

## January 9, 2008

The regular planning/action meeting of the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District was held on Wednesday, January 9, 2008, in the cafeteria of the Caroline G. Atkinson School. Ms. Debra 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  
Ms. Debra Mulé, Trustee  
Ms. Carmen J. Piñeyro, Trustee  
Mr. Michael Pomerico, Trustee

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  
Dr. Raymond McCloat, Interim Assistant Superintendent for  
Curriculum and Instruction

Also absent were: Mr. Michael Singleton, Interim Executive Director of Operations

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

### Superintendent's Report

Dr. Eric L. Eversley, Superintendent of Schools, introduced Dr. Mary Bediako, Assistant Superintendent for Personnel & Clerk of the Board. Dr. Bediako discussed the proposed 2008-2009 School Calendar.

Dr. Raymond McCloat, Interim Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction presented the results for the ELA and Math Assessment results for grades 3 through 8.

Dr. Eversley informed the Board that the Freeport High School Select Chorale sang at the inauguration of the 2008 Nassau County Legislature.

Mr. Kishore Kuncham, Deputy Superintendent of Schools informed the Board that the Comptroller's Audit Report had been received and Freeport Public Schools were found to be managing efficiently and effectively.

### Board Discussion

The Board discussed the need for a dedicated full-time District Clerk and asked that the position be posted. The Board also discussed revising the time limit for the Questions from the Public. The Board decided to limit the time to four minutes. Ms. Piñeyro offered the motion to limit the question and comment time to four minutes, and Ms. Mulé seconded the motion. The motion passes unanimously. The vote was: Ellerbe, McQuillan, Mulé, Piñeyro and Pomerico.

## **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**

### **CSE/CPSE Minutes**

On a motion by Ms. Piñeyro and a second by Ms. Mulé the following item was approved unanimously.

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 24, 2007; November 28, 2007; December 12, 2007; December 13, 2007.

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

### **EXCEL Bond Resolution Authorizing Serial Bonds**

On a motion by Ms. Mulé and a second by Mr. Ellerbe the following item was approved unanimously.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby adopts the resolution authorizing the issuance of Serial Bonds as per the attached.

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

### **First Reading of the 2008-2009 School Calendar**

On a motion by Mr. Ellerbe and a second by Mr. Pomerico the following item was approved unanimously.

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 2008-2009 School Calendar.

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

### **Executive Session**

At 9:10 p.m. Mr. Ellerbe moved to adjourn the meeting to Executive Session for four particular matters of personnel and one matter of collective negotiations. The motion was seconded by Ms. Mulé and unanimously carried: Ellerbe, McQuillan, Mulé, Piñeyro and Pomerico.

At 9:45 p.m., on a motion by Ms. Mulé and seconded by Mr. Ellerbe, the Board returned to open session. The motion carried unanimously. The vote was: Ellerbe, McQuillan, Mulé Piñeyro and Pomerico.

On a motion by Ms. Mulé and a second by Mr. Ellerbe the following item was approved unanimously.

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby upholds the decision of the Superintendent on the matter of an FTA Grievance at FHS, 06-02, A & B.

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

At 9:46 p.m. Mr. Ellerbe moved to return the meeting to Executive Session for three particular matters of personnel and one matter of collective negotiations. The motion was seconded by Ms. Mulé and unanimously carried: Ellerbe, McQuillan, Mulé, Piñeyro and Pomerico.

At 11:45 p.m., on a motion by Mr. Ellerbe and seconded by Ms. Mulé, the Board returned to open session. The motion carried unanimously. The vote was: Ellerbe, McQuillan, Mulé Piñeyro and Pomerico.

### **Adjournment**

At 11:46 p.m., with no other business, on a motion by Mr. Ellerbe and seconded by Ms. Mulé the Board adjourned the meeting. The vote was unanimous: Ellerbe, McQuillan, Mulé, Piñeyro and Pomerico.

### **Next Meeting**

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be an action meeting on January 23, 2008 at Columbus Avenue School.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary R. Bediako  
Clerk of the Board