

**Freeport Public Schools
Freeport, NY 11520-2135**

**Minutes of the Board of Education Meeting of
January 11, 2006**

The regular planning/action meeting of the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District was held on Wednesday, January 11, 2006, in the cafeteria of the Caroline G. Atkinson School. Ms. McQuillan, Vice President of the Board of Education, called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m. She then led in the pledge of allegiance.

Those present were: Mr. Michael Raab, President (arrived at 7:40 p.m.)
 Ms. Debra McQuillan, Vice President
 Ms. Sunday F. Coward, Trustee (arrived at 7:40 p.m.)
 Ms. Carmen J. Piñeyro, Trustee
 Mr. Ronald Ellerbe, Trustee (left at 9:52 p.m.)

Absent were: none

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
 Mr. Robert Harris, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum,
 School Improvement, Professional Development and
 Planning
 Mr. Michael Singleton, Interim Executive Director of Operations

Also absent were: none

The number of people in the audience at the opening of the meeting was 50.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Eric L. Eversley, Superintendent of Schools, recognized Ms. Joyce-Lorraine Lisi for her

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 six minutes on any topic. The Board and Administration addressed the comments from the public.

Items for Action

Approval of CSE and PSE Meetings

Ms. McQuillan made the following motion:

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: September 22, 2005; September 29, 2005; October 19, 2005; October 20, 2005; November 2, 2005; November 3, 2005; November 16, 2005; November 18, 2005; November 22, 2005; November 30, 2005; December 9, 2005; December 12, 2005.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Coward and unanimously carried: Ellerbe, Coward, McQuillan, Piñeyro and Raab.

Administrative Appointment

Ms. Coward made the following motion:

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District, upon the recommendation of the Superintendent, hereby appoints **Pamela Sharp-Taylor**, Assistant Director of Pupil Personnel Services (replacing Diane Ditchfield, resigned), a probationary appointment effective January 17, 2006. Compensation will be on step 1 of the FSAA Salary Schedule at \$87,750. Assignment: Administration. This individual possesses the appropriate certification allowing her to serve as an Administrator in the public schools of New York.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Piñeyro and unanimously carried: Ellerbe, Coward, McQuillan, Piñeyro and Raab.

First Reading of the 2006-2007 School Calendar

At 8:30 p.m., Mr. Ellerbe moved to adjourn the meeting to Executive Session to discuss specific matters of personnel. The motion was seconded by Ms. Coward and unanimously carried. The vote was: Ellerbe, Coward, McQuillan, Piñeyro and Raab.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Executive Session

At 11:30 p.m., on a motion by Ms. McQuillan and seconded by Ms. Coward, the Board returned to open session. The vote was unanimous: Coward, McQuillan, Piñeyro and Raab.

Other Action

Ms. Piñeyro made a motion to reconsider the decision of December 23, 2005, regarding a student with the I. D. number 131861. Ms. Coward seconded the motion and it was passed. The vote was:

Yeas: Raab, Coward and Piñeyro.

Nays: 0

Abstentions: McQuillan.

Ms. Piñeyro made a motion to reverse the Board's decision of December 23, 2005, and uphold/reinstate the original Superintendent's suspension decision regarding student I. D. number 131861. Ms. Coward seconded the motion and it was passed. The vote was:

Yeas: Raab, Coward and Piñeyro.

Nays: 0

Abstentions: McQuillan.

Adjournment

At 11:41 p.m., with no other business, on a motion by Ms. Coward and seconded by Ms. McQuillan, the Board adjourned the meeting. The vote was unanimous: Coward, McQuillan,