BOARD OF EDUCATION

Amityville Union Free School District Amityville, NY 11701

Special Meeting Minutes – February 11, 2015

Park North Administration Building - Board Room - 5:00 PM

Approved: 03/11/15

LOCATION: Park North Administration Building – Board Room

IN ATTENDANCE: President Lisa Johnson 1st Vice President Ronald A. Moss

2nd Vice President Terry Fulton Trustee Dr. Kathleen Corbett

Trustee Carolyn Dodd Trustee Nathan King

Trustee Jeannette Santos

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Dr. Mary T. Kelly, Superintendent of Schools

Gary Steffanetta, Esq., Guercio & Guercio, LLP Victoria Cantrella, Esq., Guercio & Guercio, LLP Bonnie Gorham, Esq., Guercio & Guercio, LLP

NOT IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs. Judith O'Neill, District Clerk

Open Meeting Called to Order by President Johnson at 5:05 PM.

President Johnson appointed 1st Vice President Ronald A. Moss as District Clerk Pro Tem.

MOTION to RECESS to Executive Session at 5:07 p.m. for informal superintendent evaluation discussion, particular person employment history made by 1st Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Dr. Corbett. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

ACTION TAKEN: None

Mr. Steffanetta left at 6:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Moss, District Clerk Pro Tem

RESUME OPEN at 6:30 p.m.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Amityville Union Free School District, Amityville, NY 11701 Regular Meeting Minutes – February 11, 2015

Park Avenue Memorial Elementary School – Auditorium – 7:00 PM

Approved: 03/11/15

LOCATION: Park Avenue Memorial Elementary School - Auditorium

IN ATTENDANCE: President Lisa Johnson 1st Vice President Ronald A. Moss

Trustee Jeannette Santos Trustee Nathan King

Trustee Dr. Kathleen Corbett

Trustee Carolyn Dodd via video conference

2nd Vice President Terry Fulton Via video conference

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Dr. Mary T. Kelly, Superintendent of Schools

Mrs. Sydney Freifelder, Interim Asst. Supt. Finance & Operations Dr. Joan K. Lange, Interim Asst. Supt. for Curriculum & Inst.

Ms. Bridgette Wilson, Director for Human Resources

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Dr. Mary DeRose, Interim Principal, AMHS

Mr. Rod Wilkins, Associate Principal, AMHS

Mr. Edward Plaia, Principal, EWMMS

Mr. Ted Tsirigotis, Director of Phy. Ed., Athletics & Health

Ms. Suzanne Pena, District Coordinator ESL

Mr. Scott Bullis, Principal, PAMES

Mrs. Rose Hutchinson, Asst. Principal, PAMES

Mr. Vincent Todisco, Asst. Principal, Northwest Elementary School

Ms. Sandra Parmentier, Asst. Administrator PPS & Sp. Ed.

Mr. Peter Paternostro, Administrator PPS/SP. Ed/ Central Reg./Nurses

Mr. Robert Claps, President, ATA

Ms. Carol Seehof, Vice President, ATA

Ms. Bonnie Gorham, Esq. Guercio & Guercio

Ms. Victoria Cantrella, Esq. Guercio & Guercio

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

COMMUNITY: 20 members present

1. Meeting Called to Order at 7:04 PM.

A. Emergency Exit, No Smoking 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 are you are seated. *Smoking is not allowed on school grounds. *As a courtesy, please turn off cell phones and pagers during the meeting.

- B. Pledge of Allegiance
- C. Community Input Regarding Board Agenda Items Only

This meeting will also be video-conferenced at the Marriot Hutchinson Island in Stuart, Florida where Trustee Carolyn Dodd will participate. Trustee Terry Fulton will also participate via video conference. The meetings will be open to the public.

Dr. Kelly announced that there would be several presentations tonight.

PRESENTATIONS:

John W. Hodge, Ed. D., President – Urban Learning & Leadership Center, Inc. – Mr. Hodge said that his company is a staff development and training center. The company is guided by social, academic and moral education. Family services and counseling are offered. Staff training is provided to make sure that the right type of support is given to the students.

Joseph Keithon, Senior Suffolk County Fire Marshal gave a report on his latest inspection of the school district buildings. Maintenance of the buildings is good but rescue windows and exits must be kept clear of obstructions.

Budget Presentation #3 – Mrs. Freifelder (see attachments #1)

COMMUNITY COMMENTS AGENDA ITEMS ONLY: None

- 2. Board Action Recommended by the Board of Education
 - A. Approval of Board Minutes
 - 1. Draft #1 Regular Meeting January 15, 2015

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 2A-1 made by 1st Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Santos. **Discussion:** Minutes had previously been corrected as discussed with District Clerk. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

- B. Board Action Recommended by Board Policy Committee
 - 1. 0000 Mission Statement

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 2B-1 made by Trustee Dr. Corbett, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for Board discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

2. 1900 Parental Involvement

MOTION to TABLE Agenda Item 2B-2 made by Trustee Santos seconded by Trustee Dr. Corbett. **Discussion:** The Policy Committee will meet tomorrow to discuss an update to this policy. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

3. 3210 Administration

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 2B-3 made by 1st Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Santos. **Discussion:** Floor opened for Board discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

4. 3210R Table of Organization

MOTION to TABLE Agenda Item 2B-4 made by Trustee Santos, seconded by Trustee Dr. Corbett. **Discussion:** The Policy Committee will meet tomorrow to review this policy. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

- 5. 4200R Curriculum Development Regulation
- 6. 4327 Homebound Instruction
- 7. 5020.3 Students w/Disabilities Sec 504
- 8. 5100 Student Attendance
- 9. 5220 School Sponsored Student Expression
- 10. 5251 Student Fund Raising Activities
- 11. 5300.30 Prohibited Student Conduct
- 12. 5300.45 Alternative Instruction
- 13. 5300.70 Public Conduct on School Property

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 2B-5 through 2B-13 made by 1st Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Dr. Corbett. **Discussion:** Floor opened for Board discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

- B. Board Action Recommended by the Board of Education (con't):
 - 14. 5420 Student Health Services
 - 15. 5420R Student Health Services Regulation

MOTION to TABLE Agenda Items 2B-14 & 2B-15 made by 1st Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Dr. Corbett. **Discussion:** The Policy Committee will meet tomorrow to review this policy. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

- 16. 5500 Student Records
- 17. 5500 E.1 FERPA
- 18. 5500R Student Records Regulation
- 19. 5695 Student and Personal Electronic Devices
- 20. 8130 School Safety Plans and Team
- 21. 8413 Transportation for Nonpublic School Students
- 22. 8520 Free and Reduced Price Food Services
- 23. 8630 Computer Resources and Data Management
- 24. 8630R Computer Resources and Data Management Regulation
- 25. 9180 Staff Use of Personal Electronic Devices for Work-Related Duties

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 2B-16 through 2B-25 made by Trustee Santos, seconded by 1st Vice President Moss. **Discussion:** Floor opened for Board discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

- 26. 6645 PROPOSED Accounting of Fixed Assets & Intangible Assets
- 27. 8334 PROPOSED Credit Card
- 28. 8631 PROPOSED NEW Financial Software

MOTION to TABLE Agenda Items 2B-26 through 2B-28 made by 1st Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Dr. Corbett. **Discussion:** Further review required by Policy Committee. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

- C. Board Action Recommended by Board of Education
- 1. Stipulation of Agreement (*added was on 2/4 agenda but revised and placed on 2/11 agenda*) **MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Item 2C-1 made by 1st Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Santos. **Discussion:** Discussion occurred in executive session. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.
 - 2. Approval to attend NYSSBA The Capital Conference (added)

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 2C-2 made by 1st Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Dr. Corbett. **Discussion:** Floor opened for Board discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

- D. Audit Committee TBA
- 3. Board Action Recommended by the Superintendent
 - A. General
 - 1. Approval of 2015-2016 Academic Calendar

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3A-1 made by Trustee Dr. Corbett, seconded by 1st Vice President Moss. **Discussion:** Floor opened for Board discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

B. Personnel

- 1. FMLA Leave: Science Teacher/HS Kilfoil, C.
- 2. FMLA Leave: Social Studies Teacher/MS Duguay, P.
- 3. Intentionally Left Blank (revised pulled original because it was a duplicate of 3B-35)
- 4. Appointment: Substitute Food Service Worker Vazquez, M.
- 5. Appointment: Substitute Teaching Assistant Mitchell, K.
- 6. Appointment: Substitute Teaching Assistant Brooks, N.
- 7. Appointment: Substitute Teaching Assistant Wilson, D.
- 8. Appointment: Spring Coach/Head Varsity Baseball Coach Diot, C.
- 9. Appointment: Spring Coach/Asst Varsity Baseball Coach Zider, J.
- 10. Appointment: Spring Coach/JV Head Baseball Coach Greiss, M.
- 11. Appointment: Spring Coach/MS Head Baseball Coach Duguay, P.
- 12. Appointment: Spring Coach/Head Varsity Softball Coach Mendelson, T.
- 13. Appointment: Spring Coach/MS Head Boys Tennis Pellegrino, R.
- 14. Appointment: Spring Coach/Head Boys Spring Track Hawkins, R.
- 15. Appointment: Spring Coach/Asst Boys Spring Track Pollock, D.
- 16. Appointment: Spring Coach/Head Girls Spring Track Constable, L.
- 17. Appointment: Spring Coach/Asst Girls Spring Track Mosley, S.
- 18. Appointment: Spring Coach/MS Head Boys Spring Track Jackson, D.
- 19. Appointment: Spring Coach/MS Head Girls Spring Track Brooks, N.
- 20. Appointment: Spring Coach/Head Special Olympics Trotman, J.
- 21. Appointment: Spring Coach/Asst Special Olympics Thompson, K.
- 22. Appointment: MS Baseball Volunteer Duguay, Sr., P.
- 23. Appointment: Winter Coach/MS Girls Basketball Miller, M.
- 24. Appointment: Cap & Gown Coordinator Gastman, F.
- 25. Appointment: 21st CCLC Club Advisor/Art/PA Langstrand, K.
- 26. Appointment: 21st CCLC Club Advisor/Math/HS/MS Aromanda, E.
- 27. Appointment: 21st CCLC Club Advisor/Social Studies/MS/HS Mitchell, M.
- 28. Appointment: 21st CCLC Homework/MS Rotella, C.
- 29. Appointment: 21st CCLC Homework/MS/HS Mitchell, M.
- 30. Appointment: 21st CCLC Homework/MS/HS Armando, E.
- 31. Leave Replacement Appointment: Teaching Assistant/PA Mitchell, K.
- 32. Leave Replacement Appointment: Teaching Assistant/NE Byrne, G.
- 33. Appointment: Substitute Custodian Belgiorno, B. (corrected spelling of name)
- 34. Appointment: Substitute Custodian Bradshaw, S.
- 35. Appointment: Substitute Custodian Fields, Y. (this is the duplicate from 3B-3 reason we received on recommendation on 1/14 and then another on February 3)

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3B-1 through 3B-35 made by Trustee Dr. Corbett, seconded by 1st Vice President Moss. **Discussion:** Floor opened for Board discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

- 36. Appointment: Substitute Custodian Vaszuez, V.
- 37. Appointment: Security Guard/DW Brutus, L.
- 38. Appointment: Security Guard/DW Dinnigan, J.
- 39. Appointment: Security Guard/DW Eng, R.
- 40. Appointment: Security Guard/DW Liebegott, S.
- 41. Appointment: Security Guard/DW Petroglia, A.
- 42. Appointment: Security Guard/DW Saitta, T.

43. Clerk/Typist Transfer Request (revised again from Guercio)

B. Personnel (cont'd):

- 44. Appointment: Intramural Coach Karafantis, G.
- 45. Appointment: 21st CCLC Parent Liaison/PA Marrone, D.
- 46. Leave of Absence W/O Pay: Food Service Worker/MS Montoya, E.
- 47. Leave of Absence W/O Pay: Clerk/Typist/HS DiLevo, D.
- 48. Appointment: Permanent Substitute Teacher/MS Johnson, S.
- 49. Part-Time Appointment: Special Education/Social Studies Teacher/MS Johnson, S.
- 50. Revised Appointment: Substitute Teacher/HS/MS Howard, M.
- 51. Appointment: Head Custodian/NW Dreher, C.
- 52. Probationary Appointment: Library Media Specialist/PA Beleckas, K.
- 53. Appointment: Substitute Teacher Roslow, B.
- 54. Appointment: Substitute Teacher Aigbekaen, P.
- 55. Appointment: Substitute Teacher Culver, S.
- 56. Appointment: Substitute Teacher Beringer, K.
- 57. Appointment: Substitute Teacher Boell, J.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3B-36 through 3B-57 made by 1st Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Dr. Corbett. **Discussion:** Trustee Dr. Corbett questioned how many full and part time Security Guard positions do we have. Mrs. Freifelder said we have mostly part time workers and some full time. The motion to approve agenda items 3B-36 through 3B-57 needed to be rescinded due to the fact that Agenda Item 3B-46 had to be tabled.

MOTION to RESCIND Motion to APPROVE Agenda Items 3B-36 through 3B-57 made by 1st Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Dr. Corbett. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3B-36 through 3B-45 made by Trustee King, seconded by Trustee Santos. **Discussion:** Floor opened for Board discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

MOTION to TABLE Agenda Item 3B-46 made by 1st Vice President King, seconded by Trustee King.

Discussion: Floor opened for Board discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3B-47 through 3B-57 made by Trustee Santos, seconded by 1st Vice President Moss. **Discussion:** Floor opened for Board discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

C. Business

- 1. Fund Raising Items 1 through 8
- 2. Use of Facilities Items 1 through 4
- 3. Health Service Contracts St. Martin of Tours Items 1 through 2
- 4. Budget Transfer − 1 Item

MOTION to APROVE Agenda Items 3C-1 through 3C-4 made by Trustee Dr. Corbett, seconded by Trustee Santos. **Discussion:** Floor opened for Board discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 Abstain, 0 No.

D. Finance

1. Report for the Month of December, 2014

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3D-1 made by 1st Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee King. Discussion: Floor opened for Board discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

E. CSE/CPSE Contracts – None

F. Curriculum and Instruction

1. Conferences – Items 1 through 22

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3F-1 made by 1st Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee King. **Discussion:** Floor opened for Board discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

4. Reports

A. <u>Legal Counsel for the District</u> – Discussion in Executive Session.

B. <u>Superintendent of Schools</u> –

- 1. Congratulations to Mrs. Grasso's and Mrs. Keaveny's art students who were featured in the Advanced Visions High School Artists of Excellence. A letter from the coordinator stated that Amityville is gaining a reputation for producing visual art of the highest caliber. James Carey represented the District at the 2015 SCMEA Day of Horn at Northport High School.
- 2. On January 25th, the Boys Varsity Track team won the League 4 indoor track championship. On January 31st, the Boys Varsity Track team participated in the Small School County track and field meet. Out of 23 schools, Amityville placed second. Congratulations to Coach Reynolds Hawkins and the boys for their outstanding efforts.
- 3. The Boys Varsity Basketball team is off to the playoffs, they will be playing against Harborfields at Harborfields High School on Tuesday, February 17, at 6 PM. Good luck to Coach Williams, Coach Epps, and the boys as they head into the playoff season.
- 4. Recipients 2015 Annual Scope Education Service Awards for excellence for going above and beyond in their service to the district 1st Vice President Ronald Moss; Mr. Peter Paternostro; School Psychologist Dr. Nicola Beckles; President of APTC, Marissa Dealy and Mrs. Eileen Becker.
- 5. The Faith Deliverance Center will honor Dr. Mary DeRose with the Reach One Teach One 2015 Phenomenal Women's Award. Middle School Science Fair is tomorrow night from 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM. APTC will host a family fun night at PAMES this Friday.
- 6. Celebrations for Black History Month will take place throughout the District. Information will be on the website and in the calendar. The entire student body had the opportunity to attend the movie Selma.
- 7. COMPASS fundraiser this Saturday at Applebee's in Farmingdale at 8:00 AM.

COMMUNITY COMMENTS NON AGENDA ITEMS:

Mr. Skip Wade, 15 Bingham Pl., Amityville – Mr. Wade spoke about the reduction of the use of pesticides on school grounds. Mr. Wade was advised by President Johnson to make an appointment with Dr. Kelly for further discussion. (*See attachment #2*)

Trustee Santos thanked Mr. Wade for his presentation.

Ms. Crystal Rodriguez, 44 Camp Rd., Massapequa, NY – Ms. Rodriguez asked about students receiving payment to take an SAT pilot test. Dr. Kelly said it was a college board initiative offered to schools all over the country which required parental permission. Dr. DeRose said that 50 students were interested in taking the test which took place during regents week. Ms. Rodriguez also asked about District policy regarding academics and after school activities.

Melissa Krueder, 17 Virginia Ct., Amityville – Asked if there is a policy in place for failing students to participate in after school activities. Dr. Kelly is looking into development of a policy.

Ed McDaniels, 111 Bayview Ave., Amityville – Spoke about the Smart School Bond Issue and asked if the District had applied for that money. Dr. Kelly said the state has not released the funds yet. There are plans to upgrade our computers but we have to wait for guidance from the state.

Ms.Crystal Rodriguez, 44 Camp Rd., Massapequa, NY – Ms. Rodriguez spoke about the importance of having a policy in place regarding passing grades and after school activities.

Mrs. Susan Heenan, 2 Matthew Dr., Amityville, NY – Mrs. Heenan thanked Dr. Kelly and Mrs. Freifelder for help during the bad weather with the buses. Also, spoke about testing children for dyslexia when they are young. She also asked the Board to introduce sign language to the District.

President Johnson appointed Ronald Moss as District Clerk Pro Tem.

MOTION to RECESS to Executive Session for particular person's employment history at 8:17 PM made by 1st Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Santos.

Judith O'Neill left at 8:20 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Judith O'Neill, District Clerk

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

LOCATION: Park North Administration Building – Board Room

1st Vice President Ronald A. Moss **IN ATTENDANCE:** President Lisa Johnson

> Trustee Nathan King Trustee Jeannette Santos

Trustee Dr. Kathleen Corbett

Trustee Carolyn Dodd via video conference

ABSENT: 2nd Vice President Terry Fulton

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ACTION TAKEN: None

Respectfully submitted,

Ronald Moss, District Clerk Pro Tem

RESUME OPEN SESSION at 9:24 PM.

LOCATION: Park North Administration Building – Board Room

1st Vice President Ronald A. Moss **IN ATTENDANCE:** President Lisa Johnson

> Trustee Jeannette Santos Trustee Nathan King

Trustee Dr. Kathleen Corbett

Trustee Carolyn Dodd via video conference

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MOTION to ADJOURN Regular Meeting at 9:25 PM made by 1st Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Santos. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

Respectfully submitted,
Ronald Moss, District Clerk Pro Tem