

# **OLD BRIDGE BOARD BRIEFS**

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

### **August 19, 2014**

#### ***IN MEMORIAM***

##### ***The Board***

- acknowledged the death of Joseph Sharar, HVAC Technician, Maintenance Department and expressed its deepest sympathy to his family and friends.

#### ***PROGRESS TOWARDS GOALS***

##### ***JOSEPH J. MARRA***

###### ***BOARD SECRETARY AND BOARD BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR***

- reported on eight school projects with six building projects related to the all-day kindergarten program. He said all projects are on schedule and will be completed by next week.
- said the McDivitt Elementary School bathroom project is on schedule.
- said the Jonas Salk Middle School roof project is on schedule. He said there will be an additional timeline with work to be done after school hours and on weekends.

##### ***KATHLEEN HOEKER***

###### ***ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS***

- said here are 41 new teachers and long term substitute teachers in the district, who attended workshops to get to know our schools. The workshops were held on Aug.19 and Aug. 20.
- said the workshops provided inspiration and motivation for the new employees.
- said Central Administration employees were introduced, and they provided words of wisdom.
- said during the two-day workshop the teachers learned how to write professional development plans and SGOs.

##### ***CHRISTOPHER MCCUE***

###### ***HIB (Harassment, Intimidation and Bullying) Coordinator***

- discussed the district's participation in the HIB self-assessment. He said there were some changes to the time line to complete the assessment and scoring, which ran from July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2014.
- said the scores were based on eight core elements.
- said all schools met or exceeded HIB requirements
- said the district will submit its scores in September, and the state will review and return a report in February.

#### ***CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL***

##### ***The Board***

- approved the retirement of Susanne Miskiewicz, Ed.D, Cooper School principal, with deep appreciation for her five years of dedicated service to the District, effective Jan. 1, 2015.

## ***SUPPLIES, EQUIPMENT AND SERVICES***

### ***The Board***

- approved the purchase of 200 refurbished iPads with a one-year warranty and 10 charging carts for a total of \$62,150. The iPads will be used for the all-day kindergarten program.

## ***MISCELLANEOUS***

### ***The Board***

- approved an agenda session set for 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 9 in the Patrick Torre Administration Building and a regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Sept. 16, in the TV Studio at Old Bridge High School Main Building