

AMAGANSETT SCHOOL
Minutes of Regular Board of Education Meeting
Tuesday, October 11, 2016
7:30 AM

MINUTES

Board members present: Patrick R. Bistran, Patrick Bistran III, Hank Muchnic, Kristen Peterson and Dawn Dawn Rana-Brophy

Others present: Superintendent Tritt, Principal Dorr, Clerk Bloecker, Treasurer Ecker, Brittany Cabrera, Meghan Payne, Ashley Blackburn, Kerry Griffiths and Joseph J. Kehm (EFPR Group, LLP)

Call to order – The President called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM

Pledge of Allegiance

Thanks to the Amagansett PTA for a wonderful and inviting “Back-to-School Picnic”, Amber Waves “Potluck Dinner”, “Pizza Friday’s” and the upcoming “Scarecrow” project that is enjoyed by the entire Amagansett community.

Congratulations to...The Amagansett Student Council for 2016/2017:

President, Lua Li
Vice-President, Liam Fowkes
Treasurer, Claire McGovern
Secretary, Stephen Skrenta
Ambassador, Finnian Byrnes

Community Comments – None

Consent Agenda – Upon motion of Patrick Bistran III, seconded by Dawn Rana-Brophy and carried 5-0, the following were approved/accepted:

- Minutes (9/13/2016 Regular Meeting)
- Treasurer reports (August 2016)
- Claims audit report (August 2016)
- Corrective action plan (August 2016)

Superintendent’s Comments

- Audit report – Mr. Joseph Kehm, partner at EFPR Group LLP presented the Financial and Audit report for the year ending June 30, 2016, which will be posted on the District’s website
- Education Topics in the News
 - Washington Post – “Obama’s Education Policies are a ‘Disaster,’ Diane Ravitch Tells Hillary Clinton”
 - Education Week – Studies Flag Potential Downside to Inclusion”
 - Washington Post – “America Has a Teacher Shortage and a New Study Says It’s Getting Worse”
 - Newsday – “The Booming ‘Internet of Things’ and LI Companies’ Role”
 - New York Times – “Apple Offers Free App to Teach Children Coding (iPads Sold Separately)”
 - Newsday – New York State Proposes Changes to Common Core Standards”
 - Washington Post – “Wall Street’s New Way of Making Money from Public Education – and Why it’s a Problem”
 - Newsday – “DiNapoli: Tight School Tax Caps, Low State Funding Possible Again”
 - A Special Report by Marc Ferris and Spencer Raley – “The Elephant in the Classroom: Mass Immigration’s Impact on Public Education”
 - Newsday – “Cuomo: Schools Must Test Water for Lead Under New State Law”
 - 27east – “Schools Must Begin Widespread Testing for Lead Contamination in Drinking Water”
 - NYSDOH – “Lead Testing in School Drinking Water”

- Water testing results were discussed and report is posted on District's website
- Enrollment

Committee reports – Patrick Bistran shared the timeline for upcoming projects at the First Schoolhouse

Old Business

Resolution #25 - Upon motion of Hank Muchnic, seconded by Dawn Rana-Brophy and carried 5-0, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of Superintendent Eleanor Tritt, the Amagansett School board hereby adopts the following policies/regulations/forms:

- Policy # 7617 – Pre-Referral Intervention Strategies (2nd reading)

New Business

Resolution #26 – Upon motion of Hank Muchnic, seconded by Kristen Peterson and carried 5-0, BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of Superintendent Eleanor Tritt, the Amagansett School Board

hereby updates the stipend following stipends for the 2016/2017 school year:

Employee	Position	Rate/Stipend
Kristen Powell	Bus Aide	\$39.00/hr.
Jacqueline Chambers	Bus Aide	\$39.00/hr.
Kammy Ball	Bus Aide Substitute	\$39.00/hr.
Marith McMahon	Bus Aide Substitute	\$39.00/hr.
Marian Greene	Bus Aide Substitute	\$39.00/hr.
Shawn Mitchell	Student Council Advisor	\$1,119/annum

As per ATA Contract the tutorial rate is \$54.00 per hour and the non-tutorial rate is \$39.00 per hour. All certified personnel listed above are eligible to substitute for any previously approved stipend positions.

Resolution #27 – Upon motion of Kristen Peterson, seconded by Hank Muchnic and carried 5-0, 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:

- Eleanor Tritt, Administration
- Maria Dorr, Administration
- Thomas Lamorgese, Administration
- Dawn Rana-Brophy, Board Member
- Officer Kim Notel, Law Enforcement
- Chief Allen Bennett, Amagansett Fire Department
- Kaitlin Hamilton, School Psychologist
- Kerry Griffiths, Buildings and Grounds/School Safety and Local Ambulance
- Mike Rodgers, Teacher and Bus Driver
- Kelly White, Teacher
- Ashley Blackburn, Teacher
- Cheryl E. Bloecker, District Clerk and SDM Member
- Tina Quarty, School Secretary
- Cassie Butts, Receptionist
- Sandy Nuzzi, Principal Clerk
- Jen Miller, Network Systems Administrator
- Mary Jo Bennett, Health and Crisis Intervention Team
- Reverend Steven Howarth, Clergy
- Htun Han, School Community Member and Local Ambulance
- Stacey Bistran, Parent and SDM Member
- Bruce Bates, East Hampton Town Emergency Preparedness

Resolution #28 - Upon motion of Kristen Peterson, seconded by Hank Muchnic and carried 5-0,

WHEREAS, the Amagansett School Board is committed to complying with the State mandated Annual Professional Performance Review (APPR) process, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Amagansett School Board hereby certifies that Superintendent of Schools Eleanor Tritt is certified as a Lead Evaluator of Teachers and Principals and has been trained in the following areas:

1. the New York State Teaching Standards, and their related elements and performance indicators and the Leadership Standards and their related functions, as applicable
2. evidence-based observation techniques that are grounded in research
3. application and use of the student growth percentile model and the value-added growth model as defined in section 30-2.2 of this Subpart
4. application and use of the State-approved teacher or principal rubric (2) selected by the district or BOCES for use in evaluations, including training on the effective application of such rubrics to observe a teacher or principal's practice
5. application and use of any assessment tools that the school district or BOCES utilizes to evaluate its classroom teachers or building principals, including but not limited to, structured portfolio reviews; student, parent, teacher and/or community surveys; professional growth goals and school improvement goals, etc.
6. application and use of any State-approved locally selected measures of student achievement used by the school district or BOCES to evaluate its teachers or principals
7. use of the Statewide Instructional Reporting System
8. the scoring methodology utilized by the Department and/or the district or BOCES to evaluate a teacher or principal under this Subpart, including how scores are generated for each subcomponent and the composite effectiveness score and application and use of the scoring ranges prescribed by the Commissioner for the four designated rating categories used for the teacher's or principal's overall rating and their subcomponent ratings
9. specific consideration in evaluating teachers and principals of English language learners and students with disabilities

Resolution #29 – Upon motion of Kristen Peterson, seconded by Hank Muchnic and carried 5-0,

WHEREAS, the Amagansett School Board is committed to complying with the State mandated Annual Professional Performance Review (APPR) process, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Amagansett School Board hereby certifies that Principal Maria Dorr is certified as a Lead Evaluator of Teachers and Principals and has been trained in the following areas:

1. the New York State Teaching Standards, and their related elements and performance indicators and the Leadership Standards and their related functions, as applicable
2. evidence-based observation techniques that are grounded in research
3. application and use of the student growth percentile model and the value-added growth model as defined in section 30-2.2 of this Subpart
4. application and use of the State-approved teacher or principal rubric (2) selected by the district or BOCES for use in evaluations, including training on the effective application of such rubrics to observe a teacher or principal's practice
5. application and use of any assessment tools that the school district or BOCES utilizes to evaluate its classroom teachers or building principals, including but not limited to, structured portfolio reviews; student, parent, teacher and/or community surveys; professional growth goals and school improvement goals, etc.
6. application and use of any State-approved locally selected measures of student achievement used by the school district or BOCES to evaluate its teachers or principals
7. use of the Statewide Instructional Reporting System
8. the scoring methodology utilized by the Department and/or the district or BOCES to evaluate a teacher or principal under this Subpart, including how scores are generated for each subcomponent and the composite effectiveness score and application and use of the scoring ranges prescribed by the Commissioner for the four designated rating categories used for the teacher's or principal's overall rating and their subcomponent ratings
9. specific consideration in evaluating teachers and principals of English language learners and students with disabilities

Resolution #30 – Upon motion of Kristen Peterson, seconded by Hank Muchnic and carried 5-0,
WHEREAS, the Amagansett School Board is committed to complying with the State mandated Annual Professional Performance Review (APPR) process, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Amagansett School Board hereby certifies that Interim Administrator Thomas Lamorgese is certified as a Lead Evaluator of Teachers and Principals and has been trained in the following areas:

10. the New York State Teaching Standards, and their related elements and performance indicators and the Leadership Standards and their related functions, as applicable
11. evidence-based observation techniques that are grounded in research
12. application and use of the student growth percentile model and the value-added growth model as defined in section 30-2.2 of this Subpart
13. application and use of the State-approved teacher or principal rubric (2) selected by the district or BOCES for use in evaluations, including training on the effective application of such rubrics to observe a teacher or principal's practice
14. application and use of any assessment tools that the school district or BOCES utilizes to evaluate its classroom teachers or building principals, including but not limited to, structured portfolio reviews; student, parent, teacher and/or community surveys; professional growth goals and school improvement goals, etc.
15. application and use of any State-approved locally selected measures of student achievement used by the school district or BOCES to evaluate its teachers or principals
16. use of the Statewide Instructional Reporting System
17. the scoring methodology utilized by the Department and/or the district or BOCES to evaluate a teacher or principal under this Subpart, including how scores are generated for each subcomponent and the composite effectiveness score and application and use of the scoring ranges prescribed by the Commissioner for the four designated rating categories used for the teacher's or principal's overall rating and their subcomponent ratings
18. specific consideration in evaluating teachers and principals of English language learners and students with disabilities

Resolution #31 - Upon motion of Dawn Rana-Brophy, seconded by Hank Muchnic and carried 5-0,

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of Superintendent Eleanor Tritt, the Amagansett School Board does hereby accept the independent audit report and management letter for the 2015/2016 school year as prepared by independent auditors, EFPR Group, LLP.

Resolution #32 – Upon motion of Patrick Bistran III, seconded by Dawn Rana-Brophy and carried 5-0,

BE IT RESOLVED upon recommendation of Superintendent Eleanor Tritt, the Amagansett School Board hereby authorizes the Board President to notify the East Hampton Town Assessor's office, in writing, the amount of the tax levy for the 2016/2017 school year, distributed as follows:

Tax for School Purposes	\$ 9,092,446
Tax for Public Library	\$ 995,223
Total	\$10,087,669

Supporting document is attached to this resolution.

Resolution #33 – Upon motion of Kristen Peterson, seconded by Hank Muchnic and carried 5-0,

BE IT RESOLVED that upon recommendation of Superintendent Eleanor Tritt, the Amagansett School Board hereby adopts the "Building Emergency Response Plan", effective immediately.

Resolution #34 – Upon motion of Hank Muchnic, seconded by Dawn Rana-Brophy and carried 5-0,

BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of Superintendent Eleanor Tritt, the Amagansett School Board hereby appoints/reappoints the following persons to the previously established substitute list for the 2016/2017 school year: Nancy Nagel C

Resolution #35 – Upon motion of Kristen Peterson, seconded by Hank Muchnic and carried 5-0, BE IT RESOLVED, that upon recommendation of Superintendent Eleanor Tritt, the Amagansett School Board hereby retroactively approves the request from the Amagansett PTA to borrow 25-30 folding chairs for their Amber Waves Potluck Dinner that was held on Wednesday, October 5, 2016.

Community Comments - None

Executive Session – Upon motion of Hank Muchnic, seconded by Dawn Rana-Brophy and carried 5-0, the board went into executive session at 8:41 AM and moved to Superintendent Tritt's office to discuss the following:

- Personnel item

Return to Public Session – 9:22 AM

Adjournment – Upon motion of Hank Muchnic, seconded by Dawn Rana-Brophy and carried 5-0, the meeting was adjourned at 9:23 AM.

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 accurate statements of the proceedings.

Dated: October 11, 2016

Cheryl E. Bloecker, District Clerk

Approved, 10/25/2016