

Minutes approved
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MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
AMITYVILLE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Amityville, New York 11701
REGULAR MEETING – February 13, 2008
Park Avenue Memorial Elementary School – Auditorium – 7:00 PM

LOCATION: Park Avenue Elementary School - Auditorium

IN ATTENDANCE: President Michele Sikhrangkur Vice President Juliet Jordon-Thompson
Trustee Charles Walters Trustee Elisabeth LaRosa
Trustee Nathan King Trustee Lisa Johnson

ABSENT: Trustee Diane Koza Egglinger

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Dr. John Williams-Interim Superintendent of Schools
Mrs. Susan Schnebel- Assistant Supt. Curriculum & Instruction
Ms. Lisa Kontente-Assistant to Supt. Human Resources
Mr. Ray Keenan, Esq.-Guercio & Guercio

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Mrs. Betsy Gorman Demmers, Principal-PAMES Mr. Michael Febraro, Assist. Principal-PAMES
Mrs. Stacey Fischer, Principal-NW Elem. School Ms. Pauline Watts-Collins, Principal-NE Elem. School
Ms. Jodi Shapiro, Assist. Adm. PPS & Sp. Ed. Ms. Virginia Riccardi-School News Co-ordinator, Syntax

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

COMMUNITY: 75 members present.

SEE ATTACHED AGENDA FOR ITEMS.

1. Meeting Called to Order by President Sikhrangkur called the meeting to order at 7:13 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.

Accompanied by Music Teacher Leonora Colletti, Amityville Memorial High School student Christian Code performed the Negro National Anthem for the Board, Administration and public.

President Sikhrangkur appointed Vice President Jordon-Thompson as District Clerk Pro Tem.

C. Community Input Regarding Board Agenda Items Only-

2. Board Action Recommended by the Board of Education

A. Approval of Board Minutes-None

B. Board Action Recommended by Board Policy Committee:

1. Approval of E-Mail Acceptable Use Policy – Review Final

MOTION to Approve Agenda Item 2B-1 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King.

Discussion: Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

C. Board Action Recommended by Board of Education:

1. Approval naming the new track facility at AMHS the Donald Gerard (Jerry) Pollock Track Facility

MOTION to Approve Agenda Item 2C-1 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King.

Discussion: Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

2. Approval of Dr. John R. Williams as Superintendent of Schools

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 2C-2 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King.

Discussion: Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

Mr. Keenan administered the Oath of Office to Dr. Williams. Both staff members and public members offered congratulations to Dr. Williams and thanked the Board for their efforts in the search for a Superintendent.

D. Audit Committee

1. Review of the Financial Reports

3. Board Action Recommended by the Superintendent:

A. General Administrative Resolutions:

1. Approval of Attendance to Conferences – Items 3A-1/1 – 3A-1/21

MOTION to AMEND Agenda Item 3A-1 to read Agenda Items 3A-1/1 through 3A-1/37 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion.

Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain

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

2. Approval of Awareness Weekend Speakers for Feb/Mar 2008 – Items 3A-2/1 – 3A-2/3

3. Approval of SES Provider Contract – Totley's Inc.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3A-2 & 3A-3 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain**

B. Personnel Changes:

1. Creation of Position – Permanent Substitute Teachers

MOTION to Table Agenda Item 3B-1 Agenda Item 3A-2 & 3A-3 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain**

2. Creation of Robotics Club - AMHS

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3B-2 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain**

3. Approval of the Plant Facilities Administrator Contract

MOITON to APPROVE Agenda Item 3B-3 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Trustee King noted that the facilities are looking better thanks to Steve Brathwaite, Plant Facilities Administrator. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

4. Appointment: Science Director – TBD

MOTION to PULL Agenda Item 3B-4 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

5. Rescind Probationary Appointment: Teaching Assistant/AMHS-Horodyski, T.

6. Rescind Appointment: Permanent Secondary Substitute Teacher – Stein, P.

7. Resignation: School Counselor/PAMES/ALT HS – Rodriguez, C.

8. Resignation: School Counselor/HS-Riordan, J.

9. Resignation: Senior Clerk Typist/NE-Lattari, L.

10. Extended Leave of Absence W/O Pay: Senior Clerk /Typist-Confidential Secretary-Muller, S.

11. Revised Appointment: Teaching Additional Class-English/EWMMS-Attansio, D.

12. Revised Appointment: Teaching Additional Class-Science/EWMMS-Quigley, C.

13. Revised Appointment: Teaching Additional Class-Science/EWMMS-Romeo, V.

14. Revised Appointment: Teaching Additional Class-Technology/EWMMS-Weber, R

15. Probationary Appointment: Special Education Teacher/PAMES-Hughes, K.

16. Probationary Appointment: Science Teacher/EWMMS-Mariano, M.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3B-5 through 3B-16 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

17. Probationary Appointment: School Counselor/TBD

MOTION to PULL Agenda Item 3B-17 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

18. Probationary Appointment: Teaching Assistant/PAMES-Fredericks, S.

19. Probationary Appointment: Teaching Assistant/EWMMS- Rosier, K.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3B-18 & 3B-19 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

20. Leave Replacement Appointment: Psychologist/AMHS-TBD

MOTION to PULL Agenda Item 3B-20 19 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

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3. Board Action Recommended by the Superintendent:

B. Personnel Changes (cont'd)

21. Leave Replacement Appointment: P/t Food Service Worker/AMHS – Manning, L.

22. Appointment: Coach/Varsity Baseball-Roth, C.

23. Appointment: Coach/JV Baseball-Cardone, J.

24. Appointment: Coach/JV Softball-Marien, K.

25. Appointment: Varsity Boys Track-Hawkins, R.

26. Appointment: Coach/Asst Varsity Boys Track-Pollock, D.

27. Appointment: Coach/Varsity Girls Track-Guild, E.

28. Appointment: Coach/Asst Varsity Girls Track-Cromarty, W.

29. Appointment: JV Boys Tennis-Pellegrino, R.

30. Appointment: Coach/Varsity Golf-Seubert, J.

31. Appointment: Coach/'B' Level Baseball – Claps, R.

32. Appointment: Coach /'B' Level Softball – Keenan, K.

33. Appointment: Coach /'B' Level Track (Boys/Girls) – Miller, M.

34. Appointment: Coach /Asst 'B' Level Track (Boys/Girls) – Hamilton, I.

35. Appointment: Coach /Special Olympics Coach - Brett, E.

36. Appointment: Coach /Asst Special Olympics Coach – De Paolo, R.

37. Appointment: Homework Center /Social Studies/AMHS – Maisel, S.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3B-21 through 3B-37 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

38. Appointment: Homework Center Science/AMHS – TBD

MOTION to PULL Agenda Item 3B-38 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King.

Discussion: Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

39. Appointment: Homework Center Science/AMHS – Kilfoil, C.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3B-39 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King.

Discussion: Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

40. Appointment: Homework Center Science/AMHS – TBD

MOTION to PULL Agenda Item 3B-40 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King.

Discussion: Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

41. Appointment: Homework Center Math /AMHS – Spatola, C.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3B-41 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King.

Discussion: Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

42. Appointment: Homework Center Math /AMHS – TBD

MOTION to PULL Agenda Item 3B-42 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King.

Discussion: Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

43. Appointment: Homework Center English/AMHS – Katsigiorgis, J.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3B-43 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King.

Discussion: Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

44. Appointment: Homework Center English/AMHS – TBD

MOTION to PULL Agenda Item 3B-44 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King.

Discussion: Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

45. Appointment: Homework Center Special Education /AMHS – Coughlin, M.

46. Appointment: After School Math Prep/EWMMS – Frey, R.

47. Appointment: After School Math Prep/EWMMS – Metz, C.

48. Appointment: After School Math Prep/EWMMS –Hyland, K.

49. Appointment: After School Math Prep/EWMMS – Allen, R.

50. Appointment: ELO Teacher/ELA/Social Studies-Asbell, M.

51. Appointment: ELO Teacher/ELA/Social Studies-Finzio, N.

52. Appointment: ELO Teacher/ELA/Social Studies-Herz, D.

53. Appointment: ELO Teacher/Math/Science-Roddin, L.

3. Board Action Recommended by the Superintendent:

B. Personnel Changes (cont'd)

- 54. **Appointment:** ELO Teacher/Math/Science-Naso, K.
- 55. **Appointment:** Teaching Additional Class/School Counselor/Alt. HS-Merle, S.
- 56. **Appointment:** Chief Custodian/EWMMS-Fuzie, W.
- 57. **Appointment:** Activity Advisor/Robotics Club Advisor-Loiacono, Mary Ellen
- 58. **Appointment:** Band Director-Altamura, N.
- 59. **Appointment:** Chaperone-Sciolino, J.
- 60. **Appointment:** Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration/Nurse-Busch, C.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3B-45 through 3B-60 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

- 61. **Appointment:** Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration/Nurse-TBD

MOTION to PULL Agenda Item 3B-61 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

- 62. **Appointment:** Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration/Clerical-Cammaroto, D.
- 63. **Appointment:** Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration/Clerical-Kuperstein, S.
- 64. **Appointment:** Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration/Clerical-Paul, K.
- 65. **Appointment:** Pre-K and Kindergarten Registration/Clerical-O'Neill, J.
- 66. **Appointment:** Awareness Weekend Chaperone-Whitney, S.
- 67. **Appointment:** Awareness Weekend Chaperone-Wunderlich, E.
- 68. **Appointment:** Awareness Weekend Chaperone-Lynch, B.
- 69. **Appointment:** Awareness Weekend Chaperone-Castro, E.
- 70. **Appointment:** Awareness Weekend Chaperone-King, G.
- 71. **Appointment:** Awareness Weekend Chaperone-Cammaroto, C.
- 72. **Appointment:** Awareness Weekend Chaperone-De Paolo, R.
- 73. **Appointment:** Awareness Weekend Chaperone-McGowan, J.
- 74. **Appointment:** Awareness Weekend Chaperone-Milan, L.
- 75. **Appointment:** Awareness Weekend Chaperone-Duguay, P.
- 76. **Appointment:** Awareness Weekend Chaperone-Hovorka, A.
- 77. **Appointment:** Awareness Weekend Chaperone-Dauria, D.
- 78. **Appointment:** Awareness Weekend Chaperone-Frers, B.
- 79. **Appointment:** Awareness Weekend Chaperone-Hammill, J.
- 80. **Appointment:** Athletic Supervisor-Gaskins, C.
- 81. **Appointment:** Athletic Supervisor-Allen, B.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3B-62 through 3B-81 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

- 82. **Appointment:** Permanent Elementary Substitute-Pearson, C.

- 83. **Appointment:** Permanent Elementary Teacher-Esposito, J.

MOTION to TABLE Agenda Items 3B-82 and 3B-83 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

- 84. **Appointment:** Substitute Clerk/Typist- Scarpa, C.

- 85. **Appointment:** Substitute Clerk/Typist- Johnson, L.

- 86. **Appointment:** Substitute Custodian-Mungin, S.

- 87. **Appointment:** Clerk Typist/AMHS-Florida, D.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3B-84 through 3B-87 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

- 88. **Appointment:** Temporary Account Clerk/PA Administration-Olsen, E.

MOTION to PULL Agenda Item 3B-88 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

- 89. **Appointment:** Awareness Weekend Chaperone-Gomez, S.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3B-89 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

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C. Business and Finance:

1. **Budget Transfer**-Items 3C-1/1 – 3C-1/9
2. **Fund Raising**-Items 3C-2/1 – 3C-2/5

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3C-1 and 3C-2 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

3. **Fund Raising**-Items 3C-3/1 – 3C-3/8

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3/1 through 3C/3 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

MOTION to PULL Agenda Item 3C-3/4 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

MOTION to APPROVE agenda Items 3C-3/5 through 3C-3/8 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

4. **Excessing of Unrepairable Equipment** – Item 3C-4/1
5. **Donations** – Items 3C-5/1 – 3C-5/3
6. **Telephone Maintenance Agreement**
7. **Health Services Contract**

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3C-4 through 3C-7 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

D. CSE & CPSE Actions/Meetings:

1. **Approval of Contract for Educational Services with the Rehabilitation Institute**

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

MOTION to AMEND Agenda to Include Agenda Items 3C-8, 3C-9 and 3C-10 (Attached) made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3C-8, 3C-9 and 3C-10 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

MOTION to ADJOURN to AUDIT COMMITTEE MEETING at 8:34 PM made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

Respectfully submitted,

Judith O'Neill/District Clerk

MOTION to RESUME Open Session at 8:35 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED: 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.**

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

The Board took no further action on Agenda Items 3B-1, 3B-82 & 3B-83.

Mrs. Schnebel left at 11:00 and returned at 11:05 PM.

MOTION to ADJOURN Regular Meeting at 11:06 PM made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee King. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith O'Neill/ District Clerk