May 7, 2008

The regular budget hearing, planning, action meeting of the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District was held on Wednesday, May 7, 2008, in the cafeteria of the Caroline G. Atkinson School. Ms. McQuillan, President of the Board of Education, called the meeting to order at 7:42 p.m. She then led in the pledge of allegiance.

Those present were: Ms. Debra McQuillan, President

Mr. Ronald Ellerbe, Vice President (arrived 9:50 pm)

Ms. Debra Mulé, Trustee

Mr. Michael Pomerico, Trustee

Absent were: Ms. Carmen J. Piñeyro, Trustee

Also present were: Dr. Eric L. Eversley, Superintendent of Schools

Mr. Kishore Kuncham, Deputy Superintendent of Schools

Dr. Mary Bediako, Assistant Superintendent for

Personnel & Clerk of the Board

Dr. Raymond Mc Cloat, Interim Assistant Superintendent for

Curriculum and Instruction,

Mr. Michael Singleton, Interim Executive Director of Operations

Also absent were: none

Guest: Mr. David Opatow, Director, Freeport Memorial Library

The number of people in the audience at the opening of the meeting was 16.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Eric L. Eversley, Superintendent of Schools, asked for a moment of silence for the loss of a member of the Freeport Family, Anita McMillan, Elementary Teacher.

Dr. Eversley introduced Dr. Raymond Mc Cloat, Interim Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction. Dr. McCloat presented a plan for an alternative school.

Dr. Eversley introduced Mr. Michael Singleton, Interim Executive Director of Operations. Mr. Singleton presented the Code of Conduct.

The Superintendent then introduced Mr. David Opatow, Director of Freeport Memorial Library. Mr. Opatow presented the proposed Library Budget for 2008-2009.

The public was then given the opportunity to address the Board of Education. Each speaker was allowed to address the Board regarding the Library Budget only. The Board and Mr. Opatow addressed the comments from the public.

The Superintendent introduced Mr. Kishore Kuncham, Deputy Superintendent of Schools. Mr. Kuncham gave an overview of the proposed 2008-2009 School Budget.

The public was then given the opportunity to address the Board of Education. Each speaker was allowed to address the Board regarding the School Budget. The Board and administration addressed the comments from the public.

Mr. Ellerbe arrived.

Questions from the Public

The public was then 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 the following resolution was approved:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education hereby accepts the minutes of the meetings of the committees on special education and preschool special education for the following dates:

February 1, 2008; February 6, 2008; March 4, 2008; March 5, 2008; March 6, 2008; March 10, 2008; March 11, 2008; March 13, 2008; March 14, 2008; March 17, 2008; March 18, 2008; March 19, 2008; March 25, 2008; March 27, 2008; April 1, 2008; April 3, 2008; April 4, 2008; April 8, 2008; April 9, 2008; April 10, 2008; April 11, 2008; April 16, 2008; April 17, 2008.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Ellerbe and passed unanimously. The vote was: Ellerbe, McQuillan, Mulé and Pomerico.

First Reading of the Code of Conduct

On a motion by Mr. Ellerbe the following resolution was approved:

BE IT RESOLVED by the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District that as a first reading, the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby acknowledges the receipt of and has had the opportunity to review the Code of Conduct

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Pomerico and passed unanimously. The vote was: Ellerbe, McQuillan, Mulé and Pomerico.

Executive Session

At 10:25 p.m. a motion to go into executive session to discuss two particular matters of personnel Mr. Ellerbe, seconded by Mr. Pomerico and unanimously passed. The vote was: Ellerbe, McQuillan, Mulé and Pomerico.

At 11:55 p.m. it was moved by Ms. Mulé to return to open session. The motion was seconded by Mr. Ellerbe and passed unanimously. The vote was: Ellerbe, McQuillan, Mulé and Pomerico.

The vote was: Ellerbe, McQuillan, Mulé and Pomerico.

Adjournment

At 11:55 p.m., with no other business, on a motion by Mr. Pomerico and seconded by Mr. Ellerbe, the Board adjourned the meeting. The vote was unanimous: The vote was: Ellerbe, McQuillan, Mulé and Pomerico.

Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be an action meeting on May 21, 2006 at Caroline G. Atkinson School.

Mary R. Bediako, Ed. D.
Clerk of the Board