

*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 August 2, 2024 meeting:

\*In the Superintendent's Report, Hank Grishman said the Board of Education and Jericho School District sent a letter regarding Mixed Competition to the Chancellor and the Commissioner at the State Education Department. He also said that every state association has communicated opposition to this as well. The decision is still in discussions within the Department of Education.

\*Also, Hank explained that almost every summer, the local laborer's union pickets our site with false information about the contractors we are using and questioning the safety of the work being done. This is because one or more of our sub-contractors are using nonunion workers but still paying prevailing union wages. This is an issue out of our control. All of the construction projects are continually reviewed by both our architect and our construction management company to insure full compliance with all safety protocols and that the approved plans are fully implemented.

\*Altaris, our security company, is coming to a future meeting to discuss security updates.

\*Victor Manuel gave a construction update on the many projects happening throughout the district.

\*The Middle School and High School summer programs, that were funded with Covid funding, ended earlier this week. It was a great success.

\* The Board set the tax levy at \$115,460,399.

\*The Board adopted the 2024-2026 Special Education Plan.

\*The Director of Technology title was abolished and the title of Assistant to the Superintendent for Technology, Grants and Research was created. Patrick Fogarty was named to the new title.

\*The Board tabled policy #7132 - Non-Resident Students.

\*The Board voted to appoint Daria Hagemeyer as Curriculum Associate for 6-12th Grade Pupil Personnel Services, and David Mevs as Interim High School Assistant Principal.

\*The board took action on a number of items, including approving a stipulation and the approval of schedules. All information, including the full agenda and minutes, is available on the district website or by clicking here: [www.jerichoschools.org/district-nav-main/board-of-education](http://www.jerichoschools.org/district-nav-main/board-of-education)

\*The Board Meeting in its entirety is available here:  
<https://youtube.com/live/kxpbePi8TZY?feature=share>

\*The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for Thursday, September 26, 2024 at 7:30 PM in the Middle School Library.

*-Christopher M. Foresto, Board President  
Sent on behalf of the Jericho Board of Education*