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Board of Education  
Amityville Union Free School District  
Amityville, NY 11701

Special Meeting Minutes- January 11, 2013

Park North Administration Building - 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Board Room- 4:30 PM

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**LOCATION:** Park North Administration Building – 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Board Room

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Vice President Lisa Johnson                      2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Ron Moss  
Trustee Jeannette Santos    President Juliet Jordon-Thompson

**BOE ABSENT:** Trustee Nathan King  
Trustee Mark Epps  
Trustee Michele Sikhrangkur

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:** Dr. John R. Williams, Superintendent of Schools  
Dr. Kathleen Gulbin – Asst. Supt. Curriculum & Instruction  
Mrs. Pauline Collins, Principal-Northeast Elem. School  
Mr. Gary Steffanetta, Esq. Guercio & Guercio  
Mr. Robert Claps-ATA President

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

**COMMUNITY:** 3 members present

1. **MEETING CALLED TO ORDER** by President Jordon-Thompson at 4:53 PM.

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

B. **Pledge of Allegiance** The Board and attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. **Community Input Regarding Board Agenda Items Only** - None

D. **PRESENTATIONS** None

2. **BOARD ACTION RECOMMENDED BY THE BOARD OF EDUCATION**

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

B. **Board Policy Committee** - None

President Jordon-Thompson turned the meeting over to Dr. Williams. Dr. Williams reported that there were 17 pages of corrections to the APPR. It has been a time consuming process for Dr. Gulbin who worked with Mr. Claps and Mrs. Collins. It is a very comprehensive plan. President Jordon-Thompson added that we met with the teachers over the weekend to finalize the paperwork. Dr. Gulbin said that all changes were cosmetic.

*Mr. Gary Steffanetta arrived at 5:00 PM.*

Dr. Gulbin said that changes were made to the appeals process and to the principal evaluations. A lot of calculation went into making it fair. Mr. Claps asked for a sample.

The document was then signed by Mr. Robert Claps and Mrs. Pauline Collins. There was a duplicate paragraph in the document and it was agreed to leave it alone.

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

1. Approval of APPR Plan

**MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Item 2C-1 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Moss. **Motion CARRIED:** 4 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

- D. Audit Committee – None

**3. BOARD ACTION RECOMMENDED BY THE SUPERINTENDENT**

- A. Superintendent – None

- B. Personnel None

- C. Business and Finance

1. Approval of Fund Raising Event – Item 1

**MOTION to APPROVE** Agenda Item 3C-1 made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Moss. **Motion CARRIED:** 4 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

- D. Monthly Finance Report - None

- E. CSE & CPSE Action/Meetings/Educational Service Contracts

- F. Curriculum and Instruction - None

**4. REPORTS**

- A. Legal Counsel for the District –

- B. Superintendent of Schools

- C. Board of Education –

*Dr. Gulbin, Mr. Steffanetta and Mr. Claps left at 5:10 PM.*

*Mr. Steffanetta returned at 5:12 PM.*

Vice President Johnson discussed expansion of principal search. Dr. Williams responded that the New York Times is where people search for employment and we did place an ad in the New York Times. Vice President Johnson asked if it would be better to re-advertise to have a bigger pool. Dr. Williams said that he would place an ad in the New York Times again.

*Mr. Claps returned at 5:15 PM.*

Mr. Steffanetta suggested that we use the school website for the principal search. Trustee Santos suggested using the Administrative Association. It was agreed to place another ad in the New York Times.

**MOTION to ADJOURN** the Special Meeting at 5:10 PM made by 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President Moss, seconded by Trustee Moss. **Motion CARRIED:** 4 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain.

Respectfully submitted,

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Judith O'Neill, District Clerk