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

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES – February 11, 2010
Park Avenue Memorial Elementary School – Auditorium – 7:00 PM

LOCATION: Park Avenue Memorial Elementary School - Auditorium

IN ATTENDANCE: President Michele Sikhrangkur Vice President Juliet Jordon-Thompson
2nd Vice President Lisa Johnson Trustee Kathleen Ward
Trustee Charles Walters

ABSENT: Trustee Nathan King
Trustee Diane Koza Egglinger

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Dr. John R. Williams-Superintendent of Schools
Dr. William Fanning-INTERIM Asst. Supt. Finance & Operations
Dr. Mary Kelly-Assistant Supt. Technology
Dr. Kathleen Gulbin – Asst. Supt. Curriculum & Instruction
Dr. Stephen Neidell-Interim Asst. Supt. Human Resources
Mr. Gary Steffanetta, Esq.-Guercio & Guercio
Ms. Nancy Hark, Esq., - Guercio & Guercio
Mr. Jan Kalas-Architect-LZA Technology

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

Mr. Peter Hutchison, Asst. Prn. AMHS	Mr. Mark Pitterson, Prn. EWMMS
Mr. Robert Burnside, Asst. Prn. EWMMS	Mr. Scott Bullis, Asst. Prn. PAMES
Dr. Shirley Martin, Interim Prn. NW Elem. School	Mr. Peter Paternostro, Asst. PPS & Sp.
Ms. Judy Riordan, Director of English	Ms. Fran Fernandez-Director of Fine Arts
Mr. Michael Fusaro-Director of Science	Mr. Jonathan Klomp-Director of Social Studies
Mr. Ron Forman/Athletic Director	Mr. Ed Mercurio, Plant Facilities Administrator

COMMUNITY: 20 members present.

Due to inclement weather on February 10, the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education was rescheduled to February 11.

SEE ATTACHED AGENDA FOR ITEMS.

1. **Meeting Called to Order** by President Sikhrangkur at 7:05 PM.
 - 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.

PRESENTATIONS

Dr. Williams stated that the presentation of the Interact Club could which was scheduled for last night could not be rescheduled for tonight. They will be here in March.

2nd Vice President Johnson left at 7:08 PM. Trustee King arrived at 7:09 PM.

Mr. Jan Kalas discussed several options for installing solar power in the District's buildings.

Dr. Fanning gave a presentation on the budget (see attachment #1)

2nd Vice President Johnson returned at 7:21 PM.

Trustee Egglinger arrived at 7:35 PM.

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

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

A. **Approval of Board Minutes**

1. Revised Minutes – Special Meeting – November 4, 2009
2. Draft #2 – Regular Meeting – December 9, 2009
3. Draft #1 – Regular Meeting – January 13, 2010

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 2A-1 through 2A-3 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by 2nd Vice President Johnson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

B. **Board Action Recommended by Board Policy Committee** - TBA

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

D. **Audit Committee** – TBA

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

A. **Superintendent**

1. Approval of MSG Varsity Agreement reworded 02/11

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3A-1 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by 2nd Vice President Johnson. **Discussion:** MSG initiative was discussed. Attorneys are working on further concessions from MSG.

Vice President Jordon-Thompson pulled her motion and 2nd Vice President Johnson pulled her second.

MOTION to TABLE Agenda Item 3A-1 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by 2nd Vice President Johnson. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 NO, 0 Abstain.

B. **Personnel:**

1. Creation of Position – Spring Season – JV Assistant Softball
2. Division of Kickline Activity Club divided into two separate clubs
3. Resignation: Teacher – Guidance – Alt HS – Akapnitis, A.
4. Leave of Absence w/o Pay – Special Ed Teacher – PAMES – Gibbons, S.
5. Leave of Absence w/o Pay – 1:1 Aides – AMHS – Robinson, L.
6. Leave of Absence w/o Pay – P/T Food Service Worker – EWMMS – Swift, J.
7. Appointment: Extended Leave Replacement – Sp. Ed. Teacher–PAMES–Gambino, E.
8. Appointment: Spring Coach – Varsity Baseball – Roth, C.
9. Appointment: Spring Coach – Asst Varsity Baseball – Diot, C.
10. Appointment: Spring Coach – JV Baseball – Greiss, M.
11. Appointment: Spring Coach – MS Baseball – Claps, R.

B. Personnel (cnt'd):

12. Appointment: Spring Coach – JV Softball – Pesale, T.
13. Appointment: Spring Coach – Asst JV Softball – Akapnitis, A.
14. Appointment: Spring Coach – MS – Softball – Limanni, F.
15. Appointment: Spring Coach – JV Boys Tennis – Pellegrino, R.
16. Appointment: Spring Coach – Varsity Boys Track – Hawkins, R.
17. Appointment: Spring Coach – Asst Varsity Boys Track – Pollock, D.
18. Appointment: Spring Coach – MS Boys Track – Miller, M.
19. Appointment: Spring Coach – Varsity Girls Track – Guild, E.
20. Appointment: Spring Coach – Asst Varsity Girls Track – Duguay, P.
21. Appointment: Spring Coach – MS Girls Track – Graham, D.
22. Appointment: Spring Coach – Special Olympics – Karafantis, G.
23. Appointment: Spring Coach – Asst Special Olympics – Martinez, C.
24. Appointment: Virtual Academy – Administrator – Lindenfeld, S.
25. Appointment: Teacher – Guidance – Alt HS – Parisi, K.
26. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone – Duguay, P.
27. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone – Karafantis, G.
28. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone – Hovorka, A.
29. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone – Weber, M.
30. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone – Pesale, T.
31. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone – Glaser, J.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3B-1 through 3B-31 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by 2nd Vice President Johnson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion.
Motion CARRIED: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

32. Appointment: 21st Century Grant-Volunteer-Providence, S.
33. Appointment: 21st Century Grant-Volunteer-Outieri, D.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3B-32 and 3B-33 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by 2nd Vice President Johnson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion.
Motion CARRIED: 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

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42. Appointment: Cap & Gown Coordinator – Weber, M.
43. Appointment: Substitute Teacher – Biology 7-12 – Szoyka, A.
44. Appointment: Substitute Teacher – Math 7-12 – Varughese, J.

B. Personnel (cnt'd):

45. Appointment: Substitute Teacher – Spanish 7-12 – Marena, A.
46. Appointment: Substitute Teacher – Std w/dis B-6/Early Chld B-6 – Chwalisz, D.
47. Appointment: Substitute Teacher – Special Ed. – Coryell, E.
48. Appointment: Substitute Teacher – School Counselor – Long, J.
49. Appointment: Substitute Teacher – English 7-12 – DeVema, E.
50. Appointment: Substitute Teacher – Art – Ambrosio, C.
51. Appointment: Substitute Teacher – Std w/dis B-6/Early Chld B-6 – Weingartner, K.
52. Appointment: Substitute Food Service Worker – Smith-Sirin, L.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3B-42 through 3B-52 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by 2nd Vice President Johnson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

53. Appointment: 21st Century – Teacher – Clairborne, L.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3B-53 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by 2nd Vice President Johnson. **Discussion:** Dr. Gulbin stated that Agneda Items 3B-53 through 3B-76 were grant funded positions and they were just approved. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

54. Appointment: Saturday ELA Academy – Coordinator-EWMMS – Riordan, J.
55. Appointment: Saturday ELA Academy – Coordinator-EWMMS – Darby, M.
56. Appointment: Saturday ELA Academy – Teacher-EWMMS – Clairborne, L.
57. Appointment: Saturday ELA Academy – Teacher-EWMMS – Turchi, J.
58. Appointment: Saturday ELA Academy – Teacher-EWMMS – Wallenstein, C.
59. Appointment: Saturday ELA Academy – Teacher-EWMMS – Meyer, S.
60. Appointment: Saturday ELA Academy – Teacher-EWMMS – Morgan, B.
61. Appointment: Saturday ELA Academy – Teacher-EWMMS – Finizio, N.
62. Appointment: Saturday ELA Academy – Teacher-EWMMS – De Salvio, K.
63. Appointment: Saturday ELA Academy – Teacher-EWMMS – Peshler, J.
64. Appointment: Saturday ELA Academy – Teacher-EWMMS – Persaud, A.
65. Appointment: Saturday ELA Academy – Teacher-EWMMS – Gafarian, S.
66. Appointment: Saturday ELA Academy – Teacher-EWMMS – Roddin, L.
67. Appointment: Saturday ELA Academy – Teacher-EWMMS – Graham, D.
68. Appointment: Saturday ELA Academy – Teacher-EWMMS – Karounos, O.
69. Appointment: Saturday ELA Academy – Teacher-EWMMS – Scott, J.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3B-54 through 3B-69 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by 2nd Vice President Johnson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

70. Appointment: After School Cyber-Success Academy-EWMMS-ESL Teacher-Mussen, L.
71. Appointment: After School Cyber-Success Academy-EWMMS-Teacher-Dilahunt, R.

B. Personnel (cnt'd):

72. Appointment: After School Cyber-Success Academy-EWMMS-Teacher-Marchino, M.
73. Appointment: After School Cyber-Success Academy-EWMMS-Teacher-Przech, U.
74. Appointment: After School Cyber-Success Academy-EWMMS-Teacher-Katsigioris, J.
75. Appointment: After School Cyber-Success Academy-EWMMS-Teacher-Buckley, J

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3B-70 through 3B-75 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by 2nd Vice President Johnson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

76. Resignation: 21st Century Grant Site Coordinator – Kellerman, S.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3B-76 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by 2nd Vice President Johnson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

C. Business and Finance

1. Budget Transfers – Items 1 through 6
2. Use of Facilities
3. Declare Office Equipment – Items 1 through 3
4. Dispose of Damaged Books – Items 1 through 44
5. Terminate Unemployment Service Contract
6. Award Unemployment Service Contract
7. Fund Raising – Items 1 through 5
8. Health Services Contracts – Items 1 through 3
9. Authorize Workers' Comp Claims Review
10. Award of Bid for Wrestling Mats

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3C-1 through 3C-10 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by 2nd Vice President Johnson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

D. CSE & CPSE Action/Meetings

1. Marion K. Salomon & Associates - SEDCAR
2. ACLD – Adults and Children with Learning and Developmental Disabilities – SEDCAR

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3D-1 and 3D-2 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by 2nd Vice President Johnson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

E. Monthly Finance Report:

1. December, 2009

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3E-1 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by 2nd Vice President Johnson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

F. Curriculum and Instruction

1. Approval of Awareness Weekend Speakers
2. Approval of Legacy Pathways, LLC Agreement

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3F-1 and 3F-2 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by 2nd Vice President Johnson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

G. Technology – None

4. Reports

A. Legal Counsel for the District - Mr. Steffanetta will report in Executive Session.

B. Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Williams said that Reynolds Hawkins had been chosen to represent the Long Island Partners at St. Vincent in the Grenadines. He will share his expertise to help them develop a Youth Employment Through Sports Plan. Peter Hutchison is the recipient of the 2009-2010 National Assistant Principal of the Year Award for his outstanding achievements in school administration. The Middle School basketball team completed their second undefeated year coached by Ted Tsirigotis. Basketball Varsity Coach Jack Agostino recently won his 400th basketball game. Due to Dr. Neidell's initiative, the District has received a Teachers of Tomorrow Grant which will provide additional salaries to new teachers.

President Sikhrangkur appointed 2nd Vice President Lisa Johnson as District Clerk Pro Tem.

MOTION to RECESS to Executive Session at 9:26 PM for Personnel/Particular Person and Negotiations made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by 2nd Vice President Johnson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

Judith O'Neill left at 9:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith O'Neill/District Clerk

Trustee Ward left at 9:36 PM and returned at 9:40 PM.

EXECUTIVE SESSION called to order by President Sikhrangkur at 9:41 PM.

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ACTION TAKEN: None

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Johnson/District Clerk Pro Tem

MOTION to RESUME Open Session at 10:45 PM made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by 2nd Vice President Johnson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

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3B-1 - Approval of MSG Varsity Agreement reworded 02/11

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3B-1 (tabled earlier) made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by 2nd Vice President Johnson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion FAILED:** 0 Yes, 3 No (President Sikhrangkur, Vice President Jordon-Thompson and Trustee Koza Egglinger voted no), 4 Abstain (2nd Vice President Johnson and Trustees Walters, King & Ward abstained).

MOTION to ADJOURN Regular Meeting at 10:50 PM made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by 2nd Vice President Johnson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Johnson/District Clerk Pro Tem