*Trustee King left at 9:30 PM and returned at 9:33 PM.*

*Mr. Gary Steffanetta left at 9:55 PM.*

**ACTION TAKEN:** None

Respectfully submitted,

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Lisa Johnson/District Clerk Pro Tem

**MOTION to RESUME Open Session at 10:19 PM** made by Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

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**MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 2C-1** Approval of 2011 Teachers' Retirement Incentive MOA made by Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

**MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 2C-2** Approval of 2011 Supplemental Teachers' Retirement Incentive MOA **as amended** made by Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

**MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 2C-3** Review of Step III Grievance 2010-03 made by Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

**MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3B-2-Extended Leave of Absence W/O Pay: English Teacher-EWMMS-Carrua, M.** made by Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

**MOTION to RESTORE Agenda Item 3B-6** Appointment: Special Education 1:1 Aide – EWMMS-Martinez, N. made by Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

**MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3B-6** Appointment: Special Education 1:1 Aide – EWMMS-Martinez, N. made by Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain..

**MOTION to ADJOURN Regular Meeting at 10:24 PM** made by Vice President Johnson, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

Respectfully submitted,

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Judith O'Neill/District Clerk