

August 11, 2014

A special Action Meeting of the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District was held on Monday, August 11, 2014, in the Board Room of the Administration Building. Michael Pomerico, President of the Board of Education, called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

Those present were: Mr. Michael Pomerico, President
 Mr. Anthony J. Miller, Vice President
 Mr. Ronald Ellerbe, Trustee
 Ms. Vilma Lancaster, Trustee
 Ms. Debra Mulé, Trustee

Absent were: none

Also present were: Dr. Kishore Kuncham, Superintendent of Schools
 Dr. Mary Bediako, Assistant Superintendent for
 Personnel, Special Projects & District Clerk
 Mr. Louis S. Frontario, Assistant Superintendent for
 Business
 Mr. Michael Singleton, Executive Director of Operations

Also absent were: Mr. Gerard Poole, Assistant Superintendent for
 Curriculum and Instruction

The number of people in the audience at the opening of the meeting was 8.

Superintendents Report

Dr. Kishore Kuncham, Superintendent of Schools, welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked the Board for having this special meeting in order to take care of business.

The Superintendent then shared some wonderful things that are going on over the summer in Freeport Schools:

- Over 200 children participated in the Summer Arts Academy and they had a presentation on July 30, 2014 at Freeport High School that was truly amazing.
- All the summer programs are going very well.
- Summer School ends this week and Summer Graduation will take place on Monday August 18, 2014 at Freeport High School.
- We anticipate that the graduation rate will be a new record at 80%.

In other news, New York State has reached a settlement with French Banks and will receive a windfall of 6.2 billion dollars. There is now no reason the Gap Elimination Adjustment and cuts to Foundation Aid should continue.

Dr. Kuncham then reviewed the action that the Board will take this evening.

Items for Action

On a motion by Mr. Ellerbe and a second by Ms. Mulé the following items were approved on a Consent Agenda. The vote was unanimous, Ellerbe, Lancaster, Miller, Mulé and Pomerico.

Acceptance of the Minutes

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby accepts the minutes of the following meeting as written: July 21, 2014.

Leave of Absence

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby grants a request for leave of absence as listed below:
Beulah Gibson, Food Service Helper, effective April 24, 2014 through June 30, 2014 and now extended through September 14, 2014, for health reasons.

Additional Assignments

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby approves the following additional assignments as listed below:

Sherrie Papayanopoulos, full-time Teaching Assistant, effective September 1, 2014, additional assignment to Lab Facilitator, annual stipend: \$4,371.

Ellen Cassella, full-time Teaching Assistant, effective September 1, 2014, additional assignment to Lab Facilitator, annual stipend: \$4,371.

Joshua Levitt, Early College Program Coordinator, effective September 1, 2014, an additional assignment, funded through the PTECH Grant, with an annual stipend of \$5,393.

Termination of Staff

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby acknowledges the contributions of **David Brown** for his committed service to our students and community. Mr. Brown served our District with dedication and pride for over nine years.

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby acknowledges the contributions of **Dara Shulman** for her committed service to our students and community. Ms. Shulman served our District with dedication and pride for more than 19 years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby, with deep regret and sorrow, terminates the employment of the individuals listed below:

David Brown, Security Aide, effective July 28, 2014, deceased, after serving the students and community for over 9 years.

Dara Shulman, Elementary Teacher, effective August 3, 2014, deceased, after serving the students and community for more than 19 years.

Resignation of Staff

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby accepts the letter(s) of resignation from the following staff member(s) as listed below:

Tiffany Grimes, full-time Teaching Assistant, effective August 31, 2014, to accept another position in the District.

Appointment of Instructional Staff - Probationary

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby appoints the individuals listed in the attached Appointment of Staff Report - Temporary, in accordance with the rules of the Board of Regents. These individuals shall possess appropriate certification allowing them to serve as teachers in the public schools of New York.

Jessica Zamora, Elementary Teacher, (replacing W. Cave, retired) a probationary appointment effective September 1, 2014 with anticipated tenure September 1, 2017. Compensation for this position will be on Step 1-1A of the U4C Schedule at \$53,596. Assignment: Bayview.

Tiffany Grimes, Elementary Teacher, (replacing M. Tetenbaum, re-assigned) a probationary appointment effective September 1, 2014 with anticipated tenure September 1, 2017. Compensation for this position will be on Step 1-2A of the U4D Schedule at \$63,301. Assignment: New Visions.

George DiGiovanni, (replacing R. Ir, retired) a probationary appointment effective September 1, 2014 with anticipated tenure September 1, 2017. Compensation for this position will be on Step 1-1A of the U4C Schedule at \$53,596. Assignment: Giblyn.

Theresa Milone, full-time Teaching Assistant, (replacing J. Lisa Denis) retired, a probationary appointment, effective September 1, 2014 with anticipated tenure September 1, 2017. Compensation for this position will be \$19,713 according to the FTAA Contract plus a stipend of \$4,371 as Lab Facilitator. Assignment: FHS.

Stefany Grigorian, full-time Teaching Assistant, (replacing S. Rose resigned), a probationary appointment, effective September 1, 2014 with anticipated tenure September 1, 2017. Compensation for this position will be \$19,713 according to the FTAA Contract. Assignment: Archer.

Carissa Grimaldi, Elementary Teacher, (new) a probationary appointment effective September 1, 2014 with anticipated tenure September 1, 2017. Compensation for this position will be on Step 1-2A of the U4D Schedule at \$63,301. Assignment: Giblyn.

Jessica Tiefenwerth, full-time Teaching Assistant, (replacing L. Valerie-Randazzo, retired), a probationary appointment, effective September 1, 2014 with anticipated tenure September 1, 2017. Compensation for this position will be \$19,713 according to the FTAA Contract. Assignment: Archer.

Temporary

Ann Whitter, Food Service Worker, (5 hour per day), (replacing H. DeRiggs, retired),) a probationary appointment effective September 1, 2014 for a period of 26 weeks upon Civil Service approval. Compensation for this position shall be according to the Food Service Salary Schedule at \$13,132. Assignment: New Visions.

Other Items for Action

On a motion by Ms. Mulé and a second by Mr. Miller the following item was approved:

Approval of Consultants

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby approve the agreement between the following consultant(s) and the Freeport Union Free School District, as per the list below for; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education authorizes the Superintendent (or his designee) to execute said agreement(s) on its behalf.

LI STEM Hub	FHS	Work with industry partners to develop a network of support, to coordinate teacher externship and professional development opportunities, to assist with curriculum development and program design, provide field trips and guest speakers.	\$12,475	July 1, 2014- August 31, 2015 Math & Science Partnership Grant
EdWorks, LLC	FHS	Two days of professional development for 40 staff	\$5,630	Smart Scholars

		members on the Early College High School model and ways to design units of study to help students be college and career-ready.		Early College High School Grant
Cradle of Aviation Museum	Dodd Middle School, Freeport H.S. Grades 7-10	Year 2-Museum In A Box-Outreach brings hands-on minds-on project based activities to schools.	\$18,000	Strengthening Teacher Leader Effectiveness Grant (STLE3)
Patricia Belfi	District-wide	Provide support to mentors and interns in building leadership skills, including training in classroom observation.	\$7,500	Mentor Teacher Internship Grant

The resolution was approved unanimously, Ellerbe, Lancaster, Miller, Mulé and Pomerico.

On a motion by Mr. Miller and a second by Mr. Ellerbe the following item was approved:

Budget Transfers – Year Ending June 30, 2014 /General Fund

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby approves the attached Budget Transfer for the year ending June 30, 2014 and a Budget Transfer within the General Fund for June, 2014.

The resolution was approved unanimously, Ellerbe, Lancaster, Miller, Mulé and Pomerico.

On a motion by Ms. Lancaster and a second by Mr. Ellerbe the following item was approved:

Approval of an Amendment – Triton Construction

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby approves the Fifth Amendment to the Agreement for Construction Management with Triton Construction Management dated March 20, 2007 and amended for the period April 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014 for a term of nine (9) months with a cost not to exceed \$108,000.

The resolution was approved unanimously, Ellerbe, Lancaster, Miller, Mulé and Pomerico.

On a motion by Ms. Lancaster and a second by Mr. Ellerbe the following item was approved:

**Approval for Participation in the Nassau County School District
Purchasing Consortium Cooperative Bidding Program for 2014/2015**

WHEREAS the Freeport Union Free School District is desirous of participating in the Nassau County School Districts Director of Facilities Purchasing Consortium (“Consortium”) Cooperative Bidding Program as permitted under the General Municipal law with no costs associated with participation in the cooperative bidding program and including the following Nassau County School Districts:

DISTRICTS

Valley Stream 30	Syosset
Seaford	Oceanside
Malverne	Freeport
East Williston	Syosset
Great Neck	Massapequa
Bellmore-Merrick HS District	Wantagh
Roosevelt	Elmont
Levittown	Port Washington
Hewlett-Woodmere	Westbury
Floral Park-Bellrose	Babylon
Jericho	Uniondale
Valley Stream HS	North Merrick
Lynbrook	East Meadow
West Hempstead	Long Beach
Carl Place	East Rockaway
Herricks	Glen Cove
North Shore CSD	Baldwin
Garden City	Manhasset
Great Neck	North Bellmore
Rockville Centre	North Shore
Mineola	Island Trees
Hicksville	

AND WHEREAS, the following participating school districts in the Consortium have (or will) prepare, advertise, receive and award bids for procurement of various school facility repair and other services, equipment and supplies for the 2014/2015 school year:

CONTRACT

Blinds & Shades
Burners & Boiler Service
Carpet & Tile Installation
Custodial Equipment Repair
Custodial Supplies

DISTRICT

Valley Stream 30
Seaford
Malverne
East Williston
Great Neck

Door Installation & Repair	Bellmore-Merrick HS District
Drag Mop Rental	Roosevelt
Dumpsters	Levittown
Electrical Supplies	Hewlett-Woodmere
Electrician Service	Hewlett-Woodmere
Elevator Maintenance	Floral Park-Bellmore
Emergency Generator Service	Jericho
Equipment Rental	Valley Stream HS
Fence Installation & Repair	Seaford
Fire Extinguisher Service	Lynbrook
Fuel Tank Alarm Repairs	West Hempstead
General Construction Repairs	Carl Place
Geese-Dog Service	Herricks
General A/C Refrigeration Repairs & Service	North Shore CSD
General Boiler-Welding	Garden City
Green Supplies	Great Neck
Grounds, Equipment Repair	Rockville Centre
Irrigation-Installation & Service	Mineola
Kitchen Equipment Repair	Hicksville
Lock Supply & Hardware	Syosset
Locksmith Services	Oceanside
Lumber & Masonry Supplies	Jericho
Organic Lawn Care/Field	Freeport
Maintenance & Supplies	
PA, Intercom & Master Clock Service	Syosset
Paint & Associated Supplies	Massapequa
Painting Service	Wantagh
Pest Control Services	Elmont
Plumbing Service	Port Washington
Pneumatic Controls	Syosset
Pump Repair	Westbury
Roofing Repair	Baldwin
Running Track & Tennis Court Repairs	Uniondale
Signs & Associated Supplies	North Merrick
Site work, Asphalt, Concrete, Lot Sweeping	East Meadow
Slate Roof Repair	Hewlett-Woodmere
Small Equipment	Long Beach
Split Air Conditioning Units	East Rockaway
Steam Traps & Parts	Glen Cove
Suspended Ceiling Installation	Baldwin
Theatrical Lighting	Malverne
Trash Bags	Roosevelt
Tree Maintenance	Manhasset
Uniforms	North Bellmore

Universal Waste Recycling
Window Glazing Repairs & Parts

North Shore
Island Trees

The resolution was approved unanimously, Ellerbe, Lancaster, Miller, Mulé and Pomerico.

On a motion by Ms. Mulé and a second by Mr. Ellerbe the following item was approved:

Acceptance of an Organic Lawn Supplies Bid

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby awards the following bid as listed in the attached Bid award the following bid as listed in the attached Bid Award Report and as recommended in the attached bid recommendation, accepting the lowest responsible bid as per bid specifications, and reserving the right to increase or decrease quantities of each item as needed and:

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Freeport School District in accordance with Section 103 of General Municipal Law accept the bid on behalf of Nassau County Directors of Facilities Purchasing Consortium.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby awards the Organic Lawn Supplies portion of the Consortium bid to L. I. Cauliflower for the term of August 1, 2014 through June 30, 2015.

The resolution was approved unanimously, Ellerbe, Lancaster, Miller, Mulé and Pomerico.

On a motion by Mr. Miller and a second by Ms. Lancaster the following item was approved:

Approval of Program Transfer for Adult Education

WHEREAS, the Freeport School District currently offers an adult education program for which it receives funds from the N.Y.S. Education Department; and

WHEREAS, the Board desires to have Nassau BOCES assume the responsibility for applying for and receiving employment preparation education funds, as well as the administration of the adult education program funded by said employment preparation education funding; and

WHEREAS, the Freeport School District desires to withdraw as a recipient of said funds and program;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby authorizes the Board of Education President to execute the necessary agreement(s) with the Nassau BOCES to effectuate the transfer of the

administration of the School District's adult education program funded with employment preparation education funds to the Nassau BOCES.

The resolution was approved unanimously, Ellerbe, Lancaster, Miller, Mulé and Pomerico.

The Superintendent and Board President welcomed the new staff members to the Freeport Family and presented them with a pin.

Executive Session

At 8:00 p.m. Ms. Lancaster moved to adjourn to executive session for two specific matters of negotiations.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Ellerbe and passed unanimously.

The vote was: Ellerbe, Lancaster, Miller, Mulé and Pomerico.

At 9:00 p.m., on a motion by Ms. Mulé and seconded by Ms. Lancaster, the Board returned to open session. The motion carried unanimously.

The vote was; Ellerbe, Lancaster, Miller, Mulé and Pomerico .

Adjournment

At 9:02 p.m., with no other business, on a motion by Mr. Miller and seconded by Ms. Lancaster, the Board adjourned the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

The vote was; Ellerbe, Lancaster, Miller, Mulé and Pomerico.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary R. Bediako,
Clerk of the Board