REGULAR BOARD MEETING
6:30 P.M.*
HIGH SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
THURSDAY, June 10, 2004

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

Present: Hilari Cohen
Barbara Krieger
Ira Checkla

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

Visitors: List Attached

I. BOARD ACTIONS

Approval of Minutes

➢ Barbara Krieger made the motion seconded by Saundra Gumerove-Bernstein That the Board of Education make any necessary corrections and move approval of the minutes of the Annual Vote dated May 18, 2004.

Motion carried, 5-0.

➢ Ira Checkla made the motion seconded by Toni Meliambro That the Board of Education make any necessary corrections and move approval of the minutes of the minutes of the Regular Meeting dated May 20, 2004.

Motion carried, 5-0.

II. REPORTS/DISCUSSION

Mr Grishman reported to the public and to the Board of Education that he will be requesting an audit of central office expenditures. Mrs. Meliambro suggested that there be assurance as to degree of the type of report that will be received. It was concluded that the Superintendent would seek information from several auditors and report to the Board on July 1, 2004.

Recognition of Tenure Recipients

➢ Saundra Gumerove-Bernstein made the motion seconded by Barbara Krieger That the Board of Education approve Schedule J-124 and award tenure to the following individuals in their respective administrative positions:

Dr. Elaine Margarita/K-12 Curriculum Associate for Languages Other Than English
Mark Steinberger/Director of Educational Technology

Motion carried, 5-0.
II. REPORTS/DISCUSSION (continued)

Recognition of Tenure Recipients (continued)

- Toni Meliambro made the motion seconded by Barbara Krieger. That the Board of Education approve Schedule J-125 and award tenure to the following individuals in their respective teaching assignments:
  
  Marcella Berkovsky/Spanish Teacher  
  Mark Burkowsky/Physical Education Teacher  
  Loriann Ciasulli/Biology Teacher  
  Barbara Kalpakis/Elementary Education Teacher

  Motion carried 5-0.

REPORTS

Enrollment

Mr. Grishman reported the current enrollment of 3208 students.

Note: See Enclosure #3

Middle School Student Council

William Holtz and Jared Solomon, 8th Graders, reported on activities in the Middle School.

High School Student Council

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

Hilari Cohen thanked Alex and wished him good luck at Dartmouth in the fall.

PTA Council

Amy Motschwiller, President, reported on PTA activities during the past month.

Recognition of Students

All County Music Festival Participants  
Long Island String Festival Participants  
NYS All-State Music Participants

Ken Pollitt introduced the following:

Teachers:  
Diane Costello  
Peter Horvath  
Steven Marsh  
Ron Verderber  
Wayne Schuster  
Clare Hussey  
Daniel Friedman  
Evangeline Ktistakis  
John Russo  
Deana Verone  
Dale Ettinger
**Recognition of Students** (continued)

Students:  
- Katerina Jeng  
- Zachary Levine  
- Melissa Hartman  
- Jordana Kono  
- James Lee  
- Ellena Kim  
- Jessica Rosenthal  
- William Holz  
- Eric Singer  
- Samuel Lee  
- Mary Yang  
- Dara Bloomfield  
- Peter Kim  
- Tina Yao  
- Crystal Kim  
- Lindsey Lam  
- Justin Park  
- Marvin Li  
- Yvette Leung  
- Richard Kay  
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- Yvette Leung  
- Richard Kay

- Saundra Gumerove-Bernstein made the motion seconded by Barbara Krieger  
that the Board of Education congratulate all of the music students on behalf of the district for their outstanding achievements.

  Motion carried, 5-0.

Allen Sachs introduced the following students who were involved in the Long Island Challenge and announced that Jericho won First Place in the Nassau County competition. Mr. Sachs presented the district with a check for $10,000 and indicated that every one of our finalists was an award winner.

- Alexander Belser  
- Jeremy Price  
- Michael Goldfarb  
- Joshua Fuhrmann  
- Adam Suzan

- Toni Meliambro made the motion seconded by Saundra Gumerove-Bernstein  
that the Board of Education congratulate all of the Long Island Challenge winners and accept, on behalf of the district, the check for $10,000.

  Motion carried, 5-0.

**Recognition - Allen Sachs**

- Barbara Krieger made the motion seconded by Toni Meliambro  
that the Board of Education congratulate Allen Sachs, Recipient of the Outstanding Science Teacher of the Year Award from the Science Teachers Association of NYS.

  Motion carried, 5-0.

**Recognition of Students**

- Long Island Science and Engineering Fair  
- International Science and Engineering Fair  
- Al Kalfus Long Island Math Fair

Advisor: Allen Sachs

II. REPORTS/DISCUSSION (continued)
Barbara Krieger made the motion seconded by Toni Meliambro. That the Board of Education congratulate all of the students who participated in the Long Island Science and Engineering Fair, the International Science and Engineering Fair, and the Al Kalfus Long Island Math Fair.

Motion carried 5-0.

Recognition of Student

The student being recognized as receiving Honorable Mention in the Long Island’s Best Young Poets Contest did not attend the Board of Education Meeting.

Recognition of Students

Nancy Sammis introduced the following students and noted their respective achievements.

Boys Tennis Team
State Qualifying Students in Track

Coach (Tennis): Robert Bailin
Students: Spencer Ganz, Shiva Kothari, David Schneider, Maxx Wattenberg, Daniel Palmieri, Martin Gilman, Ryan Tolkin

Coaches (Track): Josh Smith, Eric Gotteson
Students: Jennifer Leong, Saade Mitchell

Hilari Cohen made the motion seconded by Ira Checkla. That the Board of Education congratulate all of the students on the boys tennis team and the track team for their outstanding achievements.

Motion carried 5-1.

Recognition of Students

Elaine Margarita

French Poetry Contest Winners/Participants
National French Examination Winners/Participants
Italian Poetry Contest Winners/Participants
National Latin Examination Winners/Participants
National Spanish Examination Winners/Participants

II. REPORTS/DIscussion (continued)

Recognition of Students (continued)
Hilari Cohen made the motion seconded by Ira Checkla. That the Board of Education congratulate the students who participated in the French Poetry Contest, and National French Examination, the Italian Poetry Contest and the National Latin Examination.

Motion carried 5-0.

Recognition of Students

LI Challenge Team Winners

Allen Sachs

Students: Alexander Belser Joshua Fuhrmann
Jeremy Price Adam Suzan
Michael Goldfarb

Toni Meliambro made the motion seconded by Saundra Gumerove-Bernstein. That the Board of Education congratulate the students who participated in the Long Island Challenge and winning First Place.

Motion carried 5-0.

II. REPORTS/DISCUSSION (continued)

Recognition of Relay for Life Co-Chairpeople

Matthew DeMarinis Ira Checkla
Hilari Cohen Brian Cummings
Lisa Lozito Mady Minkoff
Recognition of Saundra Gumerove-Bernstein

Hilari Cohen presented Mrs. Gumerove-Bernstein with a plaque in appreciation of her board service for the past three years. Toni Meliambro commended Saundra Gumerove-Bernstein for her outstanding service during that time.

Mrs. Gumerove-Bernstein then made a statement and thanked the community (see attached).

Report on Executive Session

Mrs. Cohen reported that the Board met in Executive Session to discuss personnel, negotiations and legal matters.

Miscellaneous

Toni Meliambro indicated she had been questioned about classes in the high school that have low enrollments and were being cut. She felt that cuts should be made in after school activities rather than in the classroom.

Mr. Checkla said that he thought after school programs were as important as cutting classes/sections and that the voters had approved the budget by a narrow margin and that we were faced with a dilemma as to how to find ways to save.

III. 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.

Wendy Marks thanked the Jericho School District, administration and faculty and congratulated the graduates.

Jeffrey Pliskin questioned the long range plan of the district and mentioned that the benefits afforded school district employees far exceed those received in the private sector.

Jane Zwilling thanked the Jericho School District and those who participated in the Relay for Life and indicated she was looking forward to next year and submitted petitions to the Board (see attached).

IV. NEW BUSINESS

Retirement - Mr. Hector Gomez

Barbara Krieger made the motion seconded by Ira Checkla WHEREAS, Mr. Hector Gomez first began service on September 18, 1989, and has had continuous service for the past fifteen years and has retired on May 14, 2004, and WHEREAS, he has provided dedicated service to the children of Jericho, and
WHEREAS, he has always been a capable, cooperative and loyal member of the staff,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education extends the sincere appreciation on behalf of this community for a job well done, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education extends honor upon Mr. Hector Gomez who is, and has been, an important part of the history of this community.

Motion carried, 5-0.

Retirement - Mr. Peter Regan

Barbara Krieger made the motion seconded by Ira Checkla. WHEREAS, Mr. Peter Regan first began service on September 9, 1987, and has had continuous service for the past seventeen years and has retired on May 31, 2004, and

WHEREAS, he has provided dedicated service to the children of Jericho, and
WHEREAS, he has always been a capable, cooperative and loyal member of the staff,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education extends the sincere appreciation on behalf of this community for a job well done, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education extends honor upon Mr. Peter Regan who is, and has been, an important part of the history of this community.

Motion carried, 5-0.

Retirement - Mrs. Jadwiga Zambenedetti

Toni Meliambro made the motion seconded by Saundra Gumerove-Bernstein. WHEREAS, Mrs. Jadwiga Zambenedetti first began service on April 1, 1982, and has had continuous service for the past twenty-two years and will retire on June 30, 2004, and

WHEREAS, she has provided dedicated service to the children of Jericho, and
WHEREAS, she has always been a capable, cooperative and loyal member of the staff,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Education extends the sincere appreciation on behalf of this community for a job well done, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Board of Education extends honor upon Mrs. Jadwiga Zambenedetti who is, and has been, an important part of the history of this community.

Motion carried, 5-0.

IV. NEW BUSINESS (continued)

Disposition of Obsolete Inventory

Barbara Krieger made the motion seconded by Saundra Gumerove-Bernstein. WHEREAS, the equipment, textbooks or other personal assets of the Jericho School District on the enclosed list have exhausted their useful life and are obsolete and/or of diminished value, the Board of Education authorizes the disposition of such items.

NOTE: See Enclosure #19
V. PREVIEW FOR FUTURE ACTION

Important Dates

The Board of Education noted dates listed by administration.

VI. RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

Approval of Schedules

Barbara Krieger made the motion seconded by Toni Meliambro that the Board of Education approves the following schedules for appropriate action:

- A-483 Treasurer's Report
- B-GF-450 General Fund
- B-FF-417 Federal Fund
- B-CAF-447 Cafeteria Fund
- D-GF-42 General Fund
- D-GF-43 General Fund
- D-GF-44 General Fund
- D-GF-45 General Fund
- D-FF-27 Federal Fund
- D-FF-28 Federal Fund
- D-CF-27 Cafeteria Fund
- D-CF-28 Cafeteria Fund
- D-SA-33 Trust & Agency Fund
- D-SA-34 Trust & Agency Fund
- D-SA-35 Trust & Agency Fund
- D-SA-36 Trust & Agency Fund
- D-GF-42 Conference Expense
- D-GF-44 Conference Expense
- E-1295 Award of Bid - Milk
- E-1296 Award of Bid - Ice Cream

VI. RECOMMENDED ACTIONS (continued)

Approval of Schedules (continued)

- E-1297 Award of Bid - Meat & Meat Provisions
- E-1298 Award of Bid - Out of District & Special Transportation
- E-1299 Extension of Bid - Summer Transportation
- G-2334 (rev) Appointments, Instructional, Intramural Activities
- G-2352 (rev) Appointments, Instructional, Part Time
- G-2355 (rev) Appointments, Co-curricular Activities - Middle School
- G-2385 (rev) Appointments, Instructional, Part Time
- G-2393 Appointments, Instructional, Substitute Teachers, Secondary
- G-2394 Appointments, Instructional, Substitute Teachers, Elementary
Motion carried, 5-0.

VII. ADJOURN

The meeting was adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Joan Colvin, Ed. D.
District Clerk