

JERICHO UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR MEETING
6:00 P.M.

CANTIAGUE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
THURSDAY, March 15, 2007

Present:

Barbara Krieger, President
Joseph H. Lorintz, Vice President
Mark R. Basile
Shawn Gladstone

Also Present:

Henry L. Grishman, Superintendent
Ben Ciuffo
Joan L. Colvin
Anna Hunderfund

Absent:

Claire Hochheiser

I. CALL TO ORDER

Barbara Krieger called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

- Mark Basile made the motion seconded by Joe Lorintz "That the Board of Education move to Executive Session."

Motion carried: 4, 0

Board moved out of executive session at 7:15 PM.

Cantiague Curriculum Fair

Barbara Bauer, Cantiague Principal, spoke about the Curriculum Fair taking place in her building. The fair was centered on social studies concepts that are studied at each grade level. This evening the following grades were featured and their topics were as follows:

- Kindergarten: The children continued their exploration of Community Helpers by writing riddle books. Each child created riddles explaining the roles of community helpers and then created a puppet
- First Grade: Students explored the cultures of different communities and recorded their visits on "passports." Center activities included map skills work in which the children had to locate the continent of each country, identify the capital, etc. They also recreated the flags of various countries and learned some words in the language spoken. Each child will left a souvenir of their "trip."
- Second Grade: Urban, suburban, and rural communities were set up in the gym. Parents took money out of class banks, and had the opportunity to spend their savings at the Avenue C extravaganza, have their pets cared for at the rural veterinary, and purchase some goodies at the suburban bakery.

II. BOARD ACTIONS

Approval of Minutes

- Mark Basile made the motion seconded by Joe Lorintz "That the Board of Education make any necessary corrections and move approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting dated February 15, 2007."

Motion carried: 4, 0

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III. PRESENTATIONS

Cantiague Student Council

Jordan Rosenfeld – Vice President, Sasha Levin – Treasurer and Zachary Blitz – Secretary reported on activities in the Cantiague Elementary School.

Middle School Student Council

Laura Censi and Tyler Warman, 8th Graders reported on activities in the Middle School.

High School Student Council

Melanie Motschwiller – Student Council President and Jared Solomon, Student Council Vice President reported on activities in the High School.

PTA Council

Michelle Gruszecki reported on PTA activities and congratulated the students to be recognized. Ms. Gruszecki also congratulated Benny D'Aquila, appointed as Principal of the Jackson Elementary school and Adam Winnick appointed as Principal of the Seaman Elementary school.

IV. RECOGNITIONS

Recognition of Long Island President's Council Essay Contest Winners/Runners Up

Maryann Risi recognized the following students for their distinction in the Long Island President's Council Essay Contest: Jessica Chamish and Sharon Song - District and Long Island President Council Finalists
Pooja Buttan and Alanna Herling - District Runners-Up

Recognition of NOSB Scallop Bowl Participants

Frank DiMartino – Curriculum Associate
Christopher Hoppner – Teacher/Advisor

The following students were recognized for their participation in the NOSB Scallop Bowl:
Harris Moore, Qi Yu, Samantha Bloomfield, Alexandra Hay and Richard Zhang

Recognition of Participants in Junior Science and Humanities Symposium

Frank DiMartino – Curriculum Associate
Christopher Hoppner – Teacher/Advisor introduced the following students and noted their areas of research:

Samantha Ellner - Using Machine Learning for the Prediction of Cognitive State: How Virtual Navigation Illustrates Fundamental Cellular Mechanisms

Vikas Anand and Esther Kwak - A Novel Technique for the Fabrication of Alginate Microspheres for the Sustained Release of Lidocaine

IV. **RECOGNITIONS (continued)****Recognition of Participants at National History Day Competition**

Eric Sundberg – Curriculum Associate

Anthony Scarnati – Teacher/Advisor introduced the following students and noted the subject content submitted for National History Day Competition and indicated that the district placed second:

Danielle Algaze	Grant Geisler	Samantha Perlstein
Amy Arnow	Harrison Goodman	Evan Rich
Dara Fedrow	Haley Greenfield	Jacob Roberts
Derek Ash	Alyssa Greenstein	Shelby Rudolph
Ryan Baltimore	Jaycee Gruszecki	Stefanie Seigerman
Zach Barletta	Scott Halperin	Pamela Seltzer
Jason Blumberg	Oliver Horowitz	Joan Shim
Trevor Cookler	Nicole Kapner	Stacey Stern
Dara Fedrow	Lauren Klein	Jordan Zwerling
Reisa Feigenbaum	Scott Mishan	
Sheri Feigenbaum	Justin Neuwirt	

See Attached

Recognition of Intel Social Science Award Winner

Anthony Scarnati, teacher, introduced Betty Jiang for her distinction as an Intel Social Science Semi-Finalist. Betty was one of thirty (30) semi-finalists in Social Sciences nationwide, her project compared life satisfaction among high school students in Jericho and Shjang Hai, China.

Recognition of News 12 Scholar Athlete

Henry Grishman introduced Brian Kahn as the News 12 Scholar Athlete.

- Barbara Krieger made the motion seconded by Joe Lorintz “That the Board of Education recognize and congratulate all of the students listed above for their accomplishments.”

Motion carried: 4, 0.

Recognition of Teacher – Certification from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards

Ron Verderber was recognized for his certification from the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards.

Jericho Educational Foundation - presented to the Board of Education the design and plan for the improvement of the Little Theatre that will begin during Spring break.

- Joe Lorintz made the motion seconded by Mark Basile “That the Board of Education accept the Jericho Educational Foundation gift of renovation to the Little Theatre”.

Motion carried: 4,0

V. REPORTS/DISCUSSIONS (continued)

Enrollment Report

Mr. Grishman reported that the enrollment as of March 9, 2007 is 3267. (See Enclosure)

Director of Educational Technology

Mark Steinberger, Director of Educational Technology, provided a presentation of the services and programs offered in the Jericho Public Schools

See Attached

Curriculum Associate K-12 World Languages

Elaine Margarita, K-12 World Languages Curriculum Associate provided a presentation of the K-12 World Language Program.

See Attached

Savings from Contract with Assistant Superintendent

Mr. Grishman announced the appointment of Dr. Joan L. Colvin after her retirement from the district in June 2007.

Approval of Contract – Assistant Superintendent

- Joe Lorintz made the motion seconded by Mark Basile “That the Board of Education approve the contract as shown in Enclosure #15 by and between the Jericho Union Free School District and Joan Colvin, Ed. D., and hereby authorize the Board President to execute same.”

NOTE: See Enclosure #15

Motion carried: 4, 0.

(Mr. Grishman noted that he met with Claire Hochheiser, board member absent this evening, during the day and she indicated that she approved of this resolution.)

Best 100 Communities for Music Education

Ken Pollitt announced that the Jericho School District is one of the Best 100 Communities for Music Education.

- Barbara Krieger made the motion seconded by Mark Basile “That the Board of Education recognize and congratulate all of the above faculty, students and programs for their accomplishments.”

Motion carried 4, 0.

Report on Executive Session

The Board discussed personnel and legal matters at our last Executive Session.

V. REPORTS/DISCUSSIONS (continued)

Miscellaneous

Mr. Grishman announced the award of Grant by Nassau County to provide for irrigation systems for our fields. He received notice of a \$50,000 award from our representative Judy Jacobs.

Review of Board Policies

- 5340 Borrowing of Funds
- 5410 Principles of Purchasing
- 5420 Competitive Bids and Quotations
- 5421 Procurement of Goods and Services
- 5430 Contracts for Services and Materials
- 5510 Accounting of Funds
- 5515 Audit Committees
- 5518 Internal Audit Function
- 5520 Extraclassroom Activities Fund
- 5530 Petty Cash Funds and Cash in School Buildings
- 5540 Publication of the District's Annual Financial Statement
- 5550 Maintenance of Fiscal Effort (Title I Programs)
- 5610 Insurance
- 5620 Inventories
- 5621 Accounting of Fixed Assets
- 5630 Facilities: Inspection, Operation and Maintenance
- 5631 Hazardous Waste and Handling of Toxic Substances by Employees

➤ Barbara Krieger made the motion seconded by Joe Lorintz "That the Board of Education accept the First Reading of the following policies as shown in Enclosure # 7:

- 5340 Borrowing of Funds
- 5630 Facilities: Inspection, Operations and Maintenance
- 5631 Hazardous Waste and Handling of Toxic Substances by Employees

Motion carried: 4,0

VI. 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.

No comments

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VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Approval of Board Policies - Second Reading

- Joe Lorintz made the motion seconded by Mark Basile "That the Board of Education approve and adopt the following policies as shown in Enclosure # 12:

- #5150 – Contingency Budget
- #5210 – Revenues
- #5220 – District Investments
- #5230 – Acceptance of Gifts, Grants and Bequests to the School District
- #5240 – Property Tax Exemption for Senior Citizens
- #5250 – Sale and Disposal of School District Property
- #5310 – Bonding of Employees and School Board Members
- #5320 – Expenditures of School District Funds
- #5321 – Use of Facsimile Signatures
- #5330 – Budget Transfers

Motion carried 4, 0

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

RESOLUTION - SEQRA

Roofing Middle School/High School

- Joe Lorintz made the motion seconded by Shawn Gladstone "BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education for the Jericho Union Free School District, as lead agency for the actions contemplated herein, after review of the actions proposed the Jericho Middle/High School, 6 NYCRR § 617.5, and the opinion provided by BJLJ Engineers and Architects, P.C., hereby determines that the removal and replacement of portions of the existing roof are Type II actions pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617.5 (c) (1) and (2) of the implementing regulations of the State of Environmental Quality Review Act, and will, therefore, by definition, have not significant adverse impact on the environment."

Motion carried 4, 0

RESOLUTION – SEQRA

Tennis Courts Middle School/High School

- Joe Lorintz made the motion seconded by Shawn Gladstone "BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education for the Jericho Union free School District, as lead agency for the actions contemplated herein, after review of the actions proposed the Jericho Middle/High School, 6 NYCRR § 617.5, and the opinion provided by BJLJ Engineers and Architects, P.C., hereby determines that the removal, reconfiguration and replacement of the existing tennis courts are Type II actions pursuant to 6 NYCRR Part 617.5 (c) (1) and (2) of the implementing regulations of the State Environmental Quality Review Act, and will, therefore, by definition, have no significant adverse impact on the environment."

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VIII. NEW BUSINESS (continued)

Resolution for Proposition 2

- Joe Lorintz made the motion seconded by Shawn Gladstone "BE IT RESOLVED RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE JERICO UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT, NEW YORK DIRECTING SUBMISSION OF A PROPOSITION AT THE ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING AND ELECTION OF THE QUALIFIED VOTERS OF SAID SCHOOL DISTRICT, TO BE HELD MAY 15, 2007, AND PRESCRIBING THE FORM OF SUCH PROPOSITION TO BE INSERTED IN THE NOTICE OF SUCH ANNUAL DISTRICT MEETING AND ELECTION.

Section 1. At the Annual District Meeting and Election of the qualified voters of Jericho Union Free School District, in the County of Nassau, New York (the "District"), to be held on May 15, 2007, a Proposition in substantially the form as hereinafter set forth shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said District. Said Proposition shall appear in the Notice of Annual District Meeting and Election to be held May 15, 2007, and the District Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to include such Proposition in said Notice by inserting therein substantially the following paragraphs:

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that a Proposition shall be presented to the qualified voters of the District at such Annual District Meeting and Election and shall appear on the ballot labels to be inserted in the voting machines in substantially the following form:

YES	<u>EXCEL ROOF PROPOSITION</u>	NO
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"BE IT RESOLVED: (a) That the Board of Education of the Jericho Union Free School District, in the County of Nassau, New York (the "District"), is hereby authorized to partially reconstruct and construct improvements to the roof of the High School/Middle School, and to expend therefore, including all ancillary and related costs, a total of not to exceed \$4,200,000; (b) that \$3,156,903 of such cost shall be provided from funds in the District's "Reserve for Tax Reduction" (proceeds of sale of the Nike Property), and the \$1,043,097 balance of said cost shall be provided from funds expected to be received from the State of New York pursuant to the new Expanding our Children's Education and Learning ("EXCEL") aid program. *This expenditure shall not require the levy of any tax.*

Motion carried 4, 0.

Annual Meeting Notice

- Joe Lorintz made the motion seconded by Shawn Gladstone "That the Board of Education adopt the resolution concerning the Annual Meeting and Election of Board Members for the Board of Education, and the resolution concerning the Special District Meeting for the Jericho Public Library and authorize the public notices thereof."

NOTE: See Enclosure #16

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VIII. NEW BUSINESS (continued)

Adoption of Proposed Budget for 2006-2007

- Joe Lorintz made the motion seconded by Mark Basile BE IT RESOLVED, that the Jericho Board of Education adopt the proposed budget of \$95,683,737 for the 2007-2008 school year;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the voting machines appropriately reflect that amount.”

NOTE: See Enclosure #17

Motion carried: 4, 0.

(Mr. Grishman noted that he met with Claire Hochheiser, board member absent this evening, during the day and she indicated that she approved of this resolution.)

Jericho Public Library

- Joe Lorintz made the motion seconded by Shawn Gladstone “That the Board of Education authorize the proposed amount to be raised by taxes for the Jericho Public Library for 2007-2008 to be \$4,227,725 as approved by the Jericho Public Library Board of Trustees on February 13, 2007, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the voting machines appropriately reflect that amount.”

NOTE: See Enclosure #18

Motion carried: 4, 0

Acceptance of Gift

- Joe Lorintz made the motion seconded by Mark Basile “That the Board of Education accept the gift of a microwave on behalf of the Seaman Elementary School, said gift from the Seaman PTA.”

Motion carried: 4, 0

Approval of 2008-2009 Calendar

- Shawn Gladstone made the motion seconded by Mark Basile “That the Board of Education approve the calendar for the 2008-2009 school year as shown in Enclosure #14.”

Motion carried: 4, 0

IX. PREVIEW FOR FUTURE ACTION

The Board of Education noted dates listed by administration.

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X. BOARD ACTIONS

Approval of Schedules

- Joe Lorintz made the motion seconded by Mark Basile "That the Board of Education approves the following schedules for appropriate action:

A-516	Treasurer's Report
B-GF-480	General Fund
B-FF-447	Federal Fund
B-CAF-477	Cafeteria Fund
D-GF-28	General Fund
D-GF-29	General Fund
D-GF-30	General Fund
D-GF-31	General Fund
D-FF-16	Federal Fund
D-FF-17	Federal Fund
D-CF-16	Cafeteria Fund
D-CF-17	Cafeteria Fund
D-SA-27	Trust and Agency Fund
D-SA-28	Trust and Agency Fund
D-SA-29	Trust and Agency Fund
D-SA-30	Trust and Agency Fund
E-1443	Disposition of Obsolete Equipment
E-1444	Contract – SCOPE Education Services
G-2398 (rev)	Probationary Appointments, Instructional
G-2511 (rev)	Appointments, Instructional, Intramural Activities
G-2533 (rev)	Appointments, Instructional, Tutorial Services, Secondary
G-2534 (rev)	Appointments, Instructional, Tutorial Services, Elementary
G-2535 (rev)	Appointments, Instructional, Regular Substitute
G-2540 (rev)	Appointments, Cocurricular Activities, Elementary
G-2548 (rev)	Appointments, Instructional, Substitute Teachers
G-2555 (rev)	Appointments, Instructional, Regular Substitute
G-2558 (rev)	Probationary Appointments, Instructional
G-2559	Appointments, Instructional, Substitute Teachers
G-2560	Appointments, Instructional, Regular Substitute
GG-988	Appointments, Non-instructional, Regular Substitute
GG-989	Appointments, Non-instructional, Substitutes
GG-990	Appointments, Non-instructional
H-650	Resignations and Terminations of Employment
HH-585	Resignations and Terminations of Employment of Non-instructional Employees
K-336 (rev)	Leaves of Absence – Instructional
K-338 (rev)	Leaves of Absence – Instructional
K-340 (rev)	Leaves of Absence – Instructional
K-341 (rev)	Leaves of Absence – Instructional
K-344	Leaves of Absence – Instructional
KK-64 (rev)	Leave of Absence – Non-instructional
KK-67	Leave of Absence – Non-instructional
L-430	Use of School Facilities

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X. **BOARD ACTIONS (continued)**

Approval of Schedules (continued)

O-574	Tuition/Consultant Services
S-616	Services/Consultant
S-617	Educational Programs and Projects
U-056	Approval of Services for Children with Special Education Needs

Motion carried: 4, 0

XI. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

**Joan L. Colvin, Ed. D.
District Clerk**