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MINUTES
Board of Education
Amityville Union Free School District
Amityville, NY 11701
SPECIAL MEETING – March 25, 2009

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

LOCATION: Park Avenue Memorial Elementary School – Auditorium
IN ATTENDANCE: President Michele Sikhrangkur Vice President Juliet Jordon-Thompson
2nd Vice President Lisa Johnson Trustee Diane Koza Egglinger
Trustee Elisabeth La Rosa Trustee Nathan King

ABSENT: Trustee Walters

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE: Dr. John R. Williams-Superintendent of Schools
Dr. William Fanning-INTERIM- Assist. Supt. Finance & Operations
Ms. Mary Kelly-Assistant Supt. Technology
Dr. Kathleen Gulbin – Assist.Supt. Curriculum & Instruction

CLERK IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs. Judith O’Neill-District Clerk

COMMUNITY: 2 members present.

1. **Meeting Called to Order** by President Sikhrangkur at 7:11 PM.

A. **Emergency Exit, No Smoking and 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 are you are seated. Smoking is not allowed on school grounds. Please turn off all communication devices during the business of the Board of Education.*

B. **Pledge of Allegiance**

Dr. Fanning – Tonight’s 4th presentation was on the General Fund. (See Attachment #1)

Dr. Fanning asked the Board to examine the cuts that had been made. The proposed budget is down to \$74,871,352 which is an increase of 3.89%. The contingent budget is 3.92%.

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

Trustee Walters arrived at 7:55 PM.

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**
- D. **Audit Committee** – TBD

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

A. **Superintendent** - None

B. **Personnel**

- 1. Resignation: Principal – PAMES – Gorman-Demmers, G.
- 2. Resignation: Asst. Administrator – PPS – Shapiro, J.
- 3. Extended Appointment Interim Principal – PAMES – Cohn, R.

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

C. Business and Finance –

1. Use of Facilities Request – Item 1

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3C-1 made by Trustee King, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Discussion:** Board asked for the residency list for the Amityville Fire Dept.

Trustee King pulled his motion, Vice President Jordon-Thompson pulled her second.

MOTION to PULL Agenda Item 3C-1 made by Trustee King, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

D. CSE & CPSE Action/Meetings - None

E. Monthly Finance Report - None

F. Curriculum and Instruction –

1. Approval of Conferences – Items 1 through 11

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3F-1 through 3F-3 made by Trustee King, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3F-4 made by Trustee King, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Item 3F-5 made by Trustee King, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Discussion:** Issue is not the cost. The issue is having two administrators absent from their building at the same time. **Motion CARRIED:** 5 Yes, 2 No (Trustee Koza Egglinger and Vice President Jordon-Thompson voted no), 0 Abstain.

MOTION to APPROVE Agenda Items 3F-6 through 3F-11 made by Trustee King, seconded by Vice President Jordon-Thompson. **Discussion:** Floor opened for discussion. **Motion CARRIED:** 7 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

G. Technology - None

Jackie Allen, Amityville – Ms. Allen said that she had attended the SCOPE dinner where Juliet Jordon-Thompson and Mr. Nick Valente were honored for their service to the District.

Trustee Koza Eggliner discussed the possibility of a school garden. Fruit and vegetables could be grown and parents could become involved.

Dr. Williams – Dr. Williams said that the budget presentations are almost done. He suggested adopting the budget next week. On March 31, there will be a meeting at Village Hall with the Mayor, Police Chief and Fire Chief to discuss the emergency evacuation plan for the High School.

2nd Vice President Johnson left at 8:45 PM and returned at 8:48 PM.

President Sikhrangkur appointed 2nd Vice President Lisa Johnson as District Clerk Pro Tem.

