

Board of Education Regular Meeting
 Glen Cove City School District
 Landing School Gym
 Wednesday, March 27, 2019
 Executive Session – 6:15 pm
 Regular Meeting – Board of Education to Convene
 Streamed live at glencove.k12.ny.us

Members Present: Ms. Gail Nedbor-Gross (arrived 6:27 PM), Mr. Alexander Juarez, Mr. David Huggins, Ms. Monica Alexandris-Miller, Ms. Rosemarie Sekelsky, Ms. Mary Murphy

Absent: Mr. Robert Field

Also Present: Dr. Maria Rianna, Dr. Michael Israel, Ms. Victoria Galante

Attendees: About 24 members in the audience

On motion by Trustee Alexandris-Miller, seconded by Trustee Huggins, the Board unanimously (6/0) entered into executive session at 6:21 pm. On a motion by Trustee Sekelsky seconded by Trustee Juarez the Board unanimously (6/0) adjourned executive session at 7:24 pm.

Executive Session

The meeting was called to order by the Board President, Pledge of Allegiance, and a moment of silence for our troops. Roll call was taken, as noted above at 7:34 pm.

Roll Call:
Call to Order

Approval of Minutes of the Board of Education Meeting - Presented by District Clerk -
 On a motion by Trustee Sekelsky, seconded by Trustee Murphy, the Board unanimously (6/0) moved to approve the minutes of the Board of Education meetings of March 13, 2019.

Approved :
Minutes of BOE
Meeting of
March 13, 2019

Committee Reports

Audit Committee – waiting on the draft risk assessment report from the internal auditors that was done last month. Should be available sometime in April.

Policy Committee – next meeting scheduled for April 4th.

Facilities Update – Trustee Huggins read the following summary:

1. HS Fire Alarm System

The new fire alarm system installation is in progress:

- wiring and boxes installation is complete on the second floor
- wiring and boxes installation is about 90% complete on the first floor
- contractor started programming the system

2. Playground Cameras

- Deasy and Landing School – installation is in progress

3. Security Upgrades:

A. Safety Vestibules

- The High School, Middle School, Connolly, Deasy and Landing Schools vestibules are installed
- Access controls installation is in progress
- Gribbin School- parts arrived, installation is scheduled for April recess, hallway slab modification scheduled for April recess

B. Lockdown Systems Capital Security Upgrades (alarm pull stations; interior and exterior strobe lights)

- Connolly school- PA system modification is complete, lock down system integration and testing is scheduled for week of April 1st
- Deasy school- fixtures installation is complete, system integration and testing scheduled for week of April 1st
- Middle School- fixtures installation is in progress

4. MS Chair lift installation:

- Lift installation starts today, March 27, 2019

5. Plumbing repairs:

- Shop & Tennis courts building - water shut off valves were replaced

6. DW NYSIR inspection - was conducted on March 26, 2019. Report with recommendations for improvement will be generated

Trustee Juarez also mentioned that the cinderblock area outside of the Deasy building was repaired.

Superintendent's Report - Updates:

Math Presentation – Dr. Israel introduced Ms. Shannon who did a thorough presentation on the math curriculum in the district. Copies of the presentation were provided to all in attendance and questions were addressed by the board.

NFHS Network Presentation – Mr. Peter Cardone director of health, physical education & athletics presented on a grant that he was able to obtain two automated live streaming machines to be used at our sporting events. The system is called Pixellot.

Dr. Rianna thanked Mr. Cardone for the over \$100K worth of donations in equipment he has gotten for the athletic department.

Trustee Huggins left the public meeting at 8:20 pm.

2019-2020 Budget Presentation – Presentation was not given at this time as the state budget numbers have not been made available.

Dr. Rianna mentioned that she'll be leaving tomorrow for Albany. She mentioned that for the last several months she's been working with four other school districts known as the Harmed Suburban Five. This group has been looking at foundation aide and Glen Cove has only received 44% of aide. Significant head way has been made with our senators and assemblymen. Their looking at a tier that will allow Glen Cove to go to 60% next year and fazing in fully over the next three years. Video clips of this have been seen on Channel 7 and other news media as well as on the web. We've been working very hard to push our legislators in ensuring that this is not negotiated out, instead stays within the budget and approved. There's a petition so if you haven't signed it yet it's on the website and we're trying to get 5000 signatures as well as calling your local legislators. It will be additional monies to the district that can be utilized in a number of ways including the tax levy. Yesterday I went down to room 123 at the high school and saw 60 second graders with the chemistry teacher doing experiments on different types of matter. The learning across districts and the meaning in learning, those children are never going to forget that experience.

Dr. Rianna also mentioned that they have a bond workshop on April 3rd that is opened to the public and an open forum on April 8th.

President Nedbor-Gross stated that they look to hear from the community if they can attend the open forum if you won't be able to attend we'll be opening up at the end of certain board meetings an open discussion regarding some of the projects that have been proposed in our school district. President Nedbor-Gross also mentioned the assurance of discontinuance that was approved about a month ago and we're waiting on dates for objectives that had to be reached.

Trustee Juarez stated that the workshops should be live streamed so that you can see us working together.

Dr. Rianna mentioned that the timelines for the assurance of discontinuance was provided to the board and she will provide the dates in the board's weekly update that will correspond with the timelines.

Public Participation

The following topics were presented during the public participation section on agenda items only.

- Thank you on commenting on the progress made to date on my questions from two weeks ago. I asked at the last meeting what the board's vision and strategy is for bringing effective repairs and capital improvements to the district. Ms. Nedbor-Gross you mentioned that this is something that people have been aware of including the facilities committee, your involvement, Mr. Huggins involvement. I appreciate at the last meeting that the board does not micro-manage the administration but it's up to the board to come up with a vision and a strategy and continually monitor the execution of such. I would like to hear what your vision and strategy is to address the need for these capital improvements. I would also like some commentary tonight on a little more follow up from the discussion on the bond workshops. You mentioned that you're going to be seeking inputs from all facets of the community and everyone in the community would be able to comment. Specifically what are you are doing about that? The input I heard on the street and talked about the bond is that there's a lack of trust in Glen Cove. Lack of trust at the city level, the board of education. What do you specifically think the board of education can do as part of that outreach? What are you doing to invite people to the table? What are we doing with the bond committee that was formed 18 months ago and has worked on this? Are we using that institutional knowledge of these individuals and what role will they play? What are we doing to re-engage the areas of the community that feel that they were not involved or areas of the community who don't have any touches with the school district? What are we doing to keep engaged?

Trustee Juarez stated that he's asked for this to live streamed and show what we're doing. A lot of your questions could've been answered if the workshops were live streamed. I've stated that I'm not an expert in this field and I'm not going to know what to do. I'm not going to know how to put these tier packages together. I know that I need the help from the architect and the administrators and they say to me this is what we could put together and how we could work it out. There is no bond committee. The bond committee was asked to do a task when their finds were submitted to the superintendent the bond committee was done. If you want a 2019 bond committee it has to be formed. Someone once asked me what would you want more money or trust? I can always make more money. Trust is what I'm trying to accomplish for this group, our community and our kids. If you have a question and don't want to ask it in front of everyone there's a phone number setup and leave your question, you can email the board. I will do whatever I have to do. I grew up in this community, I ate government cheese and I'm not ashamed of it. Has anyone ever considered section 8 people those are people who live on a fixed income. How would this bond affect them? They would have to make it up somehow. There's a whole area. The former bond committee brings great knowledge and they've really helped and the information should be available to everyone. You guys run the board, the board works for the district and the superintendent works for the board of education. You have a lot of power. Put the pressure on this board and help us do this as a community, not divided.

Trustee Alexandris-Miller clarified that the bond committee no longer exists. It was formed, did a lot of research, deliberated and did a lot of hard work and presented a proposal to the board which was adopted by the board and put out for a vote. We now have this bond that we want to put out a new bond that hopefully will be more successful. In working out what should be in the next bond the board has invited the members of the former bond committee to sit at the table with us during these work sessions so that we can take advantage of their expertise as they've seen every nook and cranny of the buildings and have spent hours talking about it with the architect.

President Nedbor-Gross mentioned that the boards' responsibility now, being that the bond committee is dissolved, is for any future bond opportunities as well as other improvements to the district. Discussions have been made during the years and we've been doing this by adding various projects into the budget. We're also looking to create a capital improvement account and if approved the use of those funds will be used towards a particular project. A lot of the trust has to do with the outreach and hearing from the community members and what their means might be. A lot more outreach needs to be

done and maybe it shouldn't be as rushed as it was possibly. The board has to agree as a group to move into that direction. I agree with Trustee Juarez about live streaming the future workshops so that any community member can go back and find out what did happen.

Trustee Murphy stated that at a meeting earlier this week the former bond committee had worked over the weekend and put together things that they thought might be possible for the board to work on and modify the budget and make it more pliable to the community. We have taken that information and turned it over to the architect who will work on that for us and when we meet again next week we can talk about more specifics. Thanked to former bond committee for doing that.

- I find it very objectionable for a board member to override the president of the board and jump in and speak without asking. The board president recognizes the board speakers. You don't just shoot your mouth off because you have something to say, you do it in an organized and polite way. I'm tired of the way this has been going on. I looked at the family policy on the agenda tonight and I still don't see the television thing gone. There's more than television that disrupts the children and there's not statement that the parents have to be expecting to be involved in the parent-teacher meetings. Who reviews the math modules that go onto the chrome books? When I look at a math module that has two spelling errors that makes the question unanswerable. If the teacher is allowing that type of error go out it's their fault; if the school is letting it come in without reviewing it, it makes the school look very bad. On the analog clocks, you need to that sooner in the schools. You cannot tell time passing with a digital clock, you can't estimate the amount of time left or the amount of time passed unless you have a visual concept.
- Thanked Ms. Shannon for her presentation and regarding the dream box being used in the lower grades. How much research goes into these companies that we're buying product from? Regarding the company's social responsibility as to who's profiting off of this. Is it recommended by the state education department?
- The question came up at the last meeting about why the bond failed? There are many reasons for the lack of trust from the community. When you see a school operating and the buildings aren't closed because there in dangerous conditions and you see a bond proposed for 85 million dollars plus interest making it over 120 million. The people in the community have a lot of questions why that should be the case. Then they see numbers like only \$36.53 a month with an average home value of \$500k. If you ask people around town no one on Highland Road, Red Spring Lane, Morgan Island, Lattingtown Road and many others don't own a house worth \$500k. If you asked Charles of Glen Cove what he pays in property taxes its \$70k. That has nothing to do with \$36.53 a month. If you ask many other people in town why the bond failed they'll give you the answer, you don't need a survey. People are a little upset about seeing an architect who advocates spending a million three hundred fifty thousand dollars in turf field when research about turf field is indicative of safety in those turf fields. A four million dollar fee on an architect gets some people upset. Abraham Lincoln said once upon a time "that you can fool all the people some of the time and you can fool some of the people all of the time, but you can't fool all the people all of the time". You have to figure out a way to get back to the community and figure out how to do what you need to do in these buildings not the wish list, the need list. I have a whole list of things that I would like to present to you that I've drawn up about how do this if you're interested.
- Every time I've gone on-line to sign the petition for the Harmed Suburban Five it pops up in Spanish and I don't speak Spanish and I don't know where to sign my name on that. When we get the money from the Harmed Suburban Five can some of that money be used towards the bond?
- I'd like to state that the lack of trust is something that stemmed from years back when people would ask questions at board meetings and get ridiculous answers or no answers because superintendent's back then did not care or thought we were all fools and didn't deserve other answers and wouldn't look into anything. So almost no one trusted anyone and this was the last two superintendents prior to Dr. Rianna from my personal knowledge. People asked that during some of the building tours that I attended and were given good answers and took what they heard or seemed to take what they heard and considered it and asked further

questions. The lack of openness and the fact of questions answered about the bond issue were all answered truthfully and factually helped build trust. It is my opinion that it does not help trust build when people hear facts that are not correct. For instance, if people did not have a \$500k assessed house were not going to be paying +\$36 a month per year for the length of time of the bond. Some years it would be less and some years it would be more. That goes for houses that go for less than \$500k and more than \$500k. Trustee Juarez when you mentioned section 8 housing, there rent is based on their income and that is not going to go up if there income has not increased so it has nothing to do with them paying more if the bond passed or is put up again. It doesn't affect them.

- I moved to Glen Cove nearly two years ago and I learned almost immediately that there was a bond committee and that there was work that needed to be done at the tennis courts and on the schools. Perhaps it's my personality, or that I grew up in Glen Cove and have ties to Glen Cove, or that I have three kids in the district. I gave feedback to the committee. I appreciate that that experience is unique and I would consider myself a reasonable person and I'm happy to offer as a parent to this board to be involved in any outreach efforts. I think it's interesting that there are folks who have opinions on line items of the bond and are only shared on Facebook or with discrete groups. I agree with anyone that says yes that bond has some things that can be taken out, there were also things there that I didn't think were great, important or absolutely necessary and after some research especially with some sporting ones I got comfortable with some things. I wasn't ready to throw out a whole bond. So I'm offering this board that you should find the reasonable people who really care about doing something for the school and make sure that they're in attendance at these workshops and that they're bringing other reasonable people here. I don't see we can't as a community, whether you live on Morgans Island or in section 8 housing why you can't come up with a figure and a list that works for the entire community. I don't think the last process was rushed because I've known about it for two years and I'm a new comer. I don't think it was effective so we need more reasonable people at the table who have their thinking hats on to make this happen. Thanked everyone on the bond committee, the board and everyone in the community that have done so much work and I'm offering to do more now.

Dr. Israel reminded everyone that National History Day at Hofstra is on Sunday and that the Red and Green games is scheduled for this Friday night at the high school.

Instructional Report

On the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools made by the Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, a motion was made by Trustee Juarez, seconded by Trustee Murphy, the Board unanimously (5/0) moved to approve the following:

Committee on Special Education

RESOLVED, that 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 filed in the office of special education from meetings and approves the authorization of funds to implement the special education programs and services.

Approval:
**Committee
on Special
Education
and Pre-
School
Education**

Business Affairs – Finance

On the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools made by the Assistant Superintendent of Business, a motion was made by Trustee Sekelsky, seconded by Trustee Juarez, the Board unanimously (5/0), moved to approved the following:

Treasurer's Report – Month of February 2019

Financial Reports:

Bank Reconciliations, Revenue Budget Status Report, Appropriation Budget Status Report, Register of Bills – General, Federal, Trust & Agency, Cafeteria, Check Registers for the month of February 2019.

Approval:
**Treasurer's
& Financial
Reports –
Month of
February**

Business Affairs - Operations

On the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools made by the Assistant Superintendent of Business, a motion was made by Trustee Murphy, seconded by Trustee Sekelsky, the Board unanimously (5/0), moved to approved the following:

Donation – NY Life Foundation

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts, with gratitude, a donation of \$500 from the New York Life Foundation for Deasy School’s Grief-Sensitive Schools Initiative.

Approval: **Donation** – NY Life Foundation

Contracts – Health and Allied Services

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the services as summarized below for Health and Allied Services and authorizes the President of the Board of Education to sign such contract upon approval:

Approval – **Contract** – Health & Allied Services

School	Address	Provider/No. of Students	Services
Uniondale UFSD	933 Goodrich Street Uniondale, NY	Kellenberg Memorial HS 32 Students	Health and Allied Services
Garden City UFSD	56 Cathedral Ave. Garden City, NY	Waldorf Schools 3 Students	Health and Allied Services

Excessing of Equipment

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the excessing of the following pieces of equipment from Finley Middle school Health Office:

Approval: **Excessing of Equipment**

- Phillips Page Writer 200 (EKG Machine) District Tag: 101599
- Vision Tester GCS District Tags: 102793, 000900, 002016, 00002270

Donation – Connolly Playground Committee

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education accepts, with gratitude, a donation of \$13,728.77 from the Connolly School Playground Committee, in conjunction with the Connolly PTA, to be used toward the purchase and installation of the new playground at Connolly School.

Approval: **Donation** – Connolly Playground Committee

PERSONNEL – Certified

On the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools made by the Superintendent of Schools, on a motion by Trustee Alexandris-Miller, seconded by Trustee Murphy, the Board unanimously (5/0) moved to approve the following certified matters:

Notice of Tenure

Upon the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it **RESOLVED**, that the Board of Education confer tenure to the following educators and administrators who are found to be efficient and satisfactory pursuant to Education Law §3012:

Approval: **Notice of Tenure**

Name	Tenure Area	School	Tenure Date
Cairo, Ann-Marie	Speech & Language	Deasy	09/01/19
Carfora, Rebecca	English Language Arts	Middle School	09/01/19
Geraci, Cynthia	Elementary	Deasy	09/01/19
Harechmak, Melissa	Elementary	Landing	09/01/19
Johnson, Scott	Special Education	High School	09/01/19
Makula, Laura	Special Education	High School	09/08/19
Maloney, Mary	Elementary	Deasy	09/01/19
Pedretti, Danielle	Reading	Connolly	10/13/19
Plactere, Marissa	Elementary	Deasy	09/01/19
Roberts, Benjamin	Elementary Principal	Landing	08/27/19
Roberts, Tracy	Social Studies	Middle School	09/01/19
Sequino, Tamara	Special Education	Landing	09/01/19
Sheridan, Rachel	Special Education	High School	09/01/19

Appointment of Club Advisor

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it **RESOLVED**, that the following named person be appointed as a club advisor for the 2018-2019 school year as specified below (stipend as per contract, prorated.)

Approval: of **Lori Penrod** – Club Advisor

Advisor Name	Club/Activity	School	Effective
Penrod, Lori	Homework Club	Middle School	4/1/19-6/30/19

Comments

Ms. Penrod is replacing Ms. DeCarlo, who resigned from the position.

Appointment of AP Review Class Teachers (High School)

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named persons be appointed as AP Review Class Teachers effective on or around March 28, 2019, through on or around May 14, 2019 (salary as per contract; not to exceed 10 hours per course.)

Approval:
AP Review
High School
Class
Teachers

Clements, Brendan
Contorno, Christopher
DiBenedetto, Pamela
Cheng, Lihong
Goldaper, Evan
Mendez, Juan
Nardiello, Mario
Poulos, Susan
Rottino, Matthew
Rubin, Brett
Stazzone, Valerie
Vazquez, Esteban

Change in Status

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

Approval:
Change in
Status of
Alexandra
Beglin

Name	From	To	Effective
Beglin, Alexandra	1:1 TA (29.5 hrs./wk.)	ICT TA (25 hrs./wk.)	3/14/19

Request for Leave of Absence

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

Approval:
Request for
Leave of
Absence of
Stefani
Borgia
Anisimov

Name	Title	Building	Effective
Borgia Anisimov, Stefani	Reading Teacher	Deasy/Gribbin	o/a 6/4/19-6/30/19

Comments

Ms. Borgia Anisimov is requesting a leave of absence for maternity/childcare purposes.

Resignations

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

Acceptance:
Resignations
of Marian
DeCarlo,
Kuwanza
Myhand,
Jessica
Thompson

Name	Title	Building	Effective
DeCarlo, Marian	Homework Club Advisor	Middle School	3/29/19 (end of day)
Myhand, Kuwanza	Teaching Assistant	Middle School	3/22/19 (end of day)
Thompson, Jessica	Special Education Teacher	Gribbin	6/30/19 (end of day)

Comments

Ms. DeCarlo is resigning due to the scheduling conflict between the club and spring coaching assignments.

Termination

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

Approval:
Termination
of Christina
Kavalos

Name	Title	Building	Effective
Kavalos, Christina	Family & Consumer Sciences Teacher	Middle School	4/12/19 (end of day)

PERSONNEL – Classified

On the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools made by the Superintendent of Schools, on a motion by Trustee Murphy seconded by Trustee Alexandris-Miller, the Board unanimously (5/0) moved to approve the following classified matters:

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 as specified below (salary as per contract.)

Approval: of
Colleen
Quinn and
Mimoza Voci
– School
Monitors

Name	School	Hours	Effective
Quinn, Colleen	Middle School	29.5 hrs./wk.	3/19/19-6/26/19
Voci, Mimoza	Gribbin	29.5 hrs./wk.	3/25/19-6/26/19

Comments

Ms. Quinn is being assigned as a 1:1, replacing Ms. Myhand, who resigned.
Ms. Voci is being assigned as a 1:1 for a student transferring to Gribbin.

Appointment of Per Diem Substitute Food Service Helper

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that the following named person be appointed as a per diem Substitute Food Service Helper for the Glen Cove City School District effective the 2018-2019 school year (salary - \$12.00/hr.)

Burton, Danita

Approval: of **Danita Burton** - Per Diem Substitute Food Service Helper

Additional Hours of Employment (Monitors)

Upon recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, be it RESOLVED, that additional hours of employment for the following named persons be approved, for the purpose of providing translation services for parent-teacher conferences, as specified below (salary as per contract.)

Approval: Additional Hours of Employment of **Rosa Farfan & Yissel Hidalgo** - Monitors

Names	School	Effective
Farfan, Rosa	Gribbin	4/4/19 (2 hours)
Hidalgo, Yissel		4/5/19 (2.5 hours)
		4/12/19 (2.5 hours)

Request for Leave of Absence

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

Approval: Leave of Absence of **Geraldina Noviello**

Name	Title	Building	Effective
Noviello, Geraldina	Cook I	Middle School	4/9/19-o/a 5/21/19

Comments

Ms. Noviello is requesting a leave of absence for medical reasons.

Resignations

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

Acceptance: Resignations of **Brad Martin, Carolina Nunez, Arena, Mimoza Voci**

Name	Position/Assignment	Building	Effective
Martin, Brad	Security Guard	Gribbin	3/22/19 (end of day)
Nunez Arena, Carolina	School Monitor	Gribbin	3/7/19
Voci, Mimoza	Part-Time Food Service Helper	Middle School	3/22/19 (end of day)

Comments

Ms. Voci is resigning in order to accept a position as a 1:1 monitor at Gribbin.

On the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools made by the Superintendent of Schools, on a motion by Trustee Sekelsky, seconded by Trustee Juarez, the Board unanimously (5/0) moved to approve the following classified matter:

Settlement Agreement

RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools, the Board of Education approves the Settlement Agreement between the GCTA and the Glen Cove City School District and authorizes the President to sign such agreement upon approval.

Approval: **Settlement Agreement**

Unfinished Business – Nothing at this time.

New Business

On the Recommendation of the Superintendent of Schools made by the Superintendent of Schools, on a motion by Trustee Alexandris-Miller, seconded by Trustee Murphy, the Board unanimously (5/0) moved to approve the following policies:

Policy 7133 – Education of Homeless Children and Youth – Second Reading and Adoption

Approval – **Policy #'s 7130 & 8260**

Policy 8260 – Parent and Family Engagement – Second Reading and Adoption

President Nedbor-Gross – wanted a third reading after comments were brought up by a community member.

Trustee Alexandris-Miller – stated that she's not comfortable jeopardizing our title one funds as there's not another meeting before the cutoff date. Trustee Alexandris-Miller asked her fellow board members to kindly abide by the process that was agreed to back in July and August that we would come prepared and not save questions for the last minute. It's not only a waste of our time but the community's time and it's upsetting that this keeps happening. We agreed to a way that we would conduct business that's professional

and appropriate for a board of education and this continues to happen. Let's follow the rules we made for ourselves.

Dr. Rianna stated that the policies could be approved now in its current form with changes being made at a later time if you choose.

Trustee Sekelsky stated that being that the policies are due and they're part of an audit that I feel *Dr. Rianna* suggestion is a good one.

Trustee Juarez – mentioned that when he was at training session the instructor had asked him if he promised he would never ask a gotcha question and his reply to the instructor was no and the reason why was because he's human. Believes in being transparent and can ask any questions anyone wants. A community member sent a notification about a meeting with the city of Glen Cove for the downtown area walkways. I'm glad we received it and I went down as a private citizen and looked at what they were proposing and expressed my concerns for a lot of bus stops in that area. Thanked the facilities department for taking care of the cinder block concern I had. Thanked everyone that came out and working together.

Public Participation


The following topics were presented during the public participation section on non-agenda or any items

- At the last meeting *Trustee Juarez* invited people to FOIL his emails. First of all it's not free and people would have to pay for that. Were those emails sent to your fellow board members or to administration? Were they answers to public questions or all of those things because there are some restrictions in FOIL and people cannot automatically get things. If they were between you and fellow board members there may be restrictions and not be able to see them however if between you and community members they may be allowed to see them. Someone would have to review that and decided if those emails are accessible. You need to look into what FOIL makes available. As a parent you can do whatever you want but the idea that you would have your young kids take a PSAT or SAT exams at their age and by the time they're in high school and will be taking them makes no sense at all and you should take a look at that. More and more colleges and universities in this country every year stop requiring the ACT and SAT exams, some require essays. People should stop being concerned until its necessary. You don't prepare yourself to take exams when you're too young to take them.
- We have 3 days and 22 hours left to collect the signatures needed for a petition on the Harmed Suburban Five. With everyone here tonight please reach out to anyone you know and have them write to James Gaughran or sign the petition. We need the signatures, send emails we need them tonight. Its money that has to come to Glen Cove because we deserve it.

On a motion by *Trustee Alexandris-Miller*, seconded by *Trustee Sekelsky*, the Board unanimously (5-0) moved to adjourn the public meeting at 9:36pm. Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday, April 10, 2019, Connolly School at 7:30 pm.

Motion:
Adjourn
Meeting

Respectfully submitted,
By *Ida Johnson*
District Clerk



Ida Johnson, District Clerk