

**Glen Cove Board of Education
MEETING
Wednesday, June 5, 2024, 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Glen Cove High School**

Via Livestream: www.glencoveschools.org

I. Opening Ceremony

On a motion by Trustee Lia Leone, second by Trustee Anne Markoulis, the Board of Education unanimously (6/0) entered into executive session at 5:17 pm. Trustee Maureen Jimenez entered executive session late.

On a motion by Trustee Meghan Lavine, second by Trustee Audre Lynn Hurston James, the Board of Education unanimously (7/0) adjourned executive session at 6:43 pm.

A. Salute to Flag

Public session was called to order by President Maria Venuto. Salute to the flag was at 7:01 pm.

B. Roll Call

The following Board of Education members were present:

Maria Elena Venuto
Angela Raimo
Audre Lynn Hurston James
Maureen Jimenez
Meghan Lavine
Lia Leone
Anne Markoulis

II. Approval of Minutes of the Board of Education Meeting

Minutes of May 22, 2024 - Presented by District Clerk

The Board of Education by a vote of 6 in favor and 1 abstention (6-1 - Trustee Lia Leone abstained) moved to approve the minutes of May 22, 2024.

Move: Anne Markoulis Second: Lynn James Status: Passed

Yes: Maria Venuto, Angela Raimo, Maureen Jimenez, Meghan Lavine, Anne Markoulis, Lynn James

Abstain: Lia Leone

III. Committee Reports

No Reports

IV. Superintendent Report

A. Updates

The Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Maria Rianna, changed the order of her updates with having the Tenure and Retirement recognition first.

1. First in Math Recognition

This section of the meeting was moved to the second part of the Superintendent's report.

Dr. Rianna started out by saying that she spent the weekend in Albany working with State Education Officials along with other Superintendents on various issues. On Saturday, however she had a very special appointment with a group of Glen Cove families who she met in Albany because for the second year in a row the district had students who not only did well in a math competition but were number one in their grade across the State of New York. She called the three special second grade students from Deasy school to the stage where she presented them with certificates of recognition. Dr. Rianna explained the complex process and how these students ended up coming in third place. She introduced the families of these students to a round of applause. In closing she went on to mention that the students also made it on Channel 12 News.

A photo of the trio was taken.

Dr. Rianna paused the meeting at 8:20 pm for light refreshments and cupcakes.

2. Tenure and Retirement Recognition

Dr. Rianna introduced Mr. Andrew DiNapoli, Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, who stated that this evening is symbolic as they recognize the different chapters of the careers of our staff members. Mr. DiNapoli called up Dr. Rianna, President Maria Venuto and Vice-President Dr. Raimo who presented the keepsakes to these staff members as they were called up.

The ceremony started with the introduction of each retiree and Mr. DiNapoli making "whereas" remarks about each one. Dr. Rianna presented each retiree with a gift of a red apple paper weight symbolizing a career of many years of dedication and service to the district. A group photo was taken alongside administration and the Board of Education.

Mr. DiNapoli continued the ceremony with the recognition of our tenured staff. He started off by stating what tenure means and reading the goals that a tenured individual must pursue in order to be considered for tenure. Mr. DiNapoli then invited administrators to the podium for them to introduce their tenured staff and say a little about each one. Dr. Rianna presented each individual with a gift of a green apple paper weight symbolizing the beginning of their career at the Glen Cove School District. A group photo was taken alongside administration and the Board of Education.

One large picture was taken of both groups.

Dr. Rianna went onto to introduce one individual who recently left the district to work somewhere else and she remarked he made an extremely significant impact in the Glen Cove School District. Mr. Vinny Iannelli who was in the audience supporting the tenure recognition of his brother was called up to the podium where he also was gifted a red paper weight apple and joined in the group photo.

3. Student Recognition

The Board of Education meeting commenced at 8:30 pm.

Dr. Maria Rianna continued the meeting by mentioning a dedicated gentleman who created the Small City School Districts Association about forty years ago. They honored this gentleman, Mr. Biggerstaff recently and with this honor he chose Dr. Rianna to pick a student in the district who she knows that exemplifies the profile of a student with a big heart, good grades, and is looking to pursue a career in either education or law. Mr. Biggerstaff, who created this organization is a lawyer and fights for funding for New York States small city schools.

Dr. Rianna had a student in mind and discussed her recommendation with Mr. Allen Hudson III, high school principal. Before introducing the student, who advocates so much for his colleagues, family, community as well as he gives so much of his time. This particular student not only qualified for one of the requirements but both. The Superintendent of Schools, called up Cameren Staley to be recognized for the first ever Robert E. Biggerstaff Small City School District Award. He was given a trophy as well as a \$500 scholarship to help with his educational finances. A photo of Cameron and Dr. Rianna was taken.

4. Special Education Highlights

Both Jaymie Alonso and Cortney Farrell from the Special Education Department went over via a PowerPoint presentation the developments and future plans for the department and the district. They went over what they have added at several of the Glen Cove schools, staff trainings, parent universities, future programs and future plans. They addressed questions from the Board of Education. Handouts of the presentation were available to all in attendance.

V. Student Board Member Report

Ava Scagliola, congratulated both the teachers on receiving tenure as well as the retirees. She announced that this is her last meeting and thanked the Board of Education as well as Dr. Rianna for their encouragement, support as well as being so welcoming. She also thanked Ida Johnson, District Clerk, for her help during her time on the board and for being an asset as well. She concluded with wishing everyone a good summer.

VI. Public Participation

This section gives opportunity to residents who wish to raise a question or make a brief statement on agenda items.

Nothing was presented during this section of the meeting.

VII. Instructional Report

On the recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, made by the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum/Instruction/Technology, the Board of Education unanimously (7/0) moved to approve the following:

Move: Meghan Lavine Second: Anne Markoulis Status: Passed

Yes: Maria Venuto, Lia Leone, Angela Raimo, Maureen Jimenez, Meghan Lavine, Anne Markoulis, Lynn James

A. Committee on Special Education

RESOLVED, 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 listed from meetings filed in the Office of Special Education and approves the authorization of funds to implement the special education programs and services.

B. Committee on Preschool Special Education

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the recommendations of the Committee on Preschool Special Education for Initial Placement Programs/Services for cases listed from meetings filed in the Office of Special Education.

VIII. Business Affairs

A. Finance

No Reports

Nothing at this time.

B. Operations

On the recommendation made by the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education unanimously (7/0) moved to approve the following:

Move: Lynn James Second: Meghan Lavine Status: Passed

Yes: Maria Venuto, Lia Leone, Angela Raimo, Maureen Jimenez, Meghan Lavine, Anne Markoulis, Lynn James

1. Continuation of Agreement for Collection of Taxes.

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the continuation of agreement between the Board of Education and the City of Glen Cove for the collection of taxes on real estate for the 2024 – 2025 school year as levied by the Board of Education for school district purposes.

2. Donation - Art Books and Supplies

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts, with gratitude, the donation of a box of art books and various art supplies from Mimi Burnham to the Glen Cove School District's Fine and Performing Arts Department.

3. Excess Fund Transfers

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the transfer of excess fund balance from the 2023 – 2024 fiscal year:

- To Unemployment Insurance Payment Reserve Fund in an amount not to exceed \$100,000
- To Worker's Compensation Reserve Fund in an amount not to exceed \$750,000
- To Tax Certiorari Reserve Fund in an amount not to exceed \$4,500,000
- To Employee Benefit Accrued Liability Fund in an amount not to exceed \$1,500,000
- To Retirement Contribution Reserve Fund in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000
- To Retirement Contribution Reserve Sub-Fund not to exceed 2% of the 2023 – 2024 salaries
- To the Facilities Improvement Reserve not to exceed \$3,500,000
- To the Facilities, Security and Technology Improvement Program 2024 not to exceed 5,000,000

Dr. Maria Rianna thanked the donor.

IX. Personnel

A. Certified

On the recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, made by the Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, the Board of Education unanimously (7/0) moved to approve the following:

Move: Lia Leone Second: Maureen Jimenez Status: Passed

Yes: Maria Venuto, Lia Leone, Angela Raimo, Maureen Jimenez, Meghan Lavine, Anne Markoulis, Lynn James

1. Appointment of Probationary Teacher

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named person, who is properly certified, be appointed as a Probationary Teacher for the Glen Cove City School District as specified below (salary as per contract).

Name: LoBosco, Vincent
Tenure Area: Science Teacher
Building Assignment: Middle School
Schedule & Step: MA, Step 1
Effective: 6/6/24

Certification: Biology 7-12

Comments: Mr. LoBosco is replacing Ms. Gleckler who retired. Mr. LoBosco qualifies for Jarema Credit; therefore, Probationary Appointment is 10/31/23-10/31/27**

*The probationary period expiration dates set forth above are conditional and subject to extension in accordance with law. These probationary appointments are subject to all applicable provisions of the New York Education Law including, without limitation, that, in order to be eligible for tenure, each of the referenced individuals must have received annual composite or overall Education Law §3012-c and/or §3012-d ratings of Highly Effective (HE) or Effective (E) for at least three (3) of the four (4) preceding school years exclusive of any breaks in service. In addition, if the individuals receive an Ineffective (I) composite or overall APPR rating in his/ her final year of probationary service, s/he shall not be eligible for tenure at that time even if s/he has secured HE or E APPR composite or overall ratings in every other year of his/her probationary service.

**Pursuant to Education Law §2509, a teacher who receives a probationary appointment is entitled to [up to] two years of [“Jarema”] credit toward completion of the probationary period, for service rendered as a regular substitute teacher in the tenure area of appointment.

2. Abolition of Position

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following positions in the Glen Cove City School District be abolished as specified below.

RESOLVED, the Board of Education hereby abolishes 1 (one) position in the Physical Education Teacher tenure area;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the employment of the Physical Education Teacher having the least seniority in the system within the tenure area of the position abolished shall be discontinued effective end-of-day June 30, 2024, to wit.

Name: Torchia, Nicolina
Position: Physical Education Teacher

3. Appointment of Fall Coaches

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named persons be appointed as Fall Coaches for the Glen Cove City School District, effective the 2024-2025 school year, as specified below (stipend as per contract).

Name: Smith, Brian
Sport: Varsity Boys Soccer (Head Coach)

Name: Pajuelo, Erick
Sport: Varsity Boys Soccer (Asst. Coach)

Name: Rosario, Hector
Sport: Cross Country (Head Coach)

Name: Sanchez, Taylor
Sport: Cross Country (Asst. Coach)

Name: Tripp, Steven
Sport: Varsity Football (Head Coach)

Name: Rubin, Brett
Sport: Varsity Football (Asst. Coach)

Name: Curatolo, Francesco
Sport: Varsity Football (Asst. Coach)

Name: Falen, Peter
Sport: Varsity Girls Soccer (Head Coach)

Name: Kessel, Kimberly
Sport: Varsity Girls Soccer (Asst. Coach)

Name: MacDonald, Christopher
Sport: Varsity Girls Tennis

Name: Carbone, Matthew
Sport: Varsity Girls Volleyball

Name: Glaviano, Mark
Sport: Varsity Golf

Name: Ashbahian, Melissa
Sport: Kickline

Name: Dottin, Christian
Sport: JV Boys Soccer

Name: Lorenti, Francesca
Sport: JV Cheerleading

Name: Smith, Thomas
Sport: JV Football (Head Coach)

Name: Campione, Michael
Sport: JV Football (Asst. Coach)

Name: DeCarlo, Thomas
Sport: JV Girls Soccer

Name: Chiclacos, Michael
Sport: JV Girls Tennis

Name: Kearnes, George
Sport: JV Girls Volleyball

Name: Bednarski, Peter
Sport: JH Boys Soccer (7th Grade)

Name: Sheridan, Rachel
Sport: JH Boys Soccer (8th Grade)

Name: Levy, Lori
Sport: Cheerleading

Name: Gallo, Anthony
Sport: JH Football (Head Coach)

Name: Checola, Mark
Sport: JH Football (Asst. Coach)

Name: Torchia, Nicolina
Sport: JH Girls Soccer (7th Grade)

Name: King, Amanda
Sport: JH Girls Soccer (8th Grade)

Name: Sullivan, Amanda
Sport: JH Girls Tennis

4. Appointment of Regents Review Class Teacher (High School)

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named person be appointed as a Regents Review Class Teacher effective June 6, 2024 through o/a June 26, 2024 (salary as per contract; up to six weekday (6) hours per educator).

Name: Sotiriadis, John
Course: ENL Earth Science

5. Request for Leave of Absence

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

Name: Segall, Victoria
Position: Elementary Teacher
Building Assignment: Gribbin School
Effective: o/a 8/30/24 – o/a 12/5/24

Comments: Ms. Segall is requesting a leave of absence for maternity/childcare purposes.

Name: Rodriguez, Breacis
Position: ESOL Teacher
Building Assignment: Middle School
Effective: 6/4/24 – 6/26/24

Comments: Ms. Rodriguez is requesting a medical leave of absence.

6. Rescission of Appointments

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the appointment for the following named persons be rescinded as specified below.

Name: Spence, Erin
Position: Permanent Substitute Teacher
Building: Deasy School

Name: Rivera, Alexandra
Position: ENL Earth Science Regents Review Class Teacher
Building: High School

7. Resignation

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

Name: Farrell, Christine
Position: School Counselor
Building Assignment: High School
Effective: 7/3/2024 (end of day)

B. Classified

On the recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, made by the Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, the Board of Education unanimously (7/0) moved to approve the following classified matters as amended:

Move: Angela Raimo Second: Anne Markoulis Status: Passed

Yes: Maria Venuto, Lia Leone, Angela Raimo, Maureen Jimenez, Meghan Lavine, Anne Markoulis, Lynn James

1. Appointment of Security Guard

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named person be appointed provisionally as a Security Guard for the Glen Cove City School District, pending fingerprint clearance and letter of good conduct, as specified below (salary as per contract).

Name: Jones, Stephan
Building Assignment: Districtwide
Effective: o/a 8/28/24

2. 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 effective July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025, as specified below (salary as per contract).

Name: Morrissey, Lorena
Assignment: Reception Desk
Building Assignment: Thayer House
Hours: 25 hours per week

Name: Gambino, Linda
Assignment: Reception Desk
Building Assignment: Thayer House
Hours: 20 hours per

3. Requests for Leave of Absence

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

Name: Burton, Danita
Position: Lunch Monitor
Building Assignment: Middle School
Effective: 5/17/24 –o/a 6/27/24

Comments: Ms. Burton is extending her medical leave of absence.

4. Retirement

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

Name: Venturino, Marguerite
Position: Food Service Helper/Cashier
Building Assignment: High School
Effective: 06/26/2024 (end of day)

5. Resignations

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

Name: Williams Miller, Christine
Position: Kindergarten Monitor
Building Assignment: Deasy School
Effective: 5/22/2024 (end of day)

Comment: Ms. Williams Miller had a change in her resignation date from 5/31/24 to 5/22/24.

Name: Jones, Stephan
Position: 1:1 Monitor
Building Assignment: Connolly School
Effective: 6/30/2024 (end of day)

Comment: Mr. Jones resigned to accept a Security Guard position Districtwide.

Name: Castillo Pedroza, Mireya
Position: 1:1 Monitor
Building Assignment: Landing School
Effective: 6/5/2024 (end of day)

Name: Bastias Rozas, Juan
Position: Lunch Monitor
Building Assignment: Middle School
Effective: 6/5/2024 (end of day)

X. Unfinished Business

Nothing at this time.

XI. New Business

Policy #6700 and #6700-E - First Reading

Mr. Andrew DiNapoli advised the Board of Education on some of the language that was updated on the policy.

XII. Board Comments

Trustee Lynn James stated that our student representative, Ava Scagliola, is going into Cornell and her son just graduated from Cornell. So, we have one Glen Cove High School graduate leaving Cornell and another Glen Cove High School graduate entering Cornell which is the coolest thing in the world.

Trustee Anne Markoulis commented that on May 30th the high school hosted its 9th-12th grade awards ceremony. Trustee Markoulis stated that she is very proud of each and every one of these students and she went on to say that yesterday she attended the athletics awards ceremony where she also mentioned that we have amazing students. She thanked the high school for the invitation as it was a pleasure being there.

XIII. Public Participation

This section gives opportunity to residents who wish to raise a question or make a brief statement on matters including, but limited to, agenda items.

The meeting came to an abrupt pause due to a medical emergency.

XIV. Executive Session (if necessary)

XV. Adjournment

The Board of Education unanimously (7/0) moved to adjourn public session at 9:07 pm. The next Board of Education meeting is on Thursday, June 20, 2024 at 7:30 pm in the high school auditorium.

The Board of Education unanimously (7/0) move to adjourn public session at 9:07pm

Move: Angela Raimo Second: Lia Leone Status: Passed

Yes: Maria Venuto, Lia Leone, Angela Raimo, Maureen Jimenez, Meghan Lavine, Anne Markoulis, Lynn James

Respectfully submitted by
Ida Johnson
District Clerk _____
Ida Johnson, District Clerk