

Board of Education Regular Meeting
 Glen Cove City School District
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 Wednesday, February 13, 2019
 Executive Session – 6:15 pm
 Regular Meeting – Board of Education to Convene
 Streamed live at glencove.k12.ny.us

Members Present: Ms. Gail Nedbor-Gross, Mr. Alexander Juarez, Mr. David Huggins (arrived 6:34pm), Ms. Monica Alexandris-Miller, Ms. Mary Murphy, Ms. Rosemarie Sekelsky, C. Venator (school district attorney – executive session only)

Absent: Mr. Robert Field

Also Present: Dr. Maria Rianna, Dr. Michael Israel, Ms. Victoria Galante

Attendees: About 17 members in the audience

On motion by Trustee Alexandris-Miller, seconded by Trustee Sekelsky, the Board unanimously (5/0) entered into executive session at 6:21 pm. On a motion by Trustee Juarez, seconded by Trustee Alexandris-Miller the Board unanimously (6/0) adjourned executive session at 7:36 pm.

Executive Session

The meeting was called to order by the Board President, Pledge of Allegiance, and a moment of silence for our troops. Roll call was taken, as noted above at 7:45 pm.

Roll Call:
Call to Order

Approval of Minutes of the Board of Education Meeting - Presented by District Clerk -

On a motion by Trustee Sekelsky, seconded by Trustee Huggins, the Board by a vote of 5 in favor and 1 abstention (5/1 Trustee Murphy abstained) moved to approve the minutes of the Board of Education meeting of January 23, 2019 as amended.

Approved:
Minutes of
BOE Meeting
- January 23,
2019.

Committee Reports: No Reports

Superintendent's Report - Updates:

Renaissance Star and Fountas & Pinnell Growth – Dr. Rianna turned this section of the meeting over to Dr. Israel. Dr. Israel went through a power point presentation reviewing growth scores. Handouts were made available to both the board of education and members of the audience. The board of education asked questions they had at the end of the presentation all of which were addressed. Dr. Rianna mentioned that these tests help teachers determined student's strengths and weaknesses to provide them with instructional strategies to help them work with.

The GCTA President (Allison Fletcher) stated that they have administered the Renaissance Star for the past three years and the great thing about it is that it gives instant results with a whole host of reports that can be chosen. It helps you to differentiate where each students strength and weakness are.

2019-2020 Budget Presentation – Dr. Rianna turned this section of the meeting over to Victoria Galante who did a revenue update for workshop #3 of the 2019-2020 budget. Copies of the presentation were made available to all in attendance with questions being addressed by the board at the end of her presentation. Dr. Rianna also updated on the district not being fully funded under foundation aide due to the districts unusual combined wealth ratio resulting in not being able to not be fully funded for a number of years. If we receive more funding it would help with the tax levy and the gap.

GCHS 9 Period Day – Dr. Rianna mentioned that they're trying to restore a 9 period day at the high school allowing additional opportunities for students. She presented a power point showing the advantages in doing so. All questions from the board of education were addressed.

Dr Rianna mentioned that herself, Dr. Israel and Victoria Galante have conducted tours in each of the buildings over the past two weeks as well as presentations by different

organizations regarding the bond referendum scheduled for March 12, 2019. Additionally, posters are displayed at the public library for community viewing as well as an informational question and answer section on our website. There's a lot of information on our website. Some misinformation such as the amount of the bond of 84.6 million is the amount that can be used for the projects and any alternative funding offsets that cost. Some monies have already been given to the district and that has been set aside and will be used towards the cost of that project. There are four phases over 4 ½ years. If we were to borrow 20 million in the first phase we wouldn't go out for the full amount of the bond. If we only use 18 million of the 20 million borrowed, the remaining amount would go towards phase 2 and so on until the projects are completed. Any money left over would be used to pay down the debt service. It doesn't get put aside and used for anything additional. We have over the past five years done projects through our regular budget process. The board has done its due diligence because they were aware of the information from our previous architects and through another opinion through another architect with the same list of projects that need to be done. The reason why these projects are combined and packaged the way they are is to maximize the state aide and if you do some of these projects as standalone they do not qualify for aide. We maximize our state aide which is conservatively at 33% and you don't start to pay until 2021 and the payments are around \$5 per month. There's a payout sheet on the website. My biggest concern in speaking with community members and colleagues is that people are given correct information not misinformation. We're committed to putting out all the correct information in a timely manner. There was some conversation about the fire watch at the high school and the reason we were able to convince the state education department to give us an emergency project number and get our aide on that project was that they were aware that it was already a proposed item on the bond. During our tours we specified that we must conform to building codes first otherwise the state will not give us project numbers or approve the projects. Our ADA building code compliances have to come first and in doing that we can also maximize our state aide through the necessary projects. Alternative funding sources have been stressed to all community members. We've been able to do some of the construction that we've had to encounter over the last five years through grants given to us by Senator Marcellino, Assemblyman Levine or Delia Deriggi-Whitton. The outdoor bleacher at the high school were no longer going to be insured by our insurance and through Senator Marcellino we were able to get \$500,000 to restore those and make them ADA accessible. Additionally, a former board member, Maria Venuto, helped write a grant and in doing so was able to get additional equipment and food services through that.

Vice-President Juarez stated that there's a registration date and that we're hitting all the target dates so that the community knows. Also wanted the athletic director to explain to the community what he's doing to help us.

Athletic Director Cardone stated that three months ago we were accepted to apply for the NFL Football Field grant for \$250,000. Over the last two months myself, Ms. Galante, Dr. Israel, Dr. Rianna and others have gotten data and we submitted the paperwork a few weeks ago so hopefully we'll find out if we receive that grant.

District Clerk Johnson stated that absentee ballot can be requested up until 7 days before the bond referendum and need to be received by 5pm at Thayer house. They are not to be delivered to the polling places as they will not be accepted there and will be denied. Applications are available on-line as well as any of the school buildings. Absentee ballots cannot be given without an application. Additionally, if you're already registered to vote through the Nassau County Board of Elections you do not need to register through the school district. They provide us with that information. If you're not registered you have until February 26th to do so for the March vote.

Public Participation

The following topics were presented during the public participation section on agenda items only.

- Is the grant solely for artificial turf or to improve the field itself? Wanted to bring the difference of artificial vs grass. There are different types of artificial fields you can get and some require more care than others. Being involved in rehabilitation of athletics I want people to pay more attention to the rate of injuries on artificial compared to natural grass. The sports affected by artificial are football, rugby and soccer which are the main sports played on artificial turf. I'm not for it and it can

end careers especially for football and soccer. Regarding progress monitoring and I know you're seeing a lot of good things with the testing however are there any negative things that the tests aren't covering as it's a relatively quick test. Are there things that aren't being found in those tests? Are there similar tests that can be used with pros and cons to that?

- I'm happy to see such wonderful grade wide results but would encourage the district to disaggregate those results into various sub groups so you can better analyze where our needs are in terms of students with disabilities, economically disadvantaged and the major racial groups. Regarding the nine period day, that should be amongst the top priorities of the district to restore. It would be a huge benefit to our students at a very low cost when you're looking at the percentage of the total budget that is devoted to that increase. It far less than a whole percent. You're talking about providing more opportunities for students across the board which would prepare them better for college, for careers after graduation, for our high achieving students would be able to take more AP classes, college credit courses and for our struggling learners you're talking about adding labs increasing their results in regents exams and for those struggling to graduate because of failed exams or courses you're providing them the supports to get them to graduate on time.
- I have a big objection to a school board member making it seem as if the eight period day has been a disaster. It hasn't the school has done very well, students are doing very well. If a nine period day gives them a better opportunity fine. What really distresses me is telling people that a student who's a minor is a loud to opt out of a lunch period and not eat. I cannot see anyone allowing a student not to have a lunch for five hours. What's a permanent substitute teacher? I have a problem with presentations like this. If you're going to give a presentation and someone asks where's the introduction? There should be an introduction telling what it's about, the basis of the data is, where it comes from, how it's going to be interpreted and then give the presentation. I have a question on using computers for the testing. Has the issue on the questions and answer tests and hits a wrong answer does it allow them to go back and make corrections before submitting? I've seen it on the chrome book that once an answer is hit it goes onto the next question and you can't go back. When the district talks about meeting the standard or above. I'm curious how many exceed the standard and by how many levels.
- When you were discussing the math with the lab and ELA with the lab is it going to be the same teacher for continuity? When you're asking for concrete numbers for the nine period day I want to say that that's impossible because you're going to have different numbers throughout including in the beginning of the year when students drop out of classes. What you should be more concerned about is if those students do drop out of classes they should be filled with another class and not a free period. Students in the high school end up with a lot of free periods and that's where we're not keeping track.
- If bond money is being borrowed at different times during 4 to 4 ½ years what's the interest rate now and what's it going to be in 4 or 4 ½ years?

Instructional Report

On the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools made by the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, a motion was made by Trustee Huggins, seconded by Trustee Murphy, the Board unanimously (6/0) moved to approve the following:

Committee on Special Education

RESOLVED, that on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the recommendations of the Committee on Special Education for Initial Placement Programs/Services for cases filed in the office of special education from meetings and approves the authorization of funds to implement the special education programs and services.

Approval:
**Committee
on Special
Education**

Business Affairs – Finance – No Information

Business Affairs - Finance

On the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools made by the Assistant Superintendent of Business, a motion was made by Trustee Alexandris-Miller, seconded

by Trustee Juarez, the Board unanimously (6/0), moved to approved the following:

Treasurer's Report – Month of December 2018

Financial Reports:

Bank Reconciliation, Revenue Budget Status Report, Appropriation Budget Status Report, Register of Bills, Check Registers – Month of December 2018

Approval:
Treasurer's
& Financial
Reports –
December
2018

Business Affairs - Operations

On the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools made by the Assistant Superintendent of Business, a motion was made by Trustee Huggins, seconded by Trustee Alexandris-Miller, the Board unanimously (6/0), moved to approved the following:

Appointing Chairpersons and Inspectors

BE IT RESOLVED that the following named qualified voter of the City School District of Glen Cove, New York, is hereby appointed as a Chairperson or Inspector of Election for the School District Bond Election to be held on March 12, 2019.

Approval:
Appointing
Chairpersons &
Inspectors
for March
12, 2019
Bond Vote

SCHOOL ELECTION DISTRICT A, B, C – High School, Back Gym

Fran Boim	15 Selina Court, Glen Cove	Inspector
Karyme Demosthene-Luengas	227 Walnut Road, Glen Cove	Inspector
Arline Grennan	45 Valentine Street, Glen Cove	Inspector
Lucille Johnson	202 Cambridge Drive, Glen Cove	Inspector
Lisa Kelly	163 St. Andrews Lane, Glen Cove	Inspector
Donna Marino	47 Valentine Street, Glen Cove	Chairperson
Richard Schultz	47 Kirkwood Drive, Glen Cove	Inspector
Susan Steeve	77 Highland Road, Glen Cove	Chairperson
Karen Tenke	23 Stillman Road, Glen Cove	Inspector
Theresia Vetrone	4 Clinton Street, Glen Cove	Inspector
Antoinette Zekraus	18 1 st Street, Glen Cove	Inspector

SCHOOL ELECTION DISTRICT D – Connolly School

Angelina Basile	1 Henry Drive, Glen Cove	Chairperson
Agueda Lopez	6 Seaman Road, 2 nd Floor	Inspector
Christine Williams	33 Titus Road, Glen Cove	Inspector
Pamela Zimmer	104 Robinson Avenue, Glen Cove	Inspector

SWITCHBOARD

Gayle Tullo

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that each Inspector of Election shall be entitled to compensation at the rate of \$180 per day (full day). Chairpersons of Election shall be entitled to compensation at the rate of \$230 per day (full day) or \$11.80 per hour for those inspectors not working the full day and switchboard operator shall be entitled to compensation at the rate of \$11.80 per hour. Additionally, each Inspector of Election and Chairpersons will be compensated at a rate of \$11.80 for a one hour training the district clerk will provide prior to the election.

Corrective Action Plan

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts the Corrective Action Plan as developed in conjunction with the 2018 agreed-upon procedures, which will be implemented during the 2019 – 2020 school year.

Approval:
Corrective
Action Plan

Agreed-Upon Procedures

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education adopts the 2018 Agreed-Upon Procedures as presented by the Internal Auditors to the Audit Committee.

Approval:
Agreed -
Upon
Procedures

Field Trip

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the High School STEP club's trip to the STEP Albany Conference from March 29, 2019 through March 31, 2019.

Approval:
Field Trip –
HS STEP
Club

Contracts - DOR

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the services as summarized below in which Glen Cove is the district of residence and authorizes the President to sign such upon approval:

Approval:
Contracts -
DOR

District of Location	Address	# of Students	Services
Oyster-Bay/E. Norwich CSD	1 McCouns Lane Oyster Bay, NY 11771	4	Special Ed. Services as outlined in IEP.
Manhasset UFSD	200 Memorial Place Manhasset, NY 11030	3	Special Ed. Services as outlined in IEP.
Hicksville UFSD	200 Division Ave. Hicksville, NY 11801	1	Special Ed. Services as outlined in IEP.
North Shore Schools	280 Carpenter Avenue Sea Cliff, NY 11579	1	Special Ed. Services as outlined in IEP.

Budget Adjustment

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following budget adjustment journal entry:

Approval:
Budget Adjustment

Amount	From	Description	To	Description
\$50,000	A3289	Other State Aid	A2630 466 25	Computer Repairs - DW

Budget Transfers

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the following budget transfers:

Approval:
Budget Transfers

Amount	From	Description	To	Description
\$8,784	A2280 500 07	Occ Ed – Material & Supplies	A2855 500	Supplies – Athletics
\$6,000	A1910 931	Insurance	A2855 500	Supplies - Athletics

*To transfer funds to Athletic Supply budget line for the purchase of uniforms.

Field Trip

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the High School orchestra’s trip to the Long Island Music Festival Competition in Dorney Park, Pennsylvania, on May 17, 2019.

Approval:
Field Trip – HS Orchestra

PERSONNEL – Certified

On the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools made by the Superintendent of Schools, on a motion by Trustee Sekelsky, seconded by Trustee Huggins, the Board unanimously (6/0) moved to approve the following certified matters:

Appointment of Part-Time Teacher

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named person, who is properly certified, be appointed as a Part-Time teacher for the Glen Cove City School District effective on or about February 14, 2019 through June 30, 2019, or sooner, as specified below (salary as per contract, prorated).

Approval of
Arielle Stein - Part-Time Teacher

Name	Area	School(s)	FTE	Schedule & Step
Stein, Arielle	Speech & Language	District of Location	.7	MA, Step 1 (prorated)

Certifications

Name	Certification(s)	Certificate Type
Stein, Arielle	Speech and Language Disabilities	Initial

Comments

Ms. Stein is replacing Ms. Singleton-Coyne, who resigned.

Appointment of Regular Substitute Teacher

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named person be appointed as a Regular Substitute Teacher for the Glen Cove City School District as specified below (salary - \$108/day first 30 days; step & salary, prorated, day 31, if applicable).

Approval:
Ann Simeone - Regular Substitute Teacher

Name	Certification Area(s)/Type	Building	Salary	Effective
Simeone, Ann	Childhood Ed 1-6 (initial) SWD 1-6 (initial)	Landing	MA, Step 1	o/a 2/7/19-6/30/19

Comments

Ms. Simeone is replacing Ms. Hazen who is going out on maternity/childcare leave.

Change in Status

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the change in status for the following named person be approved as specified below (salary as per contract).

Approval:
Change in Status of Jesmet John

Name	From	To	Effective
John, Jesmel	.33 ENL Teacher ICT TA (15 hrs./wk.)	.5 ENL Teacher ICT TA (14.75 hrs./wk.)	2/14/19

Comments

Ms. John's FTE is being increased due to an increase in enrollment of ENL students at Deasy.

Appointment of Permanent Substitute Teacher

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named person be appointed as a Permanent Substitute Teacher for the Glen Cove City School District effective February 14, 2019 through June 26, 2019, as specified below (salary - \$126/day; no benefits).

Approval: of
Elizabeth
Scott –
Permanent
Substitute
Teacher

Name	Certification Area(s)/Type(s)	School
Scott, Elizabeth	Early Childhood Ed B-2 (professional) Childhood Ed 1-6 (professional)	Middle School

Appointment of Home Tutor

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named person be appointed as a Home Tutor for the Glen Cove City School District effective the 2018-2019 school year (salary - \$40.00/hr.)

Approval: of
D'Andra
Davis –
Home Tutor

Davis, D'Andra

Appointment of Volunteer Coach

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named person be appointed as a Volunteer Coach for the Glen Cove City School District effective the 2018-2019 school year as specified below (no stipend).

Approval: of
Douglas
Tripp –
Volunteer
Coach

Name	Sport
Tripp, Douglas	Varsity Boys Lacrosse

Requests for Leaves of Absence

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the requests for a leave of absence for the following named persons be approved as specified below.

Approval:
Leaves of
Absences of
Monica
Chavez &
Arlene
Geoghegan

Name	Title	Building	Effective
Chavez, Monica	Coordinator of ENL & World Languages	District	2/1/19-6/30/19
Geoghegan, Arlene	Science Teacher	HS	1/28/19-o/a 4/29/19

Comments

Ms. Chavez is requesting a leave of absence for medical reasons.

Ms. Geoghegan is requesting a leave of absence for medical reasons.

Retirements

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the resignations, for the purpose of retirement, of the following named persons be approved as specified below.

Acceptance:
Retirements
of
Rosemarie
Bongiorno,
Carmelina
Peralta

Name	Title	Building	Effective
Bongiorno, Rosemarie	ENL Teacher	Gribbin/Middle School	6/30/19
Peralta, Carmelina	School Psychologist	Connolly/Carriage House	6/30/19

PERSONNEL – Classified

On the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools made by the Superintendent of Schools, on a motion by Trustee Huggins, seconded by Trustee Sekelsky, the Board unanimously (6/0) moved to approve the following classified matters:

Memorandum of Agreement (Glen Cove Educational Support Association)

The Superintendent of Schools recommends that the Board of Education approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the Glen Cove City School District and the Glen Cove Educational Support Staff Association (GCESA) dated January 22, 2019, as it pertains to the labor agreement for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2022 (filed in the personnel office).

Approval:
Memorandum
of Agreement
(Glen Cove
Educational
Support
Association)

Appointment of School Monitors

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named persons be appointed as School Monitors for the Glen Cove City School District as specified below (salary as per contract).

Approval: of
School
Monitors

Name	School	Hours	Effective
Ditizio, Maria	Middle School	29.5 hrs./wk.	2/25/19-6/26/19
McCoy, Candra	Gribbin	29.5 hrs./wk.	o/a 1/22/19-6/26/19
Monahan, Kayla	Connolly	29.5 hrs./wk.	1/31/19-6/26/19
Prezeau, Natalie*	Middle School	29.5 hrs./wk.	2/25/19-6/26/19

Quayle, Katrina	Deasy	29.5 hrs./wk.	1/29/19-6/26/19
Scutifero, Francesca	Middle School	29.5 hrs./wk.	1/28/19-6/26/19
Smith, Julieann*	Middle School	29.5 hrs./wk.	2/25/19-6/26/19

*pending fingerprint clearance

Comments

Ms. Ditzio is being assigned to a 1:1 position.
 Ms. McCoy is being assigned to a 1:1 position.
 Ms. Monahan is being assigned to a 1:1 position.
 Ms. Prezeau is being assigned to a 1:1 position.
 Ms. Quayle is being assigned to a 1:1 position.
 Ms. Scutifero is being assigned to a 1:1 position.
 Ms. Smith is being assigned to a 1:1 position.

Increase in Assignment (Monitor)

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the increase in assignment for the following named person be approved as specified below (salary as per contract).

Approval: Increase in Assignment of Rita Polo

Name	From	To	Effective
Polo, Rita	25 hrs./wk.	27.5 hrs./wk.	1/30/19

Comments

Ms. Polo's hours are being increased in order to satisfy mandatory compliance coverage.

Appointment of Part-Time Food Service Helper

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named person be appointed as a part-time Food Service Helper for the Glen Cove School District as specified below (salary as per contract).

Approval: of Arlene Sampaio Lopes - Part-Time Food Service Helper

Name	School	Hours	Effective
Sampaio Lopes, Arlene	Deasy	13.75 hrs./wk.	1/24/19

Comments

Ms. Sampaio Lopes is replacing Ms. Quayle, who resigned in order to accept a position as a school monitor.

Appointment of Per Diem Substitute Monitor

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named person be appointed as a per diem Substitute Monitor for the Glen Cove City School District effective the 2018-2019 school year (salary - \$12.00/hr.)

Approval: of Maria Thomaidis - Per Diem Substitute Monitor

Thomaidis, Maria

Appointment of Adult Education Instructors (Spring Semester)

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED that the following named persons be appointed as Adult Education Instructors for the Glen Cove City School District effective March 4, 2019 through May 20, 2019, provided the appointee meets the required qualifications for the job (salary- \$50 per hour).

Approval: Adult Education Instructors (Spring Semester)

Instructor	Course
Adlman, William	Flip This House
Aragon, Liz	Zumba/Toning
Chin, Nancy	Tai Chi for All
DiMenna, Jeanine	Fine Cuisine with Jeanine
Estrada, Stacey	Eight Weeks to Wellness Organize and Share Photo on Mac Organize and Stream Music on Mac Organize, Enhance and Share Photos iPhone and iPad Yoga for Beginners
Fiore, Richard	Rhythm Dancing for Social Occasions
Hahn, Will	Getting Paid to Talk
Hinojosa, Juan	Excel Introduction Excel Intermediate Excel Advanced
Khodai, Michelle	Meditation
Polner Abraham, Beth	Elder Care Law
Rodriguez, Carol	Line Dancing for Your Health
Silverman, Jeffrey	Keep the Income Flowing Planning for Your Child with Special Needs The Truth About Annuities

Resignation

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the resignation of the following named person be approved as specified below.

Acceptance: Resignation of Katrina

Name	Position/Assignment	Building	Effective
Quayle, Katrina	Part-Time Food Service Helper	Deasy	1/28/19 (end of day)

QuayleComments

Ms. Quayle is resigning in order to accept a position as a 1:1 monitor at Deasy.

Unfinished Business –

- *Vice-President Juarez* – has requested in the past a rubber stamp so that when something gets sent to our district there's a timeline and individuals who have worked on the document. Timeline of items that the board needs to be aware of addressing any areas that we have to. Update on vestibules. How many completed and how many are not? Have also requested that when any job is started that all components to complete the job were on site so children wouldn't be harmed because something not being completed. Are there larger chrome books that our students could be using? Be sure that anyone looking to run for the BOE knows where to get their packet. The board and administration review any existing contracts with our suppliers and vendors to make sure that we're taking a corrective action plan with any contracts coming due and not getting hit with increases that we're not familiar with. Dr. Rianna can you advise what happens to bond committee once that has come to an end?

New Business –

Vice-President Juarez met with James Guarini and wants to make sure that we're looking for every possible grant that we can get for the school district. Community members can ask their elected officials. It's nice to see that we're getting so many grants through athletics and appreciate those grants being written and receiving them. Thanked Maria Venuto with the farm to school grant.

Trustee Alexandris-Miller stated that she believes that the grant helps get new equipment for the cafeterias, training for the food service staff and a coordinator to get more fresh and local produce.

District Clerk Johnson stated that the PTA council thanks the board of education for their service and presented the group with a food gift certificate.

Vice-President Juarez stated that prior to being a board member and coming to meetings he was afraid to get up and ask questions and what other's in the room would think. Encouraged everyone to ask any questions that they would like that the superintendent can address or that we can get to you on. Never be embarrassed to ask a question.

Public Participation

The following topics were presented during the public participation section on non-agenda or any items.

- How did you arrive at the average value of a Glen Cove house at \$5k? How did you arrive at the average cost per month over 15 years not knowing interest rates? How did you arrive at the average value of the commercial, retail and industrial properties which was not mentioned in your literature regarding the bond and why not?
- Regarding the 8 and 9 period day my understanding and there have been studies done and getting kids to school early in the morning is starting to have a real problem with how they perform. You can't start earlier which means you would have to run an extra period at the end of the day which would affect your after school programs. Unless you compress the other periods and has to be taken into account. While the 8 period day may have seemed tight for the students, it's the real world. You get a job; you get an assignment you have to work with it. You go to college you may or may not get the courses you've registered for if you don't get them on time. I don't see this bad for the students to have an 8 period day but if you want to give them more flexibility and more opportunity that's a good thing too. Don't look at it as a bad thing for students to be in the position they're in now because they're learning how to deal with the real world. If you have to sacrifice something then sooner or later you're going to have to do that even with a 9 period day. If you can keep it in your budgets and projected budgets make it work that's great too.
- Last week on went on tours at Deasy and middle schools. I'd like to remind the

school board that you're the ones that put this bond up. There are seven of you and six schools. One member should be at each school during the tours. If you don't show up to show your support why should the community support this bond? PTA had representation at each of the schools. I know that Trustees Jaures, Field and Alexandris-Miller have been at some of the tours. It's disgraceful to me that a school board member is not at these tours. This is your bond that you put up that you voted for. There are tours at the end of this month and I would hope and expect that each one of you to be at one of those tours. The word is also not getting out about the bond. I don't think the community realizes how much this bond entails I can tell you no one is going on the website to look for information. I printed out each of the projects for each of the schools and have given out about 10 of them because when people ask they think it just painting they do not understand the majority of what's going to be done at the schools. They don't understand in order to get state aide back you must be ADA compliant. If you're not going out talking about this bond and promoting it, it shouldn't just be the superintendent. It has to be the board of education. You put it up to the community. Why are you guys not there? The only ones I have heard talking about it is the bond committee. I know you can't tell people how to vote but you have to give them information so that they make their own decision. The mailing that went out (I never received) but I feel that the listing of all the projects that would be going out at each of the school would've been a better mailing so that everyone is aware of it. Something to give more information. I know that the schools need repairs, I've been sitting where you've been sitting, I'm all for it but you will never get this bond passed if you're not out there promoting it. I like the security upgrades at the schools however after I saw them and thought about it I thought that the security guards are going to be in that little box what are we doing for them when it's hot out? There will be no air circulation and it will be hot.

President Nedbor-Gross mentioned that administration put together the tour dates and it was not discussed with the board in terms of what dates would work with board members unfortunately we did not have that opportunity for that input. It did and did not work out for some board members. They did the best they could if they wanted to attend. I was away the whole week that they had the tours. I hope to make the other two. Administration is coordinating this. I agree that if the board is behind it then board members should be at each one. I can't force it nor can anyone else.

Dr. Rianna stated that more mailings are going out as soon as there translated into Spanish. As far as the projects by building we can have copies made and placed at each of the school buildings. Administration has also gone to speak to the staff that live in the district and work in the schools so that they get a better understanding of all the information as well.


Vice-President Juarez addressed the question about the board attending the tours. The board made a decision for us not to attend the tours do to legal areas that we have to be concerned with. We were advised and took it into consideration. We can attend. I attended as a parent. Regardless if I'm a board member or not. I will not answer anyone's question specifically about the bond or what has to be done. There's a script that administration has to follow so that's consistent with information that's being given out.

- Kindergarten registration is on-going right now. Are there packets including upgrades as to what's going on at Deasy and Gribbin so that they can be educated and pass the information along to their friends? The board was given legal advice not to attend the tours? You're an elected official you should be able to greet and speak to the public. Even if you didn't speak about specifics you're there in support of something that you're asking the community to support.
- You just approved \$50,000 in computer repairs and needing ADA compliance why isn't the money being used for that?

On a motion by Trustee Huggins, seconded by Trustee Sekelsky, the Board unanimously (6-0) moved to adjourn the public meeting at 9:55 pm. Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 27, 2019, Gribbin School at 7:30 pm.

Motion:
Adjourn
Meeting

Respectfully submitted,
By Ida Johnson
District Clerk



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