

AMITY REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 5 BOARD OF EDUCATION  
MAY 13, 2019 REGULAR MEETING MINUTES  
6:30 P.M., 25 NEWTON ROAD, WOODBRIDGE, CT

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Chairperson Christopher Browe, John Belfonti, Robyn Berke, Patricia Cardozo, Paula Cofrancesco, Carla Eichler (absent 7:27 p.m. – 7:52 p.m.), Amy Esposito, George Howard, Sheila McCreven, Dr. Jennifer Turner, Diane Urbano

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT**

Shannan Carlson, Steven DeMaio

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**

Dr. Jennifer Byars, Theresa Lumas, Kathleen Kovalik, Kathy Burke, Dr. Richard Dellinger, Shaun DeRosa, Peter Downhour, Ernest Goodwin, Anna Mahon, Dr. Marie McPadden, Mary Raiola, James Saisa, Matthew Stanley

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Browe called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Recited by those present

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**a. Regular Board of Education Meeting – April 8, 2019**

*MOTION by Sheila McCreven, Second by Paula Cofrancesco, to approve as submitted  
VOTES IN FAVOR, 9 (Cofrancesco, Howard, McCreven, Turner, Eichler, Cardozo, Esposito, Urbano,  
Berke)*

*ABSTAINED, 1 (Belfonti)*

*MOTION CARRIED*

**b. Special Board of Education Meeting – April 29, 2019**

*MOTION by Sheila McCreven, Second by Robyn Berke, to approve as submitted  
VOTES IN FAVOR, 9 (Belfonti, Howard, McCreven, Turner, Eichler, Cardozo, Esposito, Urbano, Berke)  
ABSTAINED, 1 (Cofrancesco)*

*MOTION CARRIED*

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**c. Annual Meeting on the Budget – May 7, 2019**

*MOTION by Amy Esposito, Second by George Howard, to approve as submitted*

*VOTES IN FAVOR, 9 (Cofrancesco, Howard, McCreven, Turner, Eichler, Cardozo, Esposito, Urbano, Berke)*

*ABSTAINED, 1 (Belfonti)*

*MOTION CARRIED*

**4. STUDENT REPORT – Olivia Gross and Ella Marin**

**5. RECOGNITION OF STUDENTS**

a. CABE Student Leadership Awards 2019

Awards presented by Dr. Byars, Anna Mahon, Dr. Dellinger, and Kathy Burke

b. SCASA Student Awards 2019

Award winners introduced by Dr. Byars, Anna Mahon, Dr. Dellinger, and Kathy Burke

c. Student Presentation on Cooperative Amity Regional High School/District Projects

Introduction by Carl Teravainen, Edward Rostkowsky, and Kevin Capcelatro and presentation by students

Chairperson called a recess at 7:15 p.m.

Meeting resumed at 7:20 p.m.

**6. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Parent requested Best Buddy Program at Amity.

Parent requested Amity fund more than minimum required by State for ECA partnership.

**7. CORRESPONDENCE**

None

## 8. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

### a. Personnel Report

1. Executive Session – Discussion and Possible Action on Appointment of Director of Pupil Personnel Services

*MOTION by Patricia Cardozo, Second by Paula Cofrancesco, enter Executive Session and invite Dr. Byars and the candidate for Director of Pupil Personnel Services*

*VOTES IN FAVOR, 10 (unanimous)*

*MOTION CARRIED*

Entered Executive Session at 7:27 p.m.

Exited Executive Session at 7:45 p.m.

*MOTION by Diane Urbano, Second by John Belfonti, to appoint Tom Brant as Director of Pupil Personnel Services*

*VOTES IN FAVOR, 9 (unanimous)*

*MOTION CARRIED*

### b. Superintendent Report

## 9. NEXT GENERATION ACCOUNTABILITY AMITY 2017-18

Presented by Dr. McPadden

## 10. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

### a. Committee Reports

1. ACES
2. Ad Hoc School Safety
3. Ad Hoc Shared Services
4. CABE
5. Curriculum

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6. District Health and Safety

7. District Technology

8. Facilities

a. April 2019 Facilities Report

9. Finance

a. First Quarter 2019 Executive Summary Review of Amity Pension Fund, Sick and Severance Account, and OPEB Trust

b. Discussion and Possible Action on the Tuition Rate for 2019-2020

*MOTION by Paula Cofrancesco, Second by Carla Eichler, to approve the non-resident tuition rate for 2019-2020 school year at \$18,525.00*

*VOTES IN FAVOR, 10 (unanimous)*

*MOTION CARRIED*

c. Discussion and Possible Action on Contracts of \$35,000 or More

1. Security Vestibules

*MOTION by Patricia Cardozo, Second by John Belfonti, to award the construction and modifications to each of the three school entrances to create security vestibules to John L. Simpson Company of Bridgeport, CT at a total bid price of \$259,113.09.*

*VOTES IN FAVOR, 9 (unanimous)*

*OPPOSED, 1 (Esposito)*

*MOTION CARRIED*

2. Snow Removal, Ice Control & Sanding Services

3. District Chiller Maintenance Contract

4. Siemens Building Controls

5. Trash and Recycling Removal Services

6. Glycol Loop

7. Site-Based Grounds Maintenance Program

8. Athletic Trainer Services

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*MOTION by Paula Cofrancesco, Second by Diane Urbano, to review and vote on all the remaining contracts together as listed in agenda items 9c2 Snow Removal, Ice Control & Sanding Services, 9c3 District Chiller Maintenance Contract, 9c4 Siemens Building Controls, 9c5 Trash and Recycling Removal Services, 9c6 Glycol Loop, 9c7 Site-Based Grounds Maintenance Program, and 9c8 Athletic Trainer Services*

*VOTES IN FAVOR, 10 (unanimous)*

*MOTION CARRIED*

*MOTION by Paula Cofrancesco, Diane Urbano, to approve all motions as listed on pages 188-189 of Board of Education May 13, 2019 Regular Meeting packet for agenda items 9c2 Snow Removal, Ice Control & Sanding Services, 9c3 District Chiller Maintenance Contract, 9c4 Siemens Building Controls, 9c5 Trash and Recycling Removal Services, 9c6 Glycol Loop, 9c7 Site-Based Grounds Maintenance Program, and 9c8 Athletic Trainer Services*

*VOTES IN FAVOR, 10 (unanimous)*

*MOTION CARRIED*

- d. Discussion of Monthly Financial Statements
- e. Director of Finance and Administration Approved Transfers Under \$3,000
- f. Discussion and Possible Action on Budget Transfers of \$3,000 or More

*MOTION by Sheila McCreven, Second by Paula Cofrancesco, to approve all motions as listed on pages 188-189 of Board of Education May 13, 2019 Regular Meeting packet for agenda 10a9F Glycol Loop Maintenance, Security Vestibules, and Special Education*

*VOTES IN FAVOR, 10 (unanimous)*

*MOTION CARRIED*

- g. Other
  - 1. Update on Results from Budget Referendum of May 8, 2019

10. Policy

- a. Second Read
  - 1. Policy 2130
  - 2. Policy 3450
  - 3. Policy 3451

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4. Policy 3453.1
5. Policy 5126
6. Policy 6146

*MOTION by Sheila McCreven, Second by Diane Urbano, to approve all policies in agenda items 10a1 Policy 2130, 10a2 Policy 3450, 10a3 Policy 3451, 10a4 Policy 3453.1, 10a5 Policy 5126, 10a6 Policy 6146*

*VOTES IN FAVOR, 10 (unanimous)*

*MOTION CARRIED*

*MOTION by Sheila McCreven, Second by John Belfonti, to amend motion to remove Policy 5126 from consideration and only vote on the remaining policies in agenda items 10a1 Policy 2130, 10a2 Policy 3450, 10a3 Policy 3451, 10a4 Policy 3453.1, 10a6 Policy 6146*

*VOTES IN FAVOR, 6 (Howard, McCreven, Belfonti, Esposito, Berke, Browe)*

*OPPOSED, 5 (Cofrancesco, Turner, Eichler, Cardozo, Urbano)*

*MOTION CARRIED*

*MOTION by Amy Esposito, Second by Robyn Berke, to postpone consideration of agenda item 10a5 Policy 5126 until the June 2019 Board of Education Regular Meeting*

*VOTES IN FAVOR, 6 (Howard, McCreven, Belfonti, Esposito, Berke, Browe)*

*OPPOSED, 4 (Cofrancesco, Eichler, Cardozo, Urbano)*

*ABSTAINED, 1 (Turner)*

*MOTION CARRIED*

11. Personnel

**11. NEW BUSINESS**

None

**12. ITEMS FOR THE NEXT AGENDA**

None

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**13. ADJOURNMENT**

*MOTION by Patricia Cardozo, Second by Robyn Berke, to adjourn the meeting*  
*VOTES IN FAVOR, 11 (unanimous)*  
*MOTION CARRIED*

Meeting adjourned at 9:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

*Pamela Pero*

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Recording Secretary