

**December 3, 2014**

The regular Planning/Action Meeting of the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District was held on Wednesday, December 3, 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 7:36 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  
                                      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 13.

**Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Kishore Kuncham, Superintendent of Schools welcomed everyone to the meeting. He stated that he and members of the Board had met with Senator Venditto and brought him up to date on educational issues regarding the increase in enrollment, the Tax Cap and the Gap Elimination Adjustment.

The Superintendent then introduced Mr. Gerard Poole, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction. He gave a power point presentation to inform everyone on programs, services and an update on regulations for Special Education. He was assisted by Dr. Alice Kane, Director of Pupil Personnel Services, Mr. Glenn Stewart, Assistant Director of Pupil Personnel Services, and several Special Education Teachers in the Power Point Presentation. (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:

#### **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:

October 16, 17, 20, 21, 27, 28, 2014

November 3, 6, 7, 10, 13, 17, 18, 2014

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:

#### **Appointment of the Library Board Trustee**

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District, upon the recommendation of the Board of Trustees of the Freeport Memorial Library, and Mr. Kenneth Bellafiore, Library Director, hereby reappoints **Mr. Russell Birdsall**, to the Library Board, for a five year term to begin November 25, 2014 through November 24, 2019.

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

#### **Executive Session**

At 9:29 p.m. Mr. Ellerbe moved to adjourn to executive session for one matter of negotiations and one matter of personnel.

The motion was seconded by Ms. Mulé and passed unanimously.

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

At 11:10 p.m., on a motion by Mr. Ellerbe and a second by Ms. Mulé the Board returned to open session. The motion carried unanimously.

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

#### **Adjournment**

At 11:11 p.m. with no other business on a motion by Mr. Miller 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 December 17, 2014, 7:30 p.m., at Bayview Avenue School.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary R. Bediako, Ed. D.  
District Clerk