

# JERICO UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
7:30 P.M.\***

**MIDDLE SCHOOL LIBRARY  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16, 2003**

\*NOTE: The Board went into Executive Session between 6:00 and 7:30 p.m.  
The open meeting resumed at 7:30 p.m.

**Present:**

**Hilari Cohen  
Toni Meliambro  
Saundra Gumerove-Bernstein  
Barbara Krieger  
Ira Checkla**

**Also Present:**

**Henry L. Grishman, Superintendent  
Joan L. Colvin  
Anna Hunderfund**

**Visitors:**

**List Attached**

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

**II. BOARD ACTIONS**

**Approval of Minutes**

- Barbara Krieger made the motion seconded by Saundra Gumerove-Bernstein "That the Board of Education approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting dated September 25, 2003".

Motion carried, 5-0

**Recognition of Board Members**

Recognition of the members of the Jericho Board of Education by the Jericho Administrator's Association, the Jericho Curriculum Associates, the Jericho Teachers Association, and the CSEA Association in recognition of each board member's dedication and devotion to the educational program of our school district. Shawn Gladstone, representing the Jericho PTA's, also recognized the efforts of the board members and thanked each of them for their service to the community. Plants and gifts were provided to each board member. President Hilari Cohen thanked the members of the associations and the members of the community for their gifts and their support.

**Acceptance of Gift from Jericho Athletic Association**

- Toni Meliambro made the motion seconded by Barbara Krieger "That the Board of Education accept a gift of \$8,000 for scoreboards and \$5,000 for wings on the baseball fields from the Jericho Athletic Association".

NOTE: See Letter attached

Motion carried, 5-0

Members of the Board of Education thanked the Jericho Athletic Association for their generosity

**III. REPORT/DISCUSSIONS**

### **Enrollment**

Mr. Grishman reported the current enrollment of 3199 students.

### **Report - Middle School Student Council**

William Holtz and Jeff Zichlin, 8<sup>th</sup> Graders, reported on activities in the Middle School.

### **Report – High School Student Council**

Alex Belser, President of the Student Council, reported on activities in the High School.

### **Report - PTA Council**

Shawn Gladstone, PTA Council Vice President, once again complimented the board members for their dedication.

### **Jericho Middle School Joins NYS Network of Middle Level Education Support System**

Cecile Wren and members of the middle school staff presented to the Board of Education the application process for their Award of Excellence as High Achieving Middle School Educators. In recognition of their exemplary practice they will serve as a model school for middle school educators across the State of New York. The following middle school staff members assisted in the presentation:

Melissa Bocklet	Kim Greenwald
Casey Malone	Maureen Planz
Kathy Rittel	Martha Samartano
Ron Verderber	Joanne Verdino

Dr. Jeanette Stern – President of the New York State Middle School Association commended the Jericho Middle School for its high achievement and for providing the appropriate social and emotional support to the middle school students.

**Music Department Facilities Review**—Postponed until November.

### **Presentation - Curriculum Associate for Music**

Mr. Kenneth Pollitt presented the curriculum and offerings of the Jericho Music Department. His program reviewed what is taught, how it is taught, who delivers the program, and the program's impact on our students. A copy of the Power Point presentation is attached.

**Differentiated Supervision**—Postponed until November.

### **Special Education Facilitator**

- Barbara Krieger made the motion seconded by Ira Checkla “That the Board of Education approves the change of title from consultant teacher to special education facilitator.”

Motion carried, 5-0

**III. REPORT/DISCUSSIONS (continued)**

**Status of Nike Site (Sale)**

Mr. Grishman reported that property surrounding the Nike Site may be for sale in the near future and he recommended that the district should list the property with the same realtor.

**Report on Executive Session**

Personnel and legal matters were discussed in Executive Session.

**IV. MISCELLANEOUS**

Mr. Grishman reported that there is a consortium of school districts on Long Island that are preparing a regional physics exam and more information will be provided in the future.

Mr. Grishman reported that school tax bills have been distributed and he reminded members of the community that the school tax levy increase approved by the voters was 7.3%. Any other increases in the individual tax bills are a result of actions by the county with regard to reassessment and adjusted base proportions.

Mrs. Sandra Gumerove-Bernstein requested that the board of education have a list of those student assessments that are required by New York State Board of Regents.

**V. OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC TO BE HEARD**

Please Note: If you would like to make a comment or ask a question, please tell us your name and affiliation, if you are representing a specific group. If you would like your statement to be included in our Board minutes, you must hand in a written copy of your remarks to our District Clerk, Joan Colvin, immediately before speaking.

As always, public discussion on matters relating to staff and students, at which their reputation, privacy or rights to due process, or those of others could in some way be violated, is prohibited.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

**Approval of School Calendar for 2004-2005 School Year**

- Toni Meliambro made the motion seconded by Hilari Cohen "That the Board of Education approve the calendar for the 2004-2005 school year as shown in Enclosure #14."

Discussion ensued about the difficulty of scheduling vacations around the religious holidays and the impact of opening school prior to Labor Day. No one suggested any acceptable alternatives. See Enclosure # 14

Motion carried, 5-0

**VI. NEW BUSINESS (continued)**

**Acceptance of Gift**

- Sandra Gumerove-Bernstein made the motion seconded by Barbara Krieger “That the Board of Education accept the gift of 25 compound microscopes for use in the Jericho High School, said gift being donated by C.W. Post.”

Motion carried, 5-0

**VII. PREVIEW FOR FUTURE ACTION**

The Board of Education noted dates listed by administration.

**VIII. RECOMMENDED ACTIONS**

**Approval of Schedules**

- Barbara Krieger made the motion seconded by Sandra Gumerove-Bernstein “That the Board of Education remove schedule GG 881 from the following motion”.

Motion Carried, 3-1-1 Hilari Cohen against, Ira Checkla, abstain

- Sandra Gumerove-Bernstein made the motion seconded by Hilari Cohen “That the Board of Education approve the following schedules for appropriate action”.

A-475	Treasurer's Report
B-GF-442	General Fund
B-FF-409	Federal Fund
B-CAF-439	Cafeteria Fund
D-GF-08	General Fund
D-GF-09	General Fund
D-GF-10	General Fund
D-GF-11	General Fund
D-FF-06	Federal Fund
D-FF-07	Federal Fund
D-CF-05	Cafeteria Fund
D-CF-06	Cafeteria Fund
D-SA-06	Trust and Agency Fund
D-SA-07	Trust and Agency Fund
D-SA-08	Trust and Agency Fund
D-GF-09	Conference Expense
D-GF-10	Conference Expense
E-1288	Award of Transportation Contract - Out of District & Special Transportation
E-1289	Award of Transportation Contract - Out of District & Special Transportation
E-1290	Award of Bid - Automobile
G-2333 (rev)	Appointments, Instructional, Part Time
G-2334 (rev)	Appointments, Instructional, Intramural Activities
G-2335 (rev)	Appointments, Extracurricular Coaches
G-2336 (rev)	Appointments, Extracurricular Coaches
G-2341 (rev)	Appointments, Instructional, Tutorial Services, Secondary
G-2352 (rev)	Appointments, Instructional, Part Time

VIII. RECOMMENDED ACTIONS (continued)

Approval of Schedules (continued)

G-2356 (rev)	Appointment, Instructional, Cultural Arts Program
G-2357	Appointment, Impartial Hearing Officer
G-2358	Appointments, Instructional, Substitute Teachers, Elementary
G-2359	Appointments, Instructional, Substitute Teachers, Secondary
G-2360	Appointments, Instructional, Part Time
G-2361	Probationary Appointments Instructional
G-2362	Appointments, Co-curricular Activities, Elementary
GG-830 (rev)	Appointments, Non-instructional
GG-878 (rev)	Appointments, Non-instructional Swim Program
GG-880	Appointments, Non-instructional, Substitute
GG-882	Appointments, Non-instructional, Cultural Arts Program
H-604	Resignations and Terminations of Employment
HH-542	Resignations and Terminations of Employment of Non-instructional Employees
I-440	Salary Adjustments Directors
K-296	Leaves of Absence Instructional
KK-54	Leave of Absence Non-instructional
L-394	Use of School Facilities
N -265	Health Services
O-496	Tuition/Consultant Services
O-497	Tuition/Consultant Services
O-498	Services/Consultant - Doctors
S-526 (rev)	Educational Programs and Projects
S-531	Services/Consultants
S-532	Services/Consultants
S-533	Services/Consultants
S-534	Services/Consultants

Motion carried, 5-0

- Hilari Cohen made the motion “That the Board of Education approve schedule GG 881 for appropriate action”. The motion failed to get a second.

Motion Failed

- Barbara Krieger made the motion seconded by Sandra Gumerove-Bernstein “That the Board of Education return to executive session for the discussion of a personnel matter”.

Motion carried, 5-0

Board of Education went into executive Session at 9:18 and return to open session at 9:29

- Barbara Krieger made the motion seconded by Sandra Gumerove-Bernstein “That the Board of Education return to open session”.

Motion carried, 5-0

**VIII. RECOMMENDED ACTIONS (continued)**

- Sandra Gumerove-Bernstein made the motion seconded by Ira Checkla "That the Board of Education approve schedule GG 881A for appropriate action".

Motion carried, 5-0

- Hilari Cohen made the motion seconded by Ira Checkla "That the Board of Education approve schedule GG 881B for appropriate action".

Motion Carried, 3-0-2 Barbara Krieger and Sandra Gumerove-Bernstein abstaining

**IX. ADJOURN**

The meeting adjourned at 9:33.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan L. Colvin, Ed.D.  
District Clerk