

Minutes approved
on 3/19/2008

MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
AMITYVILLE UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT
Amityville, New York 11701

SPECIAL MEETING – January 9, 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 Diane Koza Egglinger Trustee Elisabeth LaRosa
Trustee Nathan King Trustee Lisa Johnson

ABSENT: Trustee Charles Walters

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Dr. John Williams-Interim Superintendent of Schools
Mrs. Susan Schnebel- Assistant Supt. Curriculum & Instruction
Mr. Enrique Catalan-Assist. Supt. Finance & Operations
Ms. Lisa Kontente-Assistant to Supt. Human Resources

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

COMMUNITY: 9 members present.

SEE ATTACHED AGENDA FOR ITEMS.

1. **Meeting Called to Order** by President Sikhrangkur called the meeting to order at 7:10 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.

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

- C. **Community Input Regarding Board Agenda Items Only-**
Thomas Goddard, Amityville – Mr. Goddard discussed Agenda Item 3C-1 & 3C-3.

Community Comments on Non Agenda Items

Jacquelyn Allen, Amityville – Ms. Allen discussed the adult education program.

Mr. Clyde, Amityville – Mr. Clyde discussed the article in Newsday regarding student progress in our schools.

Ms. Ann Clyde, Amityville – Ms. Clyde discussed the issue of overcrowding in the high school.

Mrs. Carolyn Dodd, ATA President – Mrs. Dodd discussed the excessing of reading teachers.

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

- A. **Approval of Board Minutes:**
1. **Special Meeting – 11/7/2007 – Draft #1**
 2. **Audit Committee Meeting – 11/7/2007 - Draft #1**
 3. **Regular Meeting – 11/14/2007 – Draft #1**
 4. **Audit Committee Meeting – 11/14/2007 – Draft #1**

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 2A-1 through 2A-4 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee Koza Egglinger. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

- B. **Board Action Recommended by Board Policy Committee**-None

- C. **Board Action Recommended by Board of Education:**
1. **Approval of 2008-2009 School Calendar**
 2. **Approval to Attend NSSBA Conference on January 29, 2008**

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

3. **Review of Board Agenda Regular Meeting January 16, 2008**

The Board reviewed the agenda for the January 16 meeting.

- D. **Audit Committee-**

1. **Approval of June 2007 Risk Assessment Report from Nawrocki Smith LLP.**

MOTION to TABLE Agenda Item 2D-1 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee Koza Egglinger. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

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3. Board Action Recommended by the Superintendent:

A. General Administrative Resolutions:

1. Approval Conferences – Items 3A-1/1 – 3A-1/9

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

2. Approval JAMBO Productions Presentation at EWMMS

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

3. Approval Additional Pay for Grading of State Assessments

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

B. Personnel Changes:

1. Probationary Appointment: Director of English – EWMMS-TBD

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

2. Leave of Absence W/O Pay: English Teacher-AMHS-Riordan, J.

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

Trustee King left the meeting at 8:15 PM.

C. Business and Finance:

1. Extension of Contract for School Construction Consultants

2. Appointment of Omni Financial Group

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3C-1 & 3C-2 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee Koza Egglinger. **Discussion:** Mr. Catalan explained that the IRS now requires reporting 401K's and 403B's. Both internal and external auditors recommended hiring a financial group. **Motion CARRIED:** 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

3. Change Order – Best Roofing

MOTION to AMEND AGENDA Item 3C-3 (copy attached) made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee Koza Egglinger. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3C-3 as amended made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee Koza Egglinger. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

4. Rescind of Change Order-Best Roofing

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3C-4 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee Koza Egglinger. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

5. Change Order – High School J. Anthony Enterprises CO-9

MOTION to AMEND Agenda to Include Agenda Item 3C-5 (copy attached) made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee Koza Egglinger. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3C-5 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee Koza Egglinger. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

D. CSE & CPSE Actions/Meetings-None

E. Monthly Finance Reports- None

4. REPORTS:

A. School District Attorney: None

B. Superintendent Reports: None

Trustee King returned to the meeting at 8:25 PM.

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MOTION to ADJOURN to Executive Session at 9:07 PM for Personnel/Particular Person made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee Koza Egglinger. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

Respectfully submitted

Juliet Jordon-Thompson/District Clerk Pro Tem

EXECUTIVE SESSION called to order by President Sikhrangkur at 9:15 PM.

LOCATION: PAMES-Room 111

IN ATTENDANCE: President Michele Sikhrangkur Vice President Juliet Jordon-Thompson
 Trustee Diane Koza Egglinger Trustee Elisabeth LaRosa
 Trustee Nathan King Trustee Lisa Johnson

ABSENT: Trustee Charles Walters

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Lisa Johnson departed at 9:25 PM and returned at 9:28 PM.

Trustee Walters arrived at 9:46 PM

ACTION TAKEN: None

Respectfully submitted,

Juliet Jordon-Thompson/District Clerk Pro Tem

MOTION to RESUME Open Session at 10:34 PM made by Trustee King, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

LOCATION: PAMES-Auditorium

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2D-1 Approval of June 2007 Risk Assessment Report from Nawrocki Smith LLP

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

3B-1 Probationary Appointment: Director of English/EWMMS-TBD

MOTION to AMEND Agenda Item 3B-1 to include the name Riordan, J., salary \$105,000 and date 2/1/08 to 1/31/2011, effective 2/1/08 made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee Koza Egglinger. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3B-1 as amended made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee Koza Egglinger. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

MOTION to ADJOURN Special Meeting at 11:35 PM made by Trustee King, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

Respectfully submitted,

Juliet Jordon-Thompson/District Clerk Pro Tem