

Jericho Elementary School Board Meeting Minutes
February 10, 2010

Board members present: Karen Glitman, Susan Lillich, Craig Noble, and Kathleen Miglorie

Administration present: John Alberghini and Vicki Graf

Others present: Laura Zambarano, Edye Graning, John LeBourreau, Sean Luitjens, Nancy MacDonald, Kim Burroughs, Wayne Segear, Brett DiVenere, Blythe Leonard, and Beverly White

School Vision

To provide a quality education to all students:

- Celebrating diversity;
- Forming a strong academic foundation;
- Understanding their local community and environment;
- Nurturing their innate curiosity;

So they can participate in our democratic society and global community. We do this in a collegial and innovative environment.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

1. *Comments from community members on items not on the agenda.* None.

2. *Jericho Youth Baseball League.* The Board heard from the Jericho Youth Baseball League who would like to put in two new dugouts. The League will be responsible for the maintenance. Craig Noble made a motion to approve the installation of two new dugouts. Susan Lillich seconded the motion and the motion carried.

3. *Master Grounds Update.* PIE is in the process of obtaining good cost estimates from two landscape architects and is looking for continued support on the concept of the Master Grounds Plan. Kathleen Miglorie made a motion to confirm that the Board continues to support the concepts of the Master Plan so that PIE can move forward. Craig Noble seconded the motion and the motion carried.

4. *Math Program Presentation.* The math presentation was moved to the March meeting.

5. *Mansfield Academy Presentation.* Blythe Leonard, Beverly White and Brett DiVenere presented a Power Point presentation related to Mansfield Academy. Mansfield Academy is currently serving 8 students and would like the Board to consider allowing them to move to JES. A move to one of the elementary school would give Mansfield Academy a savings of \$18,000 in rent and approximately \$1,200 in utilities. There was a discussion involving both the community members and the Board and the Board decided to do a community forum from 6-7 p.m. before the April meeting to give the community a chance to comment on this matter before making a decision.

6. *Consent Agenda.* Warrants were presented in the amount of \$17,745.75. Craig Noble made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Susan Lillich seconded the motion and the motion carried. Karen Glitman removed the Principal's Report from the Consent Agenda so that it could be discussed further.
7. *Principal's Report.* Vicki Graf reported to the Board regarding the NECAP scores recently received. Vicki noted that JES has stayed constant but CESU has made larger advances. Vicki will continue to review the results and give the Board an update on some possible causes and remedies.
8. *Superintendent's Report.* John Alberghini gave the Board an update on the Governance study. He stated that it is a hot topic in the legislature this year. John also discussed the matter of the bus driver who was transporting the hockey team to Woodstock and was charged with DUI. John indicated that the school district conducts criminal records checks and reference checks but that in this case the records check which the district received was incomplete. The district also checks employment references and was told that this individual was worthy of a second chance. The district is currently looking at the hiring process.
9. *Planning for the Annual Meeting.* The Board discussed the annual meeting and their presentation. The JES Board Meeting begins at 1:00 p.m. on March 2, 2010.
10. *Other Business.* Next meeting scheduled for March 11, 2010 at MMUHS, beginning at 6:30 p.m.
11. *Executive Session.* Craig Noble made a motion to adjourn to executive session at 9:55 p.m. to discuss negotiations and personnel. Susan Lillich seconded the motion and the motion carried.

A motion was made to adjourn from executive session and adjourn the meeting. Seconded and approved. The meeting adjourned at 10:40 p.m.

Draft until approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Rita D. Gordon