

*In an effort to increase Board/Public Communications, after each Board of Education meeting an email will be sent to parents, staff, and anyone who requested to receive district e-mail communications, highlighting board discussions.*

The following was discussed at the September 18, 2014 meeting:

\*The external audit was completed and Alan Yu, a Partner at Cullen & Danowski, reported to the board that the district received the “highest level of assurance” that the company can give. “You are in very good financial health.” The audit report is available on the district website.

\*Board Trustee Gina Levy completed the New York State School Board Association’s 12-hour preparation training for new Board members and was commended by Jericho’s Board of Education as well as NYSSBA.

\*Students from the Middle School and High School student council made reports updating everyone on the many happenings in the schools.

\*PTA Council treasurer Deborah Lee reported that all PTA units are striving for 100% membership and announced that the next open council meeting is set for Monday, September 29 at 9:30 a.m. in the Middle School Library. The discussion will be social media and all are invited to attend.

\*In the Superintendent’s Report, Hank Grishman spoke about a revised application for a 70-unit senior condominium complex on Old Cedar Swamp Road in Jericho. This proposed development would be located across the street from the Middle School/High School campus and would require a change of zone from residential to commercial. “This proposal would negatively impact the health and safety of our students.” The Town of Oyster Bay has not announced any meetings at this time and Mr. Grishman said he would keep the community posted on any updates.

\*The board welcomed new staff members and took action on a number of items, including the acceptance of two donations and approval of contracts. The full agenda and minutes can be found on our website at [http://jerichoschools.org/district/board\\_of\\_education](http://jerichoschools.org/district/board_of_education)

The next meeting of the Board of Education meeting is scheduled for October 23, 2014 at 7:30 PM in the Middle School Library.

*-Bill Ferro, Board President*

*Sent on behalf of the Jericho Board of Education*