

JERICHO UNION FREE SCHOOL DISTRICT

REGULAR BOARD MEETING
6:30 P.M.

JACKSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2005

Present:

Hilari Cohen
Barbara Krieger
Claire Hochheiser
Ira Checkla
Joseph H. Lorintz

Also Present:

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

I. CALL TO ORDER

Hilari Cohen called the meeting to order at 6:30.

- Joe Lorintz made the motion seconded by Barbara Krieger that the Board of Education move to Executive Session.

Motion carried 4, 0.

7:25 PM Ira Checkla left the meeting.

Board resumed Public Session at 7:30

II. RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Barbara Krieger 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 November 17, 2005".

Motion carried 4, 0.

Tenure Recipient

- Joe Lorintz made the motion to move Schedule J-130 seconded by Claire Hochheiser "That the Board of Education approve the tenure appointment of Nancy Sammis".

Motion carried 4, 0.

III. RECOGNITIONS

Winner of Teachers of English Achievement Award in Writing

- Barbara Krieger made the motion seconded by Joe Lorintz "That the Board of Education recognize the following for their designation as Winners of Teachers of English Achievement Award in Writing".

Teacher: Michael Hartnett

Recipient:

Kaitlyn Hay

Motion carried 4, 0.

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III. RECOGNITIONS (continued)

Siemens/Westinghouse Participants

- Barbara Krieger made the motion seconded by Joe Lorintz "That the Board of Education recognize the following Siemens/Westinghouse Semi-Finalists, Participants and their Advisor".

Advisor: Christopher Hoppner

Semi-Finalists: Sean McCormack
 Julian Hershowitz
 Esther Kwak
 Lana Castor
 Bonnie Lam
 Vikas Anand

Participants:	Rishi Chopra	Brienne Kugler
	Uma Mullapudi	Shiva Kothari
	John Oh	Urooj Khan
	Won Woo Lee	Adam Hyams
	Arpit Shah	Kaitlyn Hay
	Mary Yang	Adam Fields
	Kiwoong Yoo	Adam Feinstein
	Stefanie Aquilina	Brian Druyan
	Reema Dalal	

Motion carried, 4, 0.

Tenure Recipient

- Barbara Krieger made the motion to move Schedule J-131 seconded by Claire Hochheiser "That the Board of Education approve the tenure appointment of Michelle Vevante".

Motion carried 4, 0.

Girls Varsity Swim Team

- Joe Lorintz made the motion seconded by Claire Hochheiser "That the Board of Education congratulate the Girls Varsity Swim Team for their designation as the Scholar Athlete State Champions maintaining a 97.36 average".

Coaches: Joseph Farrell
Allison Clark
Richard Stern

Team:	Emily Cheng	Dara Freudenthal
	Marissa Finn	Stacy Derkatch
	Hyun-Ah Yoo	Mary Yang
	Alexis Rosenblum	Katherine Kim
	Geerin Kim	Lauren Kessler
	Arden Finn	Allison Birnbaum
	Esther Yoo	Yichu Xu
	Cassidy Tichner	Jennifer So

III. RECOGNITIONS (continued)

Girls Varsity Swim Team (continued)

Team (continued):

Molly Sherman
Susan Kim
Marni Weiner
Sarah Singer
Jaclyn Murphy
Rachel Lorintz
Hallie Krauser
Rebecca Jung
Jaimie Chow
Catherine You
Daisy Tang
Samantha McInerney
Esther Lee
Katerina Jeng

Ilana Malekan
Adina Yoon
Rachel So
Lindsey Schnitt
Michelle Molinari
June Lee
Katherine Kim
Jenna Goldberg
Stefanie Aversa
Jennifer Yoon
Diana Pan
Liani Mari
Jennifer Kim
Whitney Bachrach

Motion carried 4,0.

IV. REPORTS/DISCUSSION

Enrollment Report

Hilari Cohen reported that the enrollment as of December 16, 2005 is 3242.

(See Enclosure)

Jackson School Student Council

Alexandra Sieb – Student Council President, Jack Barnett – Student Council Vice President, Anthony Modica – Student Council Treasurer and Morgan Smiley – Student Council Secretary reported on activities in the Jackson Elementary School.

Middle School Student Council

Rebecca Sherman - 7th Grader, reported on activities in the Middle School.

High School Student Council

Armand Hershowitz - Student Council President and Samuel Lee - Student Council Vice President reported on activities in the High School.

PTA Council

Shawn Gladstone – PTA Council President reported on activities in the PTA.

Jackson Presentation

The Jackson Elementary students and staff presented “The World According to Jackson” Curriculum Fair.

Executive Session

The Board of Education discussed personnel of particular persons at the last executive session.

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IV. REPORTS/DISCUSSION (continued)

Lt. Matthew Lynch Dedication

Hilari Cohen reported on the dedication ceremony held at the pool on December 22, 2005 at 3:30 pm.

- Hilari Cohen made the motion seconded by Joe Lorintz " That the Board of Education to name the pool Lt. Matthew Lynch Pool."

Motion carried 4,0.

FOIL Update

Dr. Colvin reported that FOIL requests are continuing to be submitted.

Report on Financial Forum

Hilari Cohen reported on the Financial Forum workshop.

Public Workshop

A Public Workshop is scheduled for January 9, 2006 to discuss the Tenure Process.

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. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Adoption of Board Policy

- Joe Lorintz made the motion seconded by Barbara Krieger "That the Board of Education adopt Board Policies # 3420, # 6120, # 6150, # 6151, # 6160 and # 7000 (listed below)

Board Policy #3420 - Anti- Harassment in the School District

Anti- Harassment in the School District - as set forth in Enclosure # 10.

See Enclosure # 10

Board Policy #6120 - Equal Employment Opportunity

Board Policy # 6120 - Equal Employment Opportunity - as set forth in Enclosure # 11.

See Enclosure # 11

Board Policy #6150 - Alcohol, Drugs and Other Substances (School Personnel)

Board Policy # 6150 - Alcohol, Drugs and Other Substances (School Personnel) - as set forth in Enclosure # 12.

See Enclosure # 12

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VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS (continued)

Adoption of Board Policy (continued)

Adoption of Board Policy #6151 - Drug-Free Workplace

Board Policy # 6151 - Drug-Free Workplace - as set forth in Enclosure # 13.

Enclosure # 13”

Adoption of Board Policy #6160 - Professional Growth/Staff Development

Board Policy # 6160 - Professional Growth/Staff Development as set forth in Enclosure # 14.”

See Enclosure #14

Adoption of Board Policy #7000 - Education of Homeless Children and Youth

Board Policy # 7000 - Education of Homeless Children and Youth as set forth in Enclosure #15.”

See Enclosure #15

Motion carried 4,0.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

Acceptance of Gift

- Joe Lorintz made the motion seconded by Barbara Krieger “That the Board of Education accept, on behalf of the Cantiague Elementary School, trees to be planted in the *Life Lessons Through Literature Garden*, said trees having been donated by a district resident.”

Motion carried 4, 0.

Adoption of Board Policy

Right to Defense and Indemnification as Provided in Public Officers Law §18

- Barbara Krieger made the motion seconded by Joe Lorintz “BE IT RESOLVED, that supplemental hereto and as an additional prerequisite to public office and employment, the Board hereby further extends the right to be defended and indemnified as provided in Public Officers Law §18 to board members, school officers, agents and employees who are requested or are called to testify as a witness or to answer questions concerning their acts or omissions within the scope of their office, agency of employment before a grand jury, the Office of the District Attorney or other law enforcement official. Nothing herein contained shall be construed to authorize or require defense or indemnification to a board member, school officer, agent or employee who has been identified as a defendant in a pending criminal prosecution or where such individual, or the school district, has reason to believe that such individual is a target in a criminal investigation or prosecution by the Office of the District Attorney or other law enforcement entity.”

Motion carried 4, 0.

Establishment of a Reserve for Employee Liability

- Barbara Krieger made the motion seconded by Joe Lorintz “That the Board of Education authorize the establishment of a reserve fund account for employee benefit accrued liability effective December 23, 2005.”

Motion carried 4, 0.

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VII. NEW BUSINESS (continued)

Establishment of Audit Committee

- Barbara Krieger made the motion seconded by Claire Hochheiser "That effective January 1, 2006, the Board of Education establish an Audit Committee, said committee to be charged with the responsibility of reviewing matters pertaining to financial oversight and accountability within the school district."

Motion carried 4, 0.

FIRST READING

Board Policy #5515 - Audit Committees

Policy #5515 - *Audit Committees* - as set forth in Enclosure #20."

NOTE: See Enclosure #20

Board Policy #5518 - Internal Audit Function

Board Policy #5518 - Internal Audit Function - as set forth in Enclosure #21."

NOTE: See Enclosure #21

VIII. PREVIEW FOR FUTURE ACTION

Important Dates

The Board of Education noted dates listed by administration.

IX. RECOMMENDED ACTIONS

Approval of Schedules

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

A-501	Treasurer's Report
B-GF-466	General Fund
B-FF-433	Federal Fund
B-CAF-463	Cafeteria Fund
D-GF-14	General Fund
D-GF-15	General Fund
D-GF-16	General Fund
D-GF-17	General Fund
D-FF-09	Federal Fund
D-FF-10	Federal Fund
D-CF-09	Cafeteria Fund
D-CF-10	Cafeteria Fund
D-CF-11	Cafeteria Fund
D-SA-14	Trust and Agency Fund
D-SA-15	Trust and Agency Fund
D-SA-16	Trust and Agency Fund
D-SA-17	Trust and Agency Fund

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IX. RECOMMENDED ACTIONS (continued)

Approval of Schedules (continued)

D-SA-18 Trust and Agency Fund

D-GF-14	Conference Expense
D-GF-16	Conference Expense
E-1383	Award of Bid - Out of District & Special Transportation 2005-2006
E-1384	Disposition of Obsolete Items
E-1385	Agreement - Consultant Services
G-2457 (rev)	Appointments, Extracurricular Coaches
G-2458 (rev)	Appointments, Extracurricular Coaches
G-2460 (rev)	Appointments, Instructional, Intramural Activities
G-2469 (rev)	Appointments, Instructional, Tutorial Services, Secondary
G-2481 (rev)	Appointments, Co-curricular Activities - High School
G-2482 (rev)	Appointments, Co-curricular Activities - Elementary
G-2486 (rev)	Appointments, Instructional, Regular Substitute
G-2488	Appointments, Instructional, Substitute Teachers
G-2489	Appointments, Instructional, Part Time
G-2490	Appointments, Instructional, Regular Substitute
GG-943 (rev)	Appointments, Non-instructional, Swim Program
GG-947	Appointments, Non-instructional, Substitutes
GG-948	Appointments, Non-instructional
H-633	Resignations and Terminations of Employment
HH-570	Resignations and Terminations of Employment of Non-instructional Employees
K-325 (rev)	Leave of Absence - Instructional
K-326 (rev)	Leaves of Absence - Instructional
K-328	Curriculum Assignments - Instructional
K-329	Leaves of Absence - Instructional
L-417	Use of School Facilities
O-537 (rev)	Tuition/Consultant Services
O-552	Tuition/Consultant Services
O-553	Tuition/Consultant Services
S-573 (rev)	Educational Programs and Projects
S-575 (rev)	Appointments, Membership Committee on Special Education
S-576 (rev)	Appointments, Membership Pre-school Committee on Special Education
S-585	Educational Programs and Projects
S-586	Services/Consultants
S-587	Educational Programs and Projects
T-208	Designation of Textbooks
U-025	Approval of Placements of Children with Special Education Needs

X. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 9:40

Respectfully submitted,

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