

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2015

Board members present: Victoria Handy, Patrick R. Bistran and Phelan Wolf

Board members absent: Patrick Bistran III and Steve Graboski

Others present: Superintendent Tritt, Principal Dorr, Interim Administrator Lamorgese, Clerk Bloecker, Treasurer Ecker, Clerk Nuzzi, Ashley Blackburn, Marian Greene, Cindy Kamp, Kristin Powell, Kaitlin Hamilton, Jason Hancock, Janine Balnis, Meghan Payne, Shawn Mitchell, Randi Ball, Andy Stern and Charlotte Sasso (arrived 7:41 am)

President Handy called the meeting to order at 7:30 AM.

**MEETING CALLED
TO ORDER**

Pledge of allegiance.

**PLEDGE
OF
ALLEGIANCE**

Thanks to the PTA, teachers and students for the scrumptious, festive and entertaining Thanksgiving Feast; Accolades to all the students and teachers that participated in the Turkey Trot; Thanks and accolades to the Student Council and PTA for the fun and healthy smoothies that kicked off their new "Smoothie of the Season" program; and CONGRATULATIONS TO all East Hampton Middle School and East Hampton High School Honor Roll Recipients.

**THANKS
TO...**

Upon motion of Phelan Wolf, seconded by Patrick R. Bistran and carried 3-0, the minutes of the regular meeting held on November 10, 2015 were approved, the treasurer reports for October 2015 were accepted, the warrants for October 14, 15, 26, 27, 28 and November 4, 13, 24, 2015 were approved and IEP's for Students #102030025 & 10000750000 were approved.

**CONSENT
AGENDA**

Superintendent Tritt commented on the following:

SUPT. COMMENTS

- Education topics in the news
 - Education Week: "RTI Practice Falls Short of Promise Research Finds"
 - Washington Post: "How 'Twisted' Early Childhood Education Has Become – From a Child Development Expert"
 - New York Times: "Cuomo, in Shift, is Said to Back Reducing Test Scores' Role in Teacher Reviews"
 - Newsday: "The Pressures to Consolidate LI's School Districts"
 - Timesunion: "Report: Cuomo May Backtrack on Tying Teacher Evaluation to Common Core Scores"
 - New York Times: "House Restores Local Education Control in Revising No Child Left Behind"
 - Port Jefferson School District: "Statement on the Educational Reform Agenda"
 - Suffolk County School Superintendent's Association (SCSSA): Common Core Standards/APPR
 - New York State Association of School Business Officials (NYSASBO): NYSASBO 2016/2017 School Aid Proposal: Fulfilling the Education Promise
 - New Registration Requirements for Classroom Teachers and School Leaders Holding a Permanent or Professional Certificate, and Teaching Assistant Level III Certificate Holders
- Draft BOCES 2016/2017 school calendar
- Enrollment update

Vice-President Bistran and Superintendent Tritt reported on the recent East End Superintendent/ Superintendent/President/Vice-President meeting that they attended in Montauk.

**COMMITTEE
REPORTS**

Upon motion of Patrick R. Bistran, seconded by Phelan Wolf and carried 3-0,

RESOLUTION #48

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of Superintendent Eleanor Tritt the Amagansett School Board hereby abolishes a part-time Special Education position (.9FTE) and creates a full-time Special Education position , and

**K. POWELL
PROBATIONARY
SPECIAL ED
TEACHER**

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Amagansett School Board hereby appoints KRISTIN POWELL to the probationary position of Special Education Teacher in the tenure area of Special

Education commencing retroactively to November 11, 2015 and expiring on November 10, 2019*. Ms. Powell holds valid New York State certifications in the areas of:

Students with Disabilities (Birth-2nd)
Students with Disabilities (Grades 1-6)
Childhood Education (Grades 1-6)
Teaching Assistant, Level 1

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Ms. Powell will be paid at the rate of Column F, Step 2 (Masters + 30) of the current teachers' contract, effective November 11, 2015.

*This individual must receive three (3) annual APPR composite ratings of Effective or Highly Effective, in at least three (3) of the preceding four (4) years and cannot have an APPR composite rating of Ineffective in the last of his or her probationary appointment to be granted or considered for tenure.

Upon motion of Patrick R. Bistran, seconded by Phelan Wolf and carried 3-0,

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of Superintendent Eleanor Tritt, the Amagansett School Board hereby grants permission to the Southampton Youth Services, Inc. to use the Amagansett School gymnasium for the period retroactively to November 30, 2015 through on or before April 1, 2016, as per attached request. This permission is granted contingent upon the fact that a coach is an Amagansett resident and resident students in grades 3-6 are eligible to participate and are participating in said program.

**RESOLUTION #49
SOUTHAMPTON
YOUTH
BASKETBALL
APPROVED**

Upon motion of Phelan Wolf, seconded by Patrick R. Bistran and carried 3-0,

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of Superintendent Eleanor Tritt, the Amagansett School Board hereby appoints the following person to the previously established substitute list for the 2015/2016 school year:

Joseph T. Van Asco C

**RESOLUTION #50
SUBSTITUTE LIST
UPDATED**

Upon motion of Phelan Wolf, seconded by Patrick R. Bistran and carried 3-0,

BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Policy #5230 – Acceptance of Gifts, Grants and Bequests to the School District, the Amagansett School Board hereby accepts a donation of a gift from Elizabeth Ramos of an assorted library books, valued at \$791.32.

**RESOLUTION #51
BOOK
DONATION
ACCEPTED**

Upon motion of Patrick R. Bistran, seconded by Phelan Wolf and carried 3-0,

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of Superintendent Eleanor Tritt, the Amagansett School Board hereby deems the attached list of library books as “outdated information/ poor condition/old (does not circulate)/poor condition (does not circulate) or not circulated for at least 10 years”.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the School Media Specialist is hereby authorized to dispose of these books in a manner that is most advantageous to the District.

**RESOLUTION #52
LIBRARY BOOKS
SURPLUSED**

There was discussion with regard to the Kindergarten and Grade 1 combining for special area classes.

**COMBINED K & 1
SPECIAL AREA
CLASSES**

Upon motion of Patrick R. Bistran, seconded by Phelan Wolf and carried 3-0, the board went into executive session at 8:11 AM to discuss student items, a legal item, a contractual item and a personnel item.

**EXECUTIVE
SESSION**

The board returned to public session at 9:19 AM.

**RETURN TO
PUBLIC SESSION**

Upon motion of Patrick R. Bistran, seconded by Phelan Wolf and carried 3-0, the meeting was

MEETING

adjourned at 9:20 AM.

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: December 8, 2015

Cheryl E. Bloecker, District Clerk

Approved, 12/22/2015