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Board of Education  
Amityville Union Free School District  
Amityville, NY 11701  
Special Meeting Minutes – December 7, 2011  
Park Avenue Memorial Elementary School – Auditorium – 7:00 PM

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**LOCATION:** Park Avenue Memorial Elementary School - Auditorium

**IN ATTENDANCE:** President Michele Sikhrangkur Vice President Juliet Jordon-Thompson  
2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Lisa Johnson Trustee Kathleen Ward  
Trustee Nathan King Trustee Ron Moss

**BOE ABSENT:** Trustee Mark Epps

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** Dr. John R. Williams-Superintendent of Schools  
Dr. William Fanning-Interim Asst. Supt. Finance & Operations  
Dr. Mary Kelly-Asst. Supt. Technology  
Dr. Stephen Neidell-Interim Asst. Supt. Human Resources  
Dr. Kathleen Gulbin – Asst. Supt. Curriculum & Instruction  
Mr. Gregory Guercio, Esq.-Guercio & Guercio

**COMMUNITY:** 8 members present

1. **Meeting Called to Order** by President Sikhrangkur at 7:07 PM.

A. **Emergency Exit, No Smoking, Cell Phone 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. \*As a courtesy, please turn off cell phones and pagers during the meeting.*

B. **Pledge of Allegiance** Following the Pledge of Allegiance, there was a moment of silence to remember those who perished at Pearl Harbor.

C. **Community Input Regarding Board Agenda Items Only**

President Sikhrangkur appointed Trustee Ward as District Clerk Pro Tem.

Dr. Gulbin presented information on the status of the District Restructuring Plan for the Middle School. The official test score results have not been published by the state, however, we know that the Middle School failed to make AYP for the year. From 12/12 to 12/16, representatives from the state office of Special Education, Dr. Bartholomew (consultant) along with myself, Dr. Kelly, Mr. Paternostro and all the directors will participate in the review of the school. The information from that review should be available to present to the Board in January.

President Sikhrangkur discussed the potential repeal of the MTA tax and encouraged all present to contact their local officials and request their support. It was estimated that the tax costs the District approximately \$129,000 per year plus administrative expenses for the collection and distribution of the funds.

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

A. **Approval of Board Minutes** – None

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

**C. Board Action Recommended by Board of Education**

1. Review of Draft Agenda for Regular Meeting – December 14, 2011

The Board reviewed the agenda for the December 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

**D. Audit Committee – None**

**3. Board Action Recommended by the Superintendent**

**A. Superintendent – None**

**B. Personnel**

1. Resignation: Assistant Administrator – PPS – Buckley, D.
2. Appointment: Chairperson CSE/CPSE – Kollmar, B.
3. Leave Replacement Appointment: Math Teacher – EWMMS – Zwerling, C.

**MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3B-1 through 3B-3** made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee Moss. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

**C. Business and Finance**

1. Transportation Request

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

Vice President Jordon-Thompson pulled her motion and Trustee Moss pulled his second.

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

2. Acceptance of Independent Audit

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

**D. Monthly Finance Report – None**

**E. CSE & CPSE Action/Meetings – None**

**F. Curriculum and Instruction**

1. Approval of Conferences – Items 1 through 13

**MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3F-1/1 & 3F-1/2** made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee Moss. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

2. Approval of CEP for PAMES
3. Approval of CEP for EWMMS

**MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3F-1/3 through 3F-3** made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee Moss. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

**G. Data and Technology – None**



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**MOTION to ADJOURN Special Meeting** at 10:06 PM made by Vice President Jordon-Thompson, seconded by Trustee Moss. **Motion CARRIED:** 6 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

Respectfully submitted,

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Kathleen Ward, District Clerk Pro Tem