

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 February 11, 2025 meeting:

*Ratner-Seaman Elementary School hosted a curriculum fair before the meeting and students spoke under the topic “Dare to Dream.” The cafeteria was decorated with dreams that the parents wrote for their children.

*The district hired Brett Kornblum as the Curriculum Associate for Health, Physical Education, and Athletics, effective July 1. Hank Grishman said he has big shoes to fill with John Mankowich retiring, but he was excited to welcome Brett and knows he will do a great job.

*Middle School and High School students updated those in attendance about school happenings during the Student Council reports.

*Aileen Gingold, PTA Council President, gave the PTA report and updated everyone on PTA happenings within each unit.

*Assistant Superintendent for Business Affairs Victor Manuel presented Budget #2 and Capital Plan, which is available to review here: <https://www.jerichoschools.org/departments/business-and-finance>

*During the Superintendent’s Report, Hank Grishman said that the recent Disney trip was a great success.

*Hank Grishman also thanked all those that put time and effort into preparing the budget and participating in the budget presentations and thanked the administrators for the work that they do.

*The board discussed re-naming the Cantiague Elementary School after Hank Grishman and community input was and is encouraged. The district’s attorney said in order to change the name of a building, the Board needs to vote on a resolution. The Board encourages people to continue to email BOE@jerichoschools.org with comments and a discussion and resolution will be added to the March agenda.

*Policy #7316, Student Use of Personal Technology, was approved as amended. Information will be forthcoming from building principals.

*The Board authorized an MOA (contract) with the Jericho Educational Administrators Association (Principals and Assistant Principals) and with the Jericho Curriculum Associates Association.

*The board executed an employment agreement with John Gordon, Director of Security.

*The board took action on a number of items, including the approval of schedules. All information, including the full agenda and minutes, is available on the district website or by clicking here: <https://www.jerichoschools.org/district-nav-main/board-of-education>

*The Board Meeting in its entirety is available here: <https://youtube.com/live/mrq9rYoWV4M>

*The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for Thursday, March 20, 2025 at 7:30 PM in the MS Library and will be streamed. Additionally, Budget Workshop #3 is March 6 at 7 PM in the MS Library, and the Budget Review Meeting is March 13, 2025 at 7 PM in the MS Library. Please note, these meeting dates are different from what is printed on the district calendar.

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