

May 1, 2019

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Amityville Union Free School District, Amityville, NY 11701
Special Meeting Minutes – May 1, 2019

AMITYVILLE U.F.S.D.
BOARD OF EDUCATION
APPROVED
DATE 6/12/19
DISTRICT CLERK SIGNATURE
Barbara Miller

The Meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m. by President Dodd at Park Avenue North, Board Room

IN ATTENDANCE: Carolyn Dodd, President
Laura Pawlewicz, 2nd Vice President (arrived at 6:35 p.m.)
Susan Benard-Handler, Trustee
Terry Fulton, Trustee
Allie McDonough, Trustee
Jeannette Santos, Trustee

ABSENT: Juan Leon, 1st Vice President

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Mary T. Kelly, Superintendent of Schools
Sydney Freifelder, Interim Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations
Andrea Pekar, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction
Dr. Thomas DeNicola, Assistant Superintendent for Technology and Administrative Services
Lauren Schnitzer, Esq, Lamb and Barnosky, LLP

Motion to adjourn into Executive Session at 6:34 p.m. for the purpose of seeking legal advice from the Board's Attorney, made by Ms. Pawlewicz; seconded by Ms. Santos. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

Motion to exit Executive Session at 7:30 p.m. made by Ms. Santos; seconded by Ms. McDonough.
Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

Open Meeting resumed at 7:46 p.m.

COMMUNITY: 8

President Dodd led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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Barbara Miller, District Clerk
Ms. Sandra Parmentier, Assistant Administrator for Pupil Personnel Services and Special Education

COMMUNITY COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

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Carolyn Chickazunga questioned item 2b on the draft agenda asking about the purpose of the Audit Committee. Dr. Kelly responded that this is a Board Committee that meets periodically for the purpose of receiving information from our external auditors, internal auditors and our claim auditors, as part of its ongoing review of the district finances.

ACTION

Review Draft Agenda

1. Review of Draft Agenda for April 10, 2019 Regular Meeting

GENERAL

Motion to approve Agenda Item 3A-1 made by Ms. Pawlewicz; seconded by Mr. Fulton.
Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Memorandum of Agreement – CSEA Unit 8783-00

PERSONNEL

Motion to approve Agenda Items 3B-1 through 3B-7 made by Ms. Pawlewicz; seconded by Mr. Fulton.
Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Resignation: Substitute Teacher- Vatske, T.
2. Resignation: Permanent Substitute Teacher/MS- Mutino, L.
3. Resignation: Permanent Substitute Teacher/MS- Marinaro, K.
4. Appointment: Saturday Regents Review Class: Math- Medici, M.
5. Appointment: Monitor/MS- Christopher, T.
6. Appointment: Monitor/MS- Infante, R.
7. Appointment: Food Service Worker/NW- Limberg, J.

BUSINESS

Motion to approve Agenda Item 3C-1 made by Ms. Pawlewicz; seconded by Mr. Fulton.
Discussion: Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Property Tax Report Card

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Motion to approve Agenda Item 3F-1 made by Ms. Pawlewicz; seconded by Mr. Fulton.
Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

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1. Approval of Conferences

COMMUNITY COMMENTS ON NON AGENDA ITEMS

Toni Bean inquired on the status of the Diversity Committee. Dr. Kelly responded that she has met with Dr. Coverdale who has provided guidance regarding the leadership of the committee and we anticipate that the Board will be considering a proposal from Dr. Coverdale, and the committee will be up and running by late May.

Lynn Hart asked if there are any Stem Programs or Enrichment Programs for the district children. Dr. Kelly responded that there is an after school enrichment program at Park Ave and during the day there are many programs for our children. Dr. Kelly asked Ms. Hart to give her a call and she would go over the available options.

Toni Bean asked the Board to consider changing the current practice where forms are provided to sixth grade students that list some of the electives available in the middle school. The forms do not have enough information. She suggested that it might be more productive to hold a meeting with parents and students where the available courses are described. Dr. Kelly responded that it was an excellent suggestion to have the parents involved.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn Open Meeting at 8:00 p.m. made by Ms. Pawlewicz; seconded by Ms. Benard-Handler.
Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.