

August 24 2005

The regular action meeting of the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District was held on Wednesday, August 24, 2005, in the Cafeteria of the Caroline G. Atkinson School. Mr. Michael Raab, President of the Board, called the meeting to order at 7:38 p.m. Mr. Raab led in the pledge of allegiance.

Those present were: Mr. Michael Raab, President  
Mr. Ronald Ellerbe, Trustee  
Ms. Carmen J. Piñeyro, Trustee

Absent were: Ms. Debra McQuillan, Vice President  
Ms. Sunday F. Coward, 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

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 12.

### **Superintendent's Report**

Dr. Eric Eversley, Superintendent of Schools discussed the Professional Development Plan, the celebration of "First Day" and the opening of school with the Board.

### **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. The Board and administration addressed the comments from the public.

## **Items for Action**

### **Approval of Items on the Consent Agenda**

1. On a motion by Ms. Piñeyro and a second by Mr. Ellerbe the following items, on a consent agenda, were approved unanimously. The vote was: Ellerbe, Piñeyro and Raab.

### **Acceptance of the Minutes**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby accepts the minutes of the following meetings as written:

June 14, 2005; June 15, 2005; June 22, 2005; June 29, 2005; July 7, 2005; July 13, 2005; July 16, 2005; July 18, 2005

### **Leave of Absence**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby grants a request for leave for the following staff members as listed:

**Rochelle Mevorah**, Senior Stenographer, effective July 20, 2005 through August 22, 2005, for health reasons.

### **Retirement of Staff**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby accepts the letter(s) of resignation for the purpose of retirement from the following staff member as listed:

**Gaetana Tartamella**, Senior Typist Clerk, effective October 21, 2005 after serving the children of Freeport for more than 10 years.

### **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 members as listed in the following Change of Status Report - Resignation.

**Phyllis Foodim**, full-time Teaching Assistant, effective July 29, 2005.

**Orazio Taddeo**, Science Teacher, effective August 5, 2005.

**Gideon Huggins**, full-time Teaching Assistant, effective August 4, 2005.

**Alexis Romanelli**, full-time Teaching Assistant, effective August 9, 2005.

**Naura Groarke**, Elementary Teacher (LOA replacement), effective August 11, 2005.

**Maribel Maia**, full-time Teaching Assistant, effective June 30, 2005.

**Barbara Durr**, Food Service Worker, effective August 8, 2005.  
**Susan Cunnane**, Elementary Teacher, effective August 30, 2005.  
**Jonathan Geller**, 3/5 Mathematics Teacher, effective August 9, 2005.  
**Lori Reich**, full-time Teaching Assistant, effective August 18, 2005.  
**Raquel Gonzalez**, Special Education Teacher, effective August 12, 2005

### **Termination of Staff**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby terminates the service of the following employee:

**Sara Jinks**, Account Clerk, effective July 20, 2005, due to abandonment of position.

### **Appointment of Staff Report**

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 Appointment of Staff Report - Probationary, 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.

### **Instructional Appointments**

**Susan Cunnane**, ESL Teacher, (replacing C. Velez, resigned) a probationary appointment effective September 1, 2005 through August 31, 2007. Compensation shall be on step 7-2B of the T7D Schedule at \$70,129. Assignment: Atkinson.

**Naura Groarke**, Elementary Teacher, (replacing S. Cunnane, resigned) a probationary appointment effective September 1, 2005 through August 31, 2008. Compensation shall be on step 1-1C of the U7C Schedule at \$50,815. Assignment: Atkinson.

**Troy Penna**, Science Teacher, (replacing S. Goldhirsch, resigned) a probationary appointment effective September 1, 2005 through August 31, 2008. Compensation shall be on step 3-2E of the U7D Schedule at \$64,337. Assignment: FHS.

### **Temporary Administrative Appointments**

**Wendy Haise**, Director of Community Evening High School, an annual appointment effective September 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006. Compensation for this position shall be at \$24,834. Assignment: FHS.

### **Temporary Instructional Appointments**

**Michael Whalen**, Permanent Substitute, (replacing himself, annual appointment) effective September 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006. Compensation shall be at the Substitute Pay Rate of \$125 per day. Assignment: Atkinson.

**Maribel Maia**, Permanent Substitute, (replacing C. Tarentino, reassigned) effective September 1, 2005 through June 30, 2006. Compensation shall be at the Substitute Pay Rate of \$125 per day. Assignment: New Visions.

#### Civil Service Category Appointments

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby appoints the individuals as listed in the attached Appointment of Staff Report - Civil Service, in accordance with Civil Service Rules and Regulation.

**Carolyn DelVecchio**, Registered Nurse, (new) a probationary appointment effective September 1, 2005 for a period of 26 weeks upon Civil Service approval. Compensation shall be according to the RN Schedule on step 3 at \$39,184. Assignment: Districtwide

#### 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:

April 14, 2005; April 15, 2005; April 18, 2005; April 20, 2005; May 12, 2005; May 16, 2005; May 20, 2005; May 25, 2005; May 31, 2005; June 9, 2005; June 20, 2005; June 21, 2005;

#### Adoption of the Professional Development Plan

Mr. Ellerbe proposed the following resolution for adoption

BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Education of the Freeport Union Free School District hereby adopts the new Professional Development Plan for the 2005-2006 School Year.

Ms. Piñeyro seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The vote was: Ellerbe, Piñeyro and Raab.

#### Adjournment

At 8:35 p.m., with no other business, on a motion by Mr. Ellerbe and a second by Ms. Piñeyro, the Board adjourned the meeting. The vote was unanimous: Ellerbe, Piñeyro and Raab.

Respectfully submitted,

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Mary R. Bediako  
Clerk of the Board