

September 10, 2013

The regular Planning/Action Meeting of the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District was held on Tuesday, September 10, 2013, in the cafeteria of the Caroline G. Atkinson Intermediate School. Debra Mulé, President of the Board of Education, called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. She then led the pledge of allegiance.

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

Absent were: Ms. Vilma Lancaster, Vice President

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. James Robinson, Executive Director 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 4.

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Kuncham welcomed everyone to the meeting. He informed the public that the opening of school went very well and has continued to go well. Transportation went well and the opening of the private and parochial schools went well with the transportation.

The Superintendent also made the following announcements:

- Archer Street School had the new playground ribbon cutting ceremony on September 3, 2013.
- Leo F. Giblyn School's playground is now complete a ribbon cutting ceremony will take place in the near future.
- Enrollment is up in Freeport and a new Kindergarten class was opened at Columbus Avenue School.

- J. P. Morgan Chase along with United Way donated 250 backpacks, filled with school supplies, to the Children of Atkinson School. The Board President, Mrs. Debra Mulé, and the Superintendent assisted in the presentation.
- Congratulations to Meredith Jones (Physical Ed Teacher, FHS), Sarah Molese (District Lead Nurse, FHS) and Lorie Regan (Nurse, FHS), who are selected to receive the American Heart Association's "Louis J. Acompora Heart Saver Award."
- Congratulations also to Dr. Alice Kane, Director of Pupil Personnel, she has been asked to join the Executive Board of LIASEA (Long Island Special Education Administrators) as the Board's Secretary.
- The Freeport High School Select Chorale will be at Citi Field to sing the National Anthem on September 17, 2013.

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 Mr. Pomerico and a seconded by Mr. Ellerbe the following item was approved:

CSE/CPSE Minutes

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby accepts the minutes of the meetings of the committees on special education and preschool special education for the following dates:

August 6, 7, 13, 15, 20, 21, 2013

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

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

Change of Status

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

Nicole Finch, Teaching Assistant, change of status from part-time to full-time (replacing D. Barry, resigned) effective September 1, 2013, anticipated tenure date is September 1, 2016, compensation will now be \$16,712.38, assignment: Giblyn.

Randy Meshnick, Teaching Assistant, change of status from part-time to full-time (replacing L. Randazzo, retired) effective September 1, 2013, anticipated tenure date is September 1, 2016, compensation will now be \$20,432.10, assignment: Giblyn. The vote was unanimous, Ellerbe, Miller, Mulé and Pomerico.

On a motion by Mr. Miller and a seconded by Mr. Pomerico the following item was approved:

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:

Karla Ramirez, full-time Teaching Assistant, effective August 21, 2013, to accept a position in another District.

Mary Casalone, full-time Teaching Assistant, effective August 20, 2013, for personal reasons.

Sherill Taylor-Morgan, part-time Teaching Assistant, effective August 19, 2013, for personal reasons.

Elizabeth Testa, full-time Teaching Assistant, effective August 26, 2013, to accept a position in another District.

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

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

Appointment of 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.

Megan Fritz, full-time Teaching Assistant, a probationary appointment effective September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2016, with an anticipated tenure date of September 1, 2016. Compensation will be according to the FTAA Schedule at \$19,226. Assignment: Archer.

Rachel Eilam, full-time Teaching Assistant, a probationary appointment effective September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2016, with an anticipated tenure date of September 1, 2016. Compensation will be according to the FTAA Schedule at \$19,226. Assignment: Atkinson.

Elaine Reichert, full-time Teaching Assistant, a probationary appointment effective September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2016, with an anticipated tenure date of September 1, 2016. Compensation will be according to the FTAA Schedule at \$19,226. Assignment: Atkinson.

Constance Budd, full-time Teaching Assistant, a probationary appointment effective September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2016, with an anticipated tenure date of September 1, 2016. Compensation will be according to the FTAA Schedule at \$19,226. Assignment: Bayview

Natasha Rhodes, full-time Teaching Assistant, a probationary appointment effective September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2016, with an anticipated tenure date of September 1, 2016. Compensation will be according to the FTAA Schedule at \$16,226. Assignment: Atkinson.

Mauricio Riveros-Villanueva, full-time Teaching Assistant, (Lab Facilitator) a probationary appointment effective September 1, 2013 through August 31, 2016, with an anticipated tenure date of September 1, 2016. Compensation will be according to the FTAA Schedule at \$23,597. Assignment: Atkinson.

Ilene Weinstein, full-time Teaching Assistant, a probationary appointment effective September 3, 2013 through September 2, 2016, with an anticipated tenure date of September 3, 2016. Compensation will be according to the FTAA Schedule at \$19,226. Assignment: Atkinson.

Rachel Kugelmass, full-time Teaching Assistant, a probationary appointment effective September 3, 2013 through September 2, 2016, with an anticipated tenure date of September 3, 2016. Compensation will be according to the FTAA Schedule at \$19,226. Assignment: New Visions.

Michele Velasquez, full-time Teaching Assistant, a probationary appointment effective September 3, 2013 through September 2, 2016, with an anticipated tenure date of September 3, 2016. Compensation will be according to the FTAA Schedule at \$19,226. Assignment: Giblyn.

Anabel Lopez, full-time Teaching Assistant, a probationary appointment effective September 9, 2013 through September 8, 2016, with an anticipated tenure date of September 9, 2016. Compensation will be according to the FTAA Schedule at \$19,226. Assignment: Giblyn.

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

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

Appointment of Instructional Staff - Temporary

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 following 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.

Lindsey McClain, Permanent Substitute, a temporary appointment effective September 1, 2013 through June 27, 2014. Compensation for this will be at the Substitute Pay Rate of \$125 per day. Assignment: Bayview.

Stefanie Adames, Permanent Substitute, a temporary appointment effective September 1, 2013 through June 27, 2014. Compensation for this will be at the Substitute Pay Rate of \$125 per day. Assignment: Giblyn.

Genevieve Florkowski, Permanent Substitute, a temporary appointment effective September 1, 2013 through June 27, 2014. Compensation for this will be at the Substitute Pay Rate of \$125 per day. Assignment: FHS.

Randolph Mills, Permanent Substitute, a temporary appointment effective September 1, 2013 through June 27, 2014. Compensation for this will be at the Substitute Pay Rate of \$125 per day. Assignment: FHS.

Nicholas Kenney, Permanent Substitute, a temporary appointment effective September 1, 2013 through June 27, 2014. Compensation for this will be at the Substitute Pay Rate of \$125 per day. Assignment: FHS.

Stephen Smar, Permanent Substitute, a temporary appointment effective September 1, 2013 through June 27, 2014. Compensation for this will be at the Substitute Pay Rate of \$125 per day. Assignment: FHS.

Anthony Wysocki, Permanent Substitute, a temporary appointment effective September 1, 2013 through June 27, 2014. Compensation for this will be at the Substitute Pay Rate of \$125 per day. Assignment: FHS.

Jose Martelo, Permanent Substitute, a temporary appointment effective September 1, 2013 through June 27, 2014. Compensation for this will be at the Substitute Pay Rate of \$125 per day. Assignment: FHS.

Jesse DiMartino, Permanent Substitute, a temporary appointment effective September 1, 2013 through June 27, 2014. Compensation for this will be at the Substitute Pay Rate of \$125 per day. Assignment: FHS.

Dolores Miller, Elementary Teacher, (Leave Replacement) Return from Preferred Eligibility List, a temporary appointment effective September 1, 2013 through January 31, 2014. Compensation will be \$78,567 pro rated. Assignment: Bayview.

Amy Mayo, Permanent Substitute, a temporary appointment effective September 3, 2013 through June 27, 2014. Compensation for this will be at the Substitute Pay Rate of \$125 per day. Assignment: Bayview.

Kevin Devivio, Permanent Substitute, a temporary appointment effective September 3, 2013 through June 27, 2014. Compensation for this will be at the Substitute Pay Rate of \$125 per day. Assignment: FHS.

Jill Pfeiffer, part-time Teaching Assistant, a temporary appointment effective September 3, 2013. Compensation for this position will be according to the FTAA Contract at \$12,272. Assignment: Archer.

Madeline Game, part-time Teaching Assistant, a temporary appointment effective September 3, 2013. Compensation for this position will be according to the FTAA Contract at \$12,272. Assignment: Bayview.

Niki-Lyn Anglim, Permanent Substitute, a temporary appointment effective September 9, 2013 through June 27, 2014. Compensation for this will be at the Substitute Pay Rate of \$125 per day. Assignment: FHS.

Magaly Rodriguez, Permanent Substitute, a temporary appointment effective September 9, 2013 through June 27, 2014. Compensation for this will be at the Substitute Pay Rate of \$125 per day. Assignment: Atkinson.

Nicole Revilli, Permanent Substitute, a temporary appointment effective September 1, 2013 through June 27, 2014. Compensation for this will be at the Substitute Pay Rate of \$125 per day. Assignment: Columbus.

On a motion by Mr. Miller and a seconded by Mr. Pomerico the following item was approved:

Extension of Probation

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby extends the probationary period ending date by one year to October 11, 2014, for the following individual, in accordance with the provisions of a letter dated August 26, 2013: Daniel Wittich, Elementary Teacher, probationary period extended to October 11, 2014.

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

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

Approval of an Agreement with BOCES for Xerox Equipment

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby approves a contract between Freeport Union School District and the Board of Cooperative Education Services (BOCES)/Xerox for Project 23-392557 AP to replace obsolete photocopy equipment with multifunction Xerox printers.

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

Executive Session

At 7:55 p.m. Mr. Pomerico moved to adjourn to executive session for one specific matter of negotiations.

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

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

At 8:49 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, Miller, Mulé and Pomerico.

Adjournment

At 8:50 p.m. with no other business on a motion by Mr. Ellerbe and seconded by Mr. Pomerico, the Board adjourned the meeting.

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

Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled Action meeting of the Board of Education will be on September 26, 2013, 7:30 p.m., at Caroline G. Atkinson Intermediate School.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary R. Bediako, Ed. D.
District Clerk