

*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 May 19, 2016 meeting:

\*Middle School and High School students updated those in attendance about school happenings during the Student Council reports. Jill Citron, PTA Council president, invited everyone to the June Open Council meeting on June 6 in the Middle School Library at 9:30 AM, featuring Joseph Sapienza.

\*The board unanimously voted to grant tenure to 12 Jericho teachers and administrators. The board praised all of their hard work and thanked them for their commitment to the Jericho district and students.

\*Numerous students were honored for their recent accomplishments, including students from the mathematics, science, world languages, English and social studies departments. All photos taken of the students are located on the district website under “News” or by clicking here ---.

\*Girl Scout Troop #3095 recently completed their Bronze Award, which is the highest honor a junior Girl Scout can achieve. As part of the award, the girls raised money to purchase three Buddy Benches for each of Jericho’s three elementary schools. During recess, when a child is feeling left out, he or she should sit on the bench and when other students see someone sitting on the bench, they go and encourage them to play with them. “Be buddies, not bullies” is the motto. Please watch the video the girls created by clicking here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-PcN5Jk1fyw>

\*During the Superintendent’s Report, Hank Grishman thanked the

community for their support during the budget vote on Tuesday. “Jericho’s budget passed with an 87% approval rating. We thank everyone for their support and thank Victor Manuel for his leadership during the budget process.”

\*Also during the Superintendent’s report, Mr. Grishman said that lead testing has been completed at all of Jericho’s schools. Jackson, Seaman, and the Middle School came back completely clear. Cantiague had one sink in a work space test positive and that was immediately shut down. The district is still waiting on the report from the High School.

\*A check in the amount of \$2,844.20 was donated to the Jericho School District to be used to place a filtered water bottle filler and fountain outside by the fields in memory of Adam Singer, a Jericho graduate who lost his battle with cancer in 2014.

\*The board took action on a number of items, including the approval schedules. All information, including the full agenda and minutes, is available on the district website at [http://jerichoschools.org/district/board\\_of\\_education](http://jerichoschools.org/district/board_of_education).

\* The next meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for June 16, 2016 at 7:15 p.m. in the Middle School Library.

*-Bill Ferro, Board President*

*Sent on behalf of the Jericho Board of Education*