

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2014

Board members present: Victoria Handy, Mary Lownes, Patrick Bistran III and Phelan Wolf

Board members absent: Patrick R. Bistran

Others present: Superintendent Tritt, Principal DiPrimo, DPPS Dorr, Clerk Bloecker and Ashley Blackburn

President Handy called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM.

**MEETING CALLED
TO ORDER**

Pledge of allegiance.

**PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE**

Thanks to the Amagansett PTA for the wonderful hot lunch; Congratulations to the Amagansett Fire Department "Fire Prevention Bumper sticker" winners:

THANKS & CONGRATS TO...

Noelly Feliciano (K)
Tommy Brunn (1st)
Liam Cashin (2nd)
Kaya Law (3rd)
Melody Barrett (4th)
Zola Crandall (5th)
Ben Gutterman (6th)

Thank you to the Amagansett School Board Members. In celebration of School Board Appreciation the students expressed their thanks with a musical video and hand-painted pots and plants that were appreciated by all.

**SCHOOL BOARD
RECOGNITION
WEEK**

Upon motion of Mary Lownes, seconded by Phelan Wolf and carried 4-0, the board approved the minutes of the regular meeting held on October 14, 2014, accepted the revised August 2014 treasurer report, accepted the September 2014 treasurer report, accepted the claims auditor report for September 2014, approved the corrective plan for September 2014, approved the warrants for October 1, 2014 and approved the IEP for Student #102030144.

**CONSENT
AGENDA
APPROVED**

Superintendent Tritt commented on the following:

SUPT. COMMENTS

- Education topics in the News
 - Newsday: "Regents to Push Ahead With Change in Regents Exam Requirements"
 - Politico.com: "The Plot Against Public Education"
 - Education Week: "Ed-Tech Industry Weighs Impact of New Data-Privacy Laws"
 - New York Times: "The Building Blocks of a Good Pre-K"
 - Thomas Fordham Institute: "Leveled Reading: The Making of a Literacy Myth"
 - New York Times: "Hard Lesson in Sleep for Teenagers"
 - EngageNY: "Ensuring Equal Educational Opportunities for English Language Learners"
- Affordable Care Act overview
- The November Board of Education meeting changed to November 18, 2014 at 7:30 AM
- Enrollment update

Patrick Bistran III gave a brief update on the acquisition of the original schoolhouse.

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

Upon motion of Mary Lownes, seconded by Phelan Wolf and carried 4-0,
BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of Superintendent Eleanor Tritt, the Amagansett School Board hereby approves the attached Corrective Action Plan as written.

**RESOLUTION #50
CORRECTION
ACTION PLAN
APPROVED**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the District Clerk is authorized to send the aforementioned Corrective Action Plan to the New York State Comptroller as prescribed by law.

Upon motion of Phelan Wolf, seconded by Mary Lownes and carried 4-0,

**RESOLUTION #51
AFFORDABLE CARE
ACT (ACA)**

WHEREAS, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act requires the Amagansett Union Free School District to determine full-time status of ongoing employees in order to

establish eligibility for health insurance coverage; and

**FOR ONGOING
EMPLOYEES**

WHEREAS, eligibility must be determined prior to the start of the health plan year in 2015 and each year thereafter; and

WHEREAS, the regulations under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act allow for look-back measurement periods to be used for ongoing employees to determine whether an employee is a full-time employee; and

WHEREAS, the Amagansett Union Free School District desires to establish a look-back standard measurement period, administrative period and stability period for its ongoing employees; and

WHEREAS, the Amagansett Union Free School District provides a health plan and is a participating municipality under the New York State Health Insurance Program (NYSHIP); and

WHEREAS, the Amagansett Union Free School District's health plan year is a calendar year which runs from January 1st to December 31st; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the standard measurement period for ongoing employees shall be a period of 12 consecutive months to be measured from November 1st to October 31st the following year, beginning with November 1, 2013 and continuing each year thereafter; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the administrative period for ongoing employees shall be a period of 61 days to begin immediately after the standard measurement period on November 1st and continue until December 31st; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the stability period for ongoing employees, determined to have averaged at least 30 hours of service per week (130 hours of service per calendar month) during the standard measurement period, shall be a period of 12 consecutive calendar months to begin immediately after the administrative period on January 1st and to continue until December 31st, beginning with January 1, 2015 and continuing each year thereafter; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the stability period for ongoing employees, determined not to have averaged 30 hours of service or more per week (130 hours of service or more per calendar month) during the standard measurement period, shall be a period of 12 consecutive calendar months to begin immediately after the administrative period on January 1st and continue until December 31st, beginning with January 1, 2015 and continuing each year thereafter; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notwithstanding the foregoing, the Amagansett Union Free School District reserves the right to elect to provide insurance coverage to otherwise eligible employees who are not currently provided insurance coverage or to elect not to provide insurance coverage to otherwise eligible employees.

Upon motion of Mary Lownes, seconded by Phelan Wolf and carried 4-0,

RESOLUTION #52

WHEREAS, the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act requires the Amagansett Union Free District to determine full-time status of new variable hour/new part-time/new seasonal employees in order to establish eligibility for health insurance coverage; and

**AFFORDABLE CARE
ACT (ACA) FOR
VARIABLE
EMPLOYEES**

WHEREAS, the regulations under the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act allow for look-back measurement periods to be used for [new variable hour/new part-time/new seasonal] employees to determine whether an employee is a full-time employee; and

WHEREAS, the Amagansett Union Free District desires to establish a look-back initial measurement period, administrative period and stability period for its [new variable hour/new part-time/new seasonal] employees; and

WHEREAS, the Amagansett Union Free District provides a health plan and is a participating municipality under the New York State Health Insurance Program (NYSHIP); and

WHEREAS, the Amagansett Union Free District's health plan year is a calendar year which runs from January 1st to December 31st; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the initial measurement period for [new variable hour/new part-time/new seasonal] employees shall be a period of 12 consecutive calendar months which shall begin the first day of the first calendar month following the employee's start date; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the administrative period for [new variable hour/new part-time/new seasonal] employees shall be a period which shall begin at the end of the initial measurement period and shall continue through the end of the first full calendar month beginning on or after the end of the initial measurement period; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the stability period for [new variable hour/new part-time/new seasonal] employees, determined to have averaged at least 30 hours of service per week (130 hours of service a calendar month) during the initial measurement period, shall be a period of 12 consecutive calendar months to begin immediately after the administrative period; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the stability period for [new variable hour/new part-time/new seasonal] employees, determined not to have averaged 30 hours of service or more per week (130 hours of service or more per calendar month) during the initial measurement period, shall be a period of 12 consecutive calendar months to begin immediately after the administrative period; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that notwithstanding the foregoing, the Amagansett Union Free School District reserves the right to elect to provide insurance coverage to otherwise eligible employees who are not currently provided insurance coverage or to elect not to provide insurance coverage to otherwise eligible employees.

Upon motion of Mary Lownes, seconded by Patrick Bistran III and carried 4-0,

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of Superintendent Eleanor Tritt, the Amagansett School Board hereby grants permission to the East Hampton Town Recreation Department to use the Amagansett School gymnasium for Youth Basketball on Saturdays commencing December 6, 2014 and terminating on or before March 7, 2015.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this permission is contingent on the fact that Amagansett School students in grades K-6 are eligible to participate and are participating in said program.

**RESOLUTION #53
EH TOWN
SATURDAY
BASKETBALL
APPROVED**

Upon motion of Mary Lownes, seconded by Patrick Bistran III and carried 4-0,

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of Superintendent Eleanor Tritt, the Amagansett School Board hereby authorizes the President of the Board or District Clerk to execute the attached service agreement with MARGARET A. FLOOD for Speech Language Pathologist services for the period retroactively to October 1, 2014 through on before June 30, 2015, as per attached agreement.

**RESOLUTION #54
M. FLOOD
AGREEMENT
APPROVED**

Upon motion of Mary Lownes, seconded by Phelan Wolf and carried 4-0,

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of Superintendent Eleanor Tritt, the Amagansett School Board hereby authorizes the President of the Board or District Clerk to Execute the attached service agreement with Long Island Developmental Consulting, Inc. for district behavior intervention services, autism services and related services for the period retroactively to October 1, 2014 through on or before June 30, 2015.

**RESOLUTION #55
LONG ISLAND
DEVELOPMENTAL
CONSULTING, INC.
AGREEMENT
APPROVED**

Upon motion of Mary Lownes, seconded by Patrick Bistran III and carried 4-0,

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of Superintendent Eleanor Tritt, the Amagansett School Board hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Schools to execute the attached employment agreement with COLLEEN THORNE-FERONE for per diem School Psychologist services on an as-needed basis for the 2014/2015 school year, as per attached.

**RESOLUTION #56
C. THORNE-FERONE
AGREEMENT
APPROVED**

Upon motion of Mary Lownes, seconded by Phelan Wolf and carried 4-0,

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of Superintendent Eleanor Tritt, the Amagansett School Board hereby updates the S.A.V.E. (Schools Against Violence Education) Safety Committee effective immediately as follows:

**RESOLUTION #57
S.A.V.E. SAFETY
COMMITTEE
APPOINTED**

Eleanor Tritt, Administration
Brigit DiPrimo, Administration
Maria Dorr, Administration
Mary Lownes, Board Member
Lieutenant A.J. McGuire, Law Enforcement
Officer Kim Notel, Law Enforcement
Janine Balnis, CPSE Co-Chairperson and School Social Worker
Kerry Griffiths, Buildings and Grounds/School Safety and Local Ambulance
Mike Rodgers, Coach and Bus Driver
Ashley Blackburn, Teacher and SDM Member
Kelly White, Teacher
Cheryl E. Bloecker, Support Staff and SDM Member
Tina Quarty, Support Staff
Cassie Butts, Support Staff
Sandy Nuzzi, Support Staff
Jen Miller, Network Systems Administrator

Mary Jo Bennett, Health and Crisis Intervention Team
Reverend Steven Howarth, Clergy and Local Ambulance
Htun Han, School Community Member and Local Ambulance
Stacey Bistran, Parent and SDM Member
Bruce Bates, East Hampton Town Emergency Preparedness

WHEREAS, this committee's purpose continues to be to develop and recommend revisions to the already established Safety Plan to the Board of Education including such items as:

- policies and procedures for responding to implied or direct threats of violence by students, teachers, other school personnel and visitors to the school;
- policies and procedures for responding to acts of violence by students, teachers, other school personnel as well as visitors to the school, including consideration of zero-tolerance policies for school violence;
- appropriate prevention and intervention strategies such as
 - non-violent conflict resolution training programs; and
 - peer mediation programs
- policies and procedures for annual school safety training for staff and students

Upon motion of Mary Lownes, seconded by Patrick Bistran III and carried 4-0, the board went into executive session at 7:13 PM to discuss a student matter.

**EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

The board returned to public session at 7:55 PM.

RETURN TO PUBLIC

Upon motion of Phelan Wolf, seconded by Mary Lownes and carried 4-0, the meeting was adjourned at 7:56 PM.

**MEETING
ADJOURNED**

AFFIRMATION: I, Cheryl E. Bloecker, District Clerk of the Amagansett Union Free School District, do hereby affirm that the minutes of this meeting are true and accurate statements of the proceedings.

AFFIRMATION

Dated: October 28, 2014

Cheryl E. Bloecker, District Clerk

Approved 11/18/2014