

**November 5, 2014**

The regular Planning/Action Meeting of the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District was held on Wednesday, November 5, 2014, in the cafeteria of the Caroline G. Atkinson Intermediate School. Michael Pomerico, President of the Board of Education, called the meeting to order at 7:32 p.m. He then led the pledge of allegiance.

Those present were: Mr. Michael Pomerico, President  
Mr. Anthony J. Miller, Vice President  
Mr. Ronald Ellerbe, Trustee (arrived 7:35 pm)  
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. Gerard Poole, Assistant Superintendent for  
Curriculum and Instruction  
Mr. Louis Frontario, Assistant Superintendent for Business  
Mr. Michael Singleton, Executive Director of Operations

Also absent were: none

The number of people in the audience at the opening of the meeting was 15.

**Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Kishore Kuncham, Superintendent of Schools welcomed everyone to the meeting and informed everyone that it was with deepest sympathy he was requesting a moment of silence for a new student to our District, Abbigale Thomas, who tragically passed away.

The Superintendent expressed his congratulations to Josephine Velez, Employee of the Month from Archer Street Schools.

Dr. Kuncham announced the top 10 students from the Class of 2015:

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| 1. Mohdshobair Hussaini | 6. Lynda Tinglin      |
| 2. Lois Evans           | 7. Brian Abreu-Tejada |
| 3. Monique Simmon       | 8. Champ LaRocca      |
| 4. Rachel Julian        | 9. Mariela Carvajal   |
| 5. Nicolle Salazar      | 10. Ashley Grissom    |

He then announced the launch of Freeport Parent University on November 17, 2014, at Freeport High School from 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

The Superintendent then introduced Mr. Gerard Poole, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction and Ms. Sue Greca, Director of Second Languages. They gave a power point presentation to inform everyone on programs, services and an update on regulations for English Language Learners. (as attached)

### **Questions from the Public**

The public was given the opportunity to address the Board of Education. Each speaker was allowed to address the Board for four minutes on any topic. The Board and administration addressed the comments from the public.

### **Items for Action**

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

#### **Authorization to Sign an Agreement**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby authorizes the Superintendent (or his designee) to execute an agreement with Hofstra University for the 2014 Freeport High School Commencement to be held at the David S. Mack Sports Complex at Hofstra University on Friday, June 19, 2015.

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

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

#### **Approval of a Local Assistance Plan**

**Whereas**, all public schools in New York State are held accountable for performance of their students according to federal No Child Left Behind and New York State regulations, and Freeport High School has been identified as a Local Assistance Plan School for the 2014-15 school year for achievement gaps for English language Learners and Special Education students;

**Be it resolved**, that the Board of education approves the Local Assistance Plan for Freeport High School; and upon its approval, a copy of the Diagnostic Self-Review and Template will be posted on the Curriculum and Instruction tab on the District's homepage.

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

**Executive Session**

At 9:05 p.m. Mr. Ellerbe moved to adjourn to executive session for one matter of negotiations and one student matter.

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

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

At 9:45 p.m., on a motion by Mr. Ellerbe and a second by Mr. Miller the Board returned to open session. The motion carried unanimously.

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

**Adjournment**

At 9:46 p.m. with no other business on a motion by Mr. Ellerbe and seconded by Ms. Lancaster, the Board adjourned the meeting.

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

**Next Meeting**

The next regularly scheduled Action meeting of the Board of Education will be on November 19, 2014, 7:30 p.m., at John W. Dodd Intermediate School.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary R. Bediako, Ed. D.  
District Clerk