

BOARD OF EDUCATION
Amityville Union Free School District, Amityville, NY 11701
Regular Monthly Meeting Minutes – April 18, 2018

The Meeting was called to order at 6:32 p.m. by President Dodd at Park Avenue North, Board Room

IN ATTENDANCE: Carolyn Dodd, President
Juan Leon, 1st Vice President
Laura Pawlewicz, 2nd Vice President
Susan Benard-Handler, Trustee
Allie McDonough, Trustee
Jeanette Santos, Trustee

ABSENT: Terry Fulton, Trustee

ALSO PRESENT: Dr. Mary T. Kelly, Superintendent of Schools
Dr. Lois Etzel, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction
Diane Castonguay, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations
Dr. Carol Polney, Assistant Superintendent for Technology and Administrative Services
Anthony Fasano, Esq., Guercio & Guercio, LLP

AMITYVILLE U.F.S.D.
APPROVED
BOARD OF EDUCATION MINUTES
DATE 6/12/18
DISTRICT CLERK SIGNATURE
Mary Jane Budde

Motion to enter into Executive Session at 6:32 p.m. for the purpose of discussing negotiations pertaining to ATA; matters pertaining to employment history of a particular person; and student suspension appeal. Motion made by Mrs. Benard-Handler; seconded by Ms. McDonough. Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

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Diane Castonguay, Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations
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DISTRICT CLERK: Mary Jane Budde

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Kathleen Hyland, Principal, Northwest Elementary School
Sonia Rodrigo, Assistant Principal, Northwest Elementary School
Robyn Santiago, Principal, Park Avenue Memorial Elementary School
Melissa Wiederhold, Assistant Principal, Park Avenue School
Kristy Pagliari, Assistant Principal, Edmund W. Miles Middle School
Maria Andreotti, Principal, Amityville Memorial High School
Rose Hutcherson, Assistant Principal, Amityville Memorial High School
Donna DeFreita, Assistant Principal, Amityville Memorial High School

John Cardone, Dean, Amityville Memorial High School
Peter Paternostro, Administrator PPS/Special Education/Central Registration
Mary Stephens, Director of English as a New Language and World Language
Fran Fernandez, Director of Fine Arts
Earl Mitchell, Dean of Students – E. W. Miles Middle School
Robert Claps, President of ATA
Carol Seehof, Vice President of ATA

Open Meeting resumed at 7:35 p.m.

COMMUNITY: 40

President Dodd led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATIONS

- Park East Construction Corp. and Burton, Behrendt, Smith, PC - Capital Project Update
- Autism Awareness Presentation
- Budget Workshop #5 – Administrative and Capital Component

COMMUNITY INPUT REGARDING BOARD AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

There was no community input regarding board agenda items only.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion to approve Agenda items 2A. 1-2 made by Ms. Benard-Handler, seconded by Mrs. Pawlewicz.
Discussion: None. Motion Carried: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Draft #1 – Minutes of March 14, 2018 Board of Education Meeting.

ACTION

Motion to approve Agenda items 2C. 1 made by Mrs. Pawlewicz, seconded by Mrs. Santos. Discussion: None. Motion Carried: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain. The Clerk did a roll call for the vote of 2C-1- adoption of the 2018-2019 Proposed Budget:

President Dodd:	Aye	
1 st Vice President Leon	Aye	
2 nd Vice President Pawlewicz		Aye
Trustee Benard-Handler	Aye	
Trustee Fulton (Absent)		
Trustee McDonough		Aye
Trustee Santos		Aye
Motion Carried: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.		

Motion to adopt the following resolution re: appeal for Principal's suspension; motion made by Ms. Santos; seconded by Mrs. Benard-Handler.

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has reviewed the record of a disciplinary suspension concerning a certain Student "A";

WHEREAS, the Board of Education has duly deliberated concerning the suspension and underlying administrative record, and considered the arguments raised by the appellant parent of Student "A" in executive session;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education, hereby denies the appeal of the parent of Student "A" in its entirety and affirms the decision of the Superintendent of Schools, and further directs that the District Clerk notify the parent(s)/student of this determination.

Voted on as follows:

President Dodd	Aye
1 st Vice President Leon	Nay
2 nd Vice President Pawlewicz	Aye
Trustee Benard-Handler	Aye
Trustee Fulton (Absent)	
Trustee McDonough	Aye
Trustee Santos	Aye

Motion Carried: 5 Yes; 1 No; 0 Abstain.

Motion to approve Agenda Item C-3 re: appointment of election workers for May 15, 2018 budget vote, made by Mrs. Benard-Handler; seconded by Mrs. Pawlewicz. Discussion: None. Motion Carried: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

GENERAL

Motion to approve Agenda items A1 and A2 made by Ms. McDonough; seconded by Mrs. Benard-Handler. Discussion: None. Motion Carried: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

PERSONNEL

Motion to approve Agenda items 3B. 1-2 made by Mrs. Pawlewicz, seconded by Mrs. Benard-Handler. Discussion: None. Motion Carried: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Tenure Appointment: Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations, Castonguay, D.
2. Tenure Appointment: Elementary Teacher/NW – Beard, L.

Dr. Kelly and the Board of Education congratulated those receiving tenure and announced that there would be a recess for a brief tenure celebration. The Open Meeting recessed at 8:50 p.m. and resumed at 9:03 p.m. (Mrs. Santos exited at recess.)

Motion to approve Agenda items 3B. 3-34 made by Mrs. Pawlewicz, seconded by Ms. McDonough. Discussion: None. Motion Carried: 5 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

3. Tenure Appointment: Elementary Teacher/NE – McCormack, T.
4. Termination: Permanent Substitute Teacher/PA – Warren, J.
5. Rescind Appointment: Permanent Substitute Teacher/PA – Dieterich, D.
6. Resignation for Retirement: Special Education Teacher/PA – Koopmans, S.
7. Resignation: Food Service Worker/MS – Moore, F.
8. Resignation: Bus Monitor –Brown-Fields, J.
9. Extended FMLA: Elementary Teacher/NE – Aversa, D.

10. Extended Leave of Absence w/o Pay: Food Service Worker/MS – Russo, G.
11. Leave of Absence w/o Pay: Food Service Worker – Maldonado, S.
12. Leave of Absence w/o Pay: Food Service Worker – Echiverry, G.
13. Leave of Absence w/o Pay: Monitor – McPhee, K.
14. Appointment: SAT Test Prep Coordinator – Tesoro, K.
15. Appointment: ENL Academy: Sub Coordinator /NE & NW – Beard, L.
16. Appointment: Virtual Academy – Zwerling, C.
17. Resignation: Bus Monitor – Davis, A.
18. Rescind Appointment: Permanent Substitute Teacher – Arredondo, R.
19. Resignation: Social Worker/PA – Velez, R.
20. Resignation: Clerk/Typist/NE – Michelli, C.
21. FMLA: Business Teacher/HS – Milan, L.
22. FMLA: Elementary Teacher/PA – Replak, J.
23. FMLA: English Teacher/MS – Rosario, K.
24. Leave of Absence w/o Pay: Special Education Teacher/MS – Kretz, A.
25. Revised Probationary Appointment: Business Teacher/HS – Impagliazzo, Ed.D., D.
26. Revised Probationary Appointment: Science Teacher/Chairperson/MS – Lim, N.
27. Appointment: Virtual Academy – Fallot, R.
28. Appointment: Food Service Worker/MS – Melendez, N.
29. Appointment: Permanent Substitute Teacher – Gonzalez, C.
30. Appointment: Substitute Teacher – Bonadonna, J.
31. Appointment: Monitor/PA – McCabe, M.
32. Appointment: Monitor/PA – Lee, G.
33. Resignation for Retirement: Monitor/HS – Scott, G.
34. Intermittent FMLA: Art Teacher/NW – Robinson, L.

BUSINESS

Motion to approve Agenda items 3C. 1-7 made by Mrs. Benard-Handler, seconded by Mrs. Pawlewicz.
Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 5 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Disposal of Fixed Assets
2. Fundraising
3. Use of Facilities
4. Health Service Contracts – Other Schools
5. Donations
6. Late Applicant for Transportation to Non-Public School
7. Property Tax Report Card

FINANCE

Motion to approve Agenda item 3D. 1 made by Ms. McDonough; seconded by Mrs. Benard-Handler.
Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 5 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Treasurer's Report – February 2018

CONTRACTS FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION SERVICES

Motion to approve Agenda items 3E. 1-7 made by Mrs. Benard-Handler; seconded by Mrs. Pawlewicz.
Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 5 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Seaford UFSD 17-18

2. Seaford UFSD 17-18 Summer
3. South Huntington UFSD
4. Oyster Bay-East Norwich Central School District
5. West Islip UFSD
6. Lindenhurst UFSD 17-18
7. Lindenhurst UFSD 16-17

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

Motion to approve Agenda item 3F-1 made by Mrs. Pawlewicz; seconded by Mrs. Benard-Handler.
Discussion: None. Motion Carries: 5 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.

1. Approval of Conferences

REPORTS

Following reports from Superintendent Dr. Mary T. Kelly: Bridging Community; Boys Basketball Championship; Parade of Champions; Spring Sports Lacrosse Season; Boys Intramural Lacrosse coming next year; No Kid Hungry Grant; and National Honor Society Induction.

COMMUNITY INPUT REGARDING NON-BOARD AGENDA ITEMS ONLY

Heard comments/questions from community members pertaining to the following topics: Walk-out at Amityville High School; school safety including communication, building speakers, new doors, locks, and student activism.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn Open Meeting at 9:43 p.m. made by Mr. Leon; seconded by Mrs. Benard-Handler.
Motion Carries: 6 Yes; 0 No; 0 Abstain.