

**Glen Cove Board of Education
MEETING
Wednesday, December 11, 2024, 7:30 pm - 9:00 pm
Glen Cove High School**

Via Livestream: www.glencoveschools.org

I. Opening Ceremony

On a motion by Trustee Anne Markoulis, second by Trustee Maureen Jimenez, the Board of Education unanimously (6/0) entered into executive session at 6:01 pm.

On a motion by Trustee Lia Leone, second by Vice-President Angela Raimo, the Board of Education unanimously (6/0) adjourned executive session at 7:32 pm.

A. Salute to Flag

Public session was called to order by President Maria Venuto. Salute to the flag was at 7:40 pm.

B. Roll Call

The following Board of Education members were present:

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

Absent:
Meghan Lavine

II. Approval of Minutes of the Board of Education Meeting

Minutes of November 20, 2024 - Presented by District Clerk

The Board of Education unanimously (6/0) moved to approve the minutes of November 20, 2024.

Move: Maureen Jimenez Second: Lia Leone Status: Passed

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

III. Committee Reports

A. Audit Committee

1. Maureen Jimenez
2. Meghan Lavine
3. Angela Raimo

No report at this time.

B. Policy Committee

1. Lynn James
2. Anne Markoulis
3. Lia Leone

Mr. Andrew DiNapoli reported.

C. Education Committee

1. Maureen Jimenez
2. Lia Leone
3. Anne Markoulis

Dr. Alexa Doeschner reported.

D. Facilities Report

Victoria Galante

Ms. Theresa Kahn, new Assistant Superintendent of Business, reported.

E. Board President's Report - Superintendent Search Update

President Maria Venuto provided an update on the progress of the search for the next Superintendent of Schools. She shared that the Superintendent's job description and calls for applications have been posted on various platforms, including the Glen Cove Schools website and the District Wise search firm website.

The district has begun collecting resumes and is moving forward with the process. In the coming months, there will be opportunities for community members to participate in forums and share their opinions, discussing what they hope to see in the next Superintendent.

IV. Superintendent Report

A. Updates

Dr. Maria Rianna introduced Ms. Sack, who along with some of her middle school students, performed by singing holiday cheer to those in attendance.

Dr. Rianna also invited everyone to look at our calendar and check to see all our concerts going on throughout the district.

1. Holiday Performance

Ms. Sack, accompanied by a group of her middle school students, performed a selection of holiday music for everyone in attendance.

Dr. Rianna thanked the middle school group for showing up at the last minute to perform for everyone. She also acknowledged that a number of these students also participated in helping our K-2 students with coding.

V. Student Board Member Report

Ms. Isabel Basil shared updates on exciting events and achievements within the high school community.

This past Saturday, the high school participated in the annual tree lighting ceremony, featuring performances by the orchestra, band, chorus, and kickline. The National Art Honor Society has also been spreading holiday cheer by creating festive, winter-themed posters now displayed in the downtown police booth.

Looking ahead, members of the World Language Honor Society will embark on a cultural trip this Friday to the Tenement Museum, followed by a visit to Little Italy. This experience aims to deepen their understanding of language, culture, and history.

The community is also celebrating the outstanding accomplishments of its students. Enry Hernandez in earning All-American honors for soccer and Shye Roberts who placed second in *The Voice* competition. She continues to inspire all with her incredible talent, and the school eagerly anticipates seeing where her journey leads. Additionally, the English Honor Society hosted a book fair, donating free books to local community members.

Next week, students and staff will join in the fun of holiday spirit week as well as the school's winter concerts.

VI. Public Participation

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

No questions or comments were addressed 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 (5/0) moved to approve the following (Trustee Maureen Jimenez stepped out during this section of the meeting):

Move: Anne Markoulis Second: Angela Raimo Status: Passed

Yes: Maria Venuto, Lia Leone, Angela Raimo, 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

On the recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, made by the Assistant Superintendent for Business, the Board of Education unanimously (6/0) moved to approve the following:

Move: Anne Markoulis Second: Lynn James Status: Passed

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

1. Treasurer's Report - Month of October

2. Financial Reports

a. Bank Reconciliations - Month of October

- b. Revenue Budget Status Report - Month of October
- c. Appropriation Budget Status Report - Month of October
- d. Register of Bills - Month of October
- e. Check Registers - Month of October

B. Operations

On the recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, made by the Assistant Superintendent of Business, the Board of Education unanimously (6/0) moved to approve the following:

Move: Lia Leone Second: Maureen Jimenez Status: Passed

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

1. Corrective Action Plan

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves a motion to accept the Corrective Action Plan as developed in conjunction with the external audit for the school year ending June 30, 2024, which will be implemented during the 2024-2025 school year.

2. Tax Certiorari

Whereas certiorari proceedings have been brought on behalf of the following and:

Whereas it is deemed to be in the best interest of the City School District of Glen Cove to resolve such proceedings:

Now, therefore be it resolved that the City School District of Glen Cove agrees to pay to the attorney of the following in full settlement. This resolution is made under the express understanding that the City of Glen Cove has agreed to pay any and all interest associated with the following hearing officer decisions, Supreme Court stipulations of settlements and certiorari claims:

By Forchelli Deegan Terrana LLP		
LISA GARCIA SEC 30 BLK 90 LOTS 17,18 TAX YEARS 2021/22-2023/24 \$26,198.00		
Breakdown of Total Due		
First Payment	Due 10/31/2024	\$13,099.00
Second Payment	Due 10/31/2025	\$13,099.00
Total Certioraris Due :		\$26,198.00

3. Budget Transfers

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves the 2024-2025 budget transfers.

BUDGET TRANSFER(S)			
Account Code	Account Name	Transfer In	Transfer Out
A2110.200.08 MUI	Music Equipment	\$25,000.00	
A2110.120.08	Salaries - HS		\$25,000.00
TOTAL		\$25,000.00	\$25,000.00

To transfer funds for partial payment of piano for the high school. Balance coming from Education Foundation.

4. Field Trip - Spain (Middle School)

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the middle school field trip to Spain from April 11, 2025 to April 19, 2025 or April 12, 2025 to April 20, 2025 as outlined on the paperwork filed in the middle school.

5. Field Trip - Spain (High School)

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the high school field trip to Spain from April 11, 2025 to April 19, 2025 or April 12, 2025 to April 20, 2025 as outlined on the paperwork filed in the high school.

6. Bid Award

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves a motion to accept and award the following bids received on November 20, 2024:

This work is related to the 2022 Bond Issue – Phase 2
SED # 28-01-00-01-0-010-035 Glen Cove High School (22 BI-P2)

General Construction:

JNH Construction Group, Inc. \$4,227,000.00

Plumbing Reconstruction:

Ambrosio & Company, Inc. \$1,245,000.00

HVAC Reconstruction:

Eastern Industrial Services of NY, Inc. \$1,822,000.00

Electrical Reconstruction:

Polaris Electrical Construction Corp. \$2,569,337.00

Kitchen Equipment:

TriMark Foodservice Equipment \$1,503,235.00

Classroom Casework:

H & E Equipment Corp

Leonard Peterson Casework \$1,309,590.87

Powder Coated Metal Casework \$1,040,437.38

Total All Recommended Awards \$15,345,000.25

7. Donation - Booster Club

8. Excessing of Equipment

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the excessing of the obsolete equipment listed below.

- 20170279 – Gribbin School Washing Machine

9. Donation - Television

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts, with gratitude, a donation of a television from the DiMaggio family to the Glen Cove High School.

10. Donation - Chairs

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts, with gratitude, a donation of 2 Mid Century Modern Chairs from FAME GC to the Glen Cove High School TV Studio Classroom.

11. Donation - Glen Cove Education Foundation

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts, with gratitude, the donation \$25,000 from the Glen Cove Education Foundation to be used for the purchase of a new piano for the Glen Cove High School auditorium.

Both Dr. Rianna and President Venuto acknowledged all the donors individually and thanked them their contributions to the district.

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 (6/0) moved to approve the following certified matters:

Move: Anne Markoulis Second: Lynn James Status: Passed

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

1. Appointment of Regents Review Class Teachers (High School)

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named persons be appointed as Regents Review Class Teachers effective o/a December 12, 2024 through January 24, 2025 (salary as per contract).

Name: Pavlovich, Lora
Course: English Regents Exam
Hours: Up to 10 Hours

Name: Luxenberg, Jennifer
Course: US History Regents Exam
Hours: Up to 10 Hours

Name: O'Donnell, Christopher
Course: Global History Regents Exam
Hours: Up to 10 Hours

Name: Curatolo, Frank
Course: Algebra I Regents Exam
Hours: Up to 10 Hours

Name: Amador-Silva, Nicole
Course: Algebra I Regents Exam
Hours: Up to 10 Hours

Name: Sanchez, Taylor
Course: Geometry Regents Exam
Hours: Up to 10 Hours

Name: Feinstein, Matthew
Course: Algebra II Regents Exam
Hours: Up to 5 Hours

Name: Rubin, Brett
Course: Algebra II Regents Exam
Hours: Up to 5 Hours

Name: Kocienda, Steve
Course: Living Environment Regents Exam
Hours: Up to 20 Hours

Name: Rivera, Alexandra
Course: Living Environment ENL Regents Exam
Hours: Up to 20 Hours

Name: Bilder, Zachary
Course: Physical Setting/Earth Science Regents Exam
Hours: Up to 10 Hours

Name: Smith, Brian
Course: Physical Setting/Earth Science Regents Exam
Hours: Up to 10 Hours

Name: Elezi, Samantha
Course: Chemistry Regents Exam
Hours: Up to 10 Hours

Name: Kolczynski, James
Course: Physics Regents Exam
Hours: Up to 3 Hours

Name: Flores, Arturo
Course: ENL Global History Regents Exam
Hours: Up to 10 Hours

Name: Francisco Rodriguez, Domifer
Course: OHM – Spanish Exam
Hours: Up to 10 Hours

Name: Mattia, Michelle
Course: OHM – Italian Exam
Hours: Up to 10 Hours

2. Appointment of Permanent Substitute Teachers

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named persons be appointed as Permanent Substitute Teachers for the Glen Cove City School District effective the 2024 -2025 school year, as specified below (salary - \$150/day; no benefits).

Name: Reyes, Maria
Certification: CED - Working towards certification
Building Assignment: Deasy School
Effective: o/a 12/12/24

Name: Perry, Charles
Certification: TESOL - Working towards certification
Building Assignment: Deasy School
Effective: o/a 12/12/24

3. Appointment of Credit Recovery Teachers

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named persons be appointed as Credit Recovery Teachers, effective o/a December 16, 2024 (salary as per contract; not to exceed 35 total hours).

Caesar-Quaye, Liana
Caracciolo, Rachel

4. Appointment of Driver's Education Teacher

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named person be appointed as a Driver's Education Teacher for the Glen Cove City School District effective o/a December 12, 2024- o/a June 27, 2025 as specified below (salary as per contract).

Phillip, Samara

5. Requests 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: Kenney, Kirsten
Position: Math Teacher
Building Assignment: Middle School
Effective: 1/7/25-o/a 2/24/25

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

Name: Arnone, Michael
Position: Elementary Teacher
Building Assignment: Connolly School
Effective: 12/13/24-o/a 3/1/25

B. Classified

On the recommendation by the Superintendent of Schools, made by the Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources, the Board of Education unanimously (6/0) moved to approve the following classified matters as amended:

Move: Lia Leone Second: Maureen Jimenez Status: Passed

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

1. Change in Status

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

Name: Schieferstein, Doreen
Position: Lunch Monitor
From: 10 hours a week
To: 12.5 hours a week
Effective: 12/12/24

Name: Zapata Cubillos, Nadia
Position: Food Service Helper
From: 27.5 hours a week
To: 25 hours a week
Effective: 12/12/24

Name: Espino, Brianna
Position: Compliance Monitor
From: 17.7 hours a week

To: 29.5 hours a week
Effective: 12/16/24

2. 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: Busardo, Mary Ellen
Position: School Nurse
Building Assignment: Landing
Effective: 12/13/24 (end of day)

X. Unfinished Business

Nothing reported at this time.

XI. New Business

1. Presenting Petition to Board of Education

A letter along with a petition with over 100 signatures was presented to the Board of Education regarding dedicating the high school varsity baseball field after John Dolecki.

The Board of Education formed the following sub-committee of the Board with Trustees Lia Leone, Maureen Jimenez and Anne Markoulis who will move forward with following board policy in considering the petition set forth to the Board of Education.

XII. Board Comments

Trustee Anne Markoulis mentioned that over the last few years the Board of Education along with community members have supported her in the collection of gift cards for district students in need. She thanked everyone for their contribution where she was able to obtain 83 gift cards that will be divided between our 6 schools. Both the Board President and Vice-President will deliver the gift cards to each of the six schools.

Dr. Rianna also thanked each of the board members for supporting our students.

Trustee Lia Leone thanked Trustee Anne Markoulis for organizing it all. President Maria Venuto shared that she and Vice-President Angela Raimo had the opportunity to attend Dr. Rianna's annual luncheon with students. The event also included Student Board Member Isabel Basil and Principal Hudson. During the luncheon, students raised various topics and concerns, which President Venuto found insightful. She expressed hope for continued open dialogue and is eager to see how some of these ideas and discussions progress moving forward.

Dr. Maria Rianna requested Ms. Basil to share with the student body that the district is actively working on some of the proposed changes and concerns discussed during the meeting. She expressed hope that several of these concerns will be addressed and implemented before the end of the year, allowing the senior class to see the outcomes before they graduate.

Trustee Lia Leone encouraged everyone to check the school website calendar for upcoming concerts, highlighting the opportunity to see the students showcase their incredible musical and vocal talents. Some performances have already happened.

Vice-President Angela Raimo congratulated Shye Roberts on coming in second place on The Voice. It was incredible. Vice-President Raimo felt that Ms. Roberts should've won and we should all be proud of her.

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.

Members of the audience addressed the Board of Education with questions, concerns and comments. All of which were acknowledged.

XIV. Executive Session (if necessary)

XV. Adjournment

The Board of Education unanimously (6/0) moved to adjourn public session at 8:28 pm. Our next Board of Education meeting will be on January 8, 2025 in the High School Auditorium at 7:30 pm.

Move: Lia Leone Second: Maureen Jimenez Status: Passed

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

Respectfully submitted by:
Ida Johnson
District Clerk _____
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