BOARD OF EDUCATION

Amityville Union Free School District, Amityville, NY 11701 Regular Meeting Minutes – November 9, 2016

The Meeting was called to order at 6:38 p.m. by President Fulton at Park North Board Room.

Motion to enter to Executive Session at 6:39 p.m. for the purpose of conducting an interview for the Assistant Principal for Park Avenue School, discuss ACES negotiations and to consult with school attorney pending litigations made by 2nd Vice President Dodd and seconded by Trustee Pawlewicz. Diane Castonguay was appointed Clerk Pro Tem.

IN ATTENDANCE: Terry Fulton, President

Jeannette Santos, 1st Vice President Carolyn Dodd, 2nd Vice President Susan Benard-Handler, Trustee

Juan Leon, Trustee

Laura Pawlewicz, Trustee

Dr. Mary T. Kelly, Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Lois Etzel, Interim Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction

Diane Castonguay, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations Carole Polney, Assistant Superintendent for Technology and Administrative

Services

Gary Steffanetta, Esq., Guercio & Guercio, LLP Anthony Fasano, Esq., Guercio & Guercio, LLP

Alan Yu, Cullen & Danowski LLP

ABSENT:

Lisa Johnson, Trustee

Motion to resume Open Meeting at 7:40 p.m. made by 2nd Vice President Dodd and seconded by Trustee Pawlewicz. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain

IN ATTENDANCE: Terry Fulton, President

Jeannette Santos, 1st Vice President Carolyn Dodd, 2nd Vice President Susan Benard-Handler, Trustee

Juan Leon, Trustee

Laura Pawlewicz, Trustee

ABSENT:

Lisa Johnson, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT:

Dr. Mary T. Kelly, Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Lois Etzel, Interim Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction

Diane Castonguay, Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations Carole Polney, Assistant Superintendent for Technology and Administrative

Services

Gary Steffanetta, Esq., Guercio & Guercio, LLP Anthony Fasano, Guercio & Guercio, LLP

Eileen Becker, District Clerk Dr. Pauline Collins, Principal NE

Kathleen Hyland, Assistant Principal NW Robyn Santiago, Principal. PAMES

Dennis Ricci, Assistant Principal, PAMES

Ed Plaia, Principal, EWMS

Kristy Pagliari, Assistant Principal, EWMMS

Earl Mitchell, Dean of Students, EWMMS

Dr. Clinton Grant, Principal AMHS

Donna DeFreitas, Assistant Principal, AMHS

John Cardone, Dean of Students, AMHS

Peter Paternostro, Administrator Special Education and Pupil Personnel Services

Sandra Parmentier, Ass't Administrator Special Education and PPS

D. Fran Fernandez, Director for Fine Arts Department

Evan Farkas, Director for Physical Education, Health and Athletics

Mary Stephens, Director for ENL and World Languages Rose Hutcherson, Assistant Principal Virtual Academy

COMMUNITY:

15 Present

PRESENTATIONS

- 1. Boys' Varsity Soccer Team honored with certificates for their Long Island Champion title and they are on their way to State.
- 2. Students and parents spoke of the advantages of the Black College Tour and their concern that this opportunity continues.
- **3.** Gary Schiede of BBS Architects and Derek Knatz of Park East Construction updated the Board and audience of the status of the high school gymnasium.

BOARD ACTION

Motion to approve Agenda Item 2C-1 made by 2nd Vice President Dodd; seconded by 1st Vice President Santos. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Approval NSBA Conference

PERSONNEL

Motion to approve Agenda Items 3B-1 through 3B-68 made by 2nd Vice President Dodd; seconded by Trustee Pawlewicz. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain

- 1. Rescind Appointment: Virtual Academy Reading Teacher Seehof, C.
- 2. Revised Appointment: Virtual Academy Coordinator Kilfoil, C.
- 3. Revised Appointment: Virtual Academy Coordinator Milan, L.
- 4. Revised Leave Replacement Appointment: Special Education Teacher/PA Tsunis, J.
- 5. Appointment: Substitute Special Education 1:1 Aide Purse, A.
- 6. Appointment: Substitute Special Education 1:1 Aide Romanelli, A.
- 7. Resignation: Attendance Teacher/HS Robinson, N.
- 8. Resignation: Food Service Worker/HS Reichbach, S.
- 9. Appointment: Chaperone Keaveny, N.
- 10. Appointment: Chaperone Jessup, B.
- 11. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Abbondondolo, M.
- 12. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Asbell, G.
- 13. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Beard, L.
- 14. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Bielecka, B.
- 15. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Baloga, P.
- 16. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Brower, T.
- 17. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Bueno, R.
- 18. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Castro, E.
- 19. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Corporan, R.

- 20. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Ellis, J.
- 21. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Feehan, R.
- 22. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Fulford, A.
- 23. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Gannon, C.
- 24. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Garofalo, C.
- 25. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Howard, M.
- 26. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Lynch, B.
- 27. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone McCoy, G.
- 28. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone McGowan, J.
- 29. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Morenus, K.
- 30. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Sipp, M.
- 31. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Spence, E.
- 32. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Tomasi, M.
- 33. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Tricarico, K.
- 34. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Watkins, M.
- 35. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Wilson, T.
- 36. Appointment: Awareness Weekend Chaperone Whitney, S.
- 37. Appointment: Athletic Supervisor Ruta, A.
- 38. Appointment: Athletic Supervisor Zwerling, C.
- 39. Appointment: Athletic Supervisor Forman, R.
- 40. Appointment: Athletic Supervisor Carbo, S.
- 41. Appointment: Athletic Supervisor Castro, N.
- 42. Appointment: Athletic Supervisor Bueno, R.
- 43. Appointment: Athletic Supervisor Brooks, N.
- 44. Appointment: Athletic Supervisor Kretz, W.
- 45. Appointment: Intramural Coach/HS/PA Diot, C.
- 46. Appointment: Intramural Coach/HS Duncanson, S.
- 47. Appointment: Substitute Food Service Worker McAuley, A.
- 48. Rescind Appointment: JV Girls Basketball Coach Germain, P.
- 49. Appointment: MS Girls Cheerleading Coach Wilson, K.
- 50. Appointment: MS Girls Cheerleading Coach Romeo, C.
- 51. Revised Leave Replacement Appointment: Physical Education Teacher/NE Abreu, A.
- 52. Appointment: National Jr. Art Honor Society Activity Advisor/MS Scoca, N.
- 53. Probationary Appointment: Nurse/DW Butler, D.
- 54. Appointment: Monitor/PA Albarella, T.
- 55. Appointment: Substitute Monitor Romanelli, A.
- 56. Appointment: Virtual Academy Sub Teacher Trotman, J.
- 57. Resignation: Security Guard Burns, C.
- 58. Leave of Absence W/O Pay: Special Education Teacher/MS Budnick, R.
- 59. FMLA: Elementary Teacher/NW Ferguson, J.
- 60. Rescind Appointment: Permanent Substitute Teacher/MS Underberg, D.
- 61. Resignation: Special Education 1:1 Aide/PA Pyatt, M.
- 62. Increase in Hours: Monitor/NW Crowley, K.
- 63. Revised Appointment: Part-Time Social Studies Teacher/HS Haensch, J.

- 64. Revised Appointment: Permanent Substitute Teacher/HS Haensch, J.
- 65. Appointment: Mentor McCoy, G.
- 66. Appointment: Mentor Spatola, C.
- 67. Appointment: Mentor Garafano, C.
- 68. Appointment: Mentor Marchino, M.

BUSINESS

Motion to approve Agenda Items 3C-1 through 3C-6 made by 2nd Vice President Dodd; seconded by Trustee Pawlewicz. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 No.

- 1. Budget Transfer
- 2. Fund Raising
- 3. Use of Facilities
- 4. Joint Municipal Cooperative Bidding
- 5. Approval of Transportation Contracts
- 6. Accept Independent External Audit from Cullen & Danowski, LLP.

FINANCE

Motion to approve Agenda Item 3D-1 made by 1st Vice President Santos; seconded by 2nd Vice President Dodd. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Treasurer's Report for September, 2016

SERVICE CONTRACTS

Motion to approve Agenda Items 3E-1 through 3E-14 made by 2nd Vice President Dodd; seconded by Trustee Pawlewicz. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

- 1. SEDCAR Center for Developmental Disabilities Inc.
- 2. SEDCAR Leeway School
- 3. SEDCAR UCP Nassau
- 4. SEDCAR The Hagedorn Little Village School
- 5. SEDCAR Cleary School for the Deaf
- 6. SEDCAR Kidz Therapy Services, PLLC
- 7. SEDCAR Variety Child Learning Center
- 8. SEDCAR Division of Services For Children with Special Needs
- 9. SEDCAR Mill Neck Manor School
- 10. SEDCAR School for Language & Communication
- 11. SEDCAR Developmental Disabilities Institute
- 12. SEDCAR Nassau BOCES
- 13. SEDCAR ACDS
- 14. Syosset Home Tutoring

CURRICULUM

Motion to approve Agenda Item 3F-1 through 3F-5 made by 2nd Vice President Dodd; seconded by Trustee Pawlewicz. Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

- 1. Approval of Conferences
- 2. Approval Awareness Weekend Speakers
- 3. Approval of LAP PAMES
- 4. Approval of LAP EWMMS
- 5. Approval of Workshops Columbia Teachers' College

REPORTS

Legal

Matters discussed in Executive Session include negotiations and review of personnel of particular person(s).

Superintendent

The Boys Varsity Soccer team is heading to Middleton High School for the state championship on Saturday, November 12th at 8:30 a.m. Spectator buses will be at the MS at 6:00 a.m. for first come, first serve basis. Please consult the website for details.

I have the opportunity as Superintendent to work on Plan Development Committee with other superintendents in the region regarding the Every Student Succeeds Act. We are working to provide feedback pertaining to concepts under consideration for inclusion in the required state plan by NYSED and this plan is necessary in order for NYSED to comply with the provisions of the federal Every Student Succeeds Act which was signed into law by President Obama on December 15, 2015 and replaced the NCLB act. We know that we just had a change in the leadership of the country and obviously we are all paying attention to with regard to new Administration.

The Village of Amityville will have their Veterans' Day Ceremony on Friday, November 11th at 11:00 a.m. Our Jazz Band will perform.

I am sure you noticed as you drive by the AMHS and see the flags displayed on the front lawn. Each year the Kiwanis Club of Amityville sponsors this event. The display will be up through December 3rd. Should you wish to sponsor a flag, it's not too late. Please contact my secretary, Eileen Becker and we will get the application to you.

This month we have had a number of programs in our schools in honor of veterans. We have a program called *Bring A Veteran to School* where they have an opportunity to interact with the students. Trustee Leon and Mr. Paternostro will be participating in the event.

December 3rd, there are two events. The first is the Village of Amityville Tree Lighting Ceremony and the AMHS Jazz Band will perform. The second event is in North Amityville and the 4th grade chorus will perform. Also students are making decorations for the tree.

We recently received a gift of thanks from the Amityville Rotary Club for our students who volunteered their time and energy in assisting the Apple Festival. The members of the Rotary were very impressed with our students for their hard work and dedication.

Please consult the calendar. December is a busy month with Parent-Teacher Conferences and School Winter Concerts and Art Showcases.

Board

No Report

COMMUNITY INPUT NON AGENDA ITEMS

1. Irach'e Teague, 27 Floral Drive, Amityville (High School student) asked about a teacher recently terminated and wanted to state the positive impact that teacher had on her. The Board advised her they cannot speak about this topic.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn Open Session at 9:00 p.m. made by 2nd Vice President Dodd; seconded by Trustee Pawlewicz.

AMITYVILLE U F S D APPROVED BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES

DATE 12-14-16
DISTRICT CLERK SIGNATURE

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