

OLD BRIDGE BOARD BRIEFS

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

May 20, 2014

RECOGNITION

The Board

- commended the following teachers for being selected Governor's Teacher Recognition recipients for the 2013-2014 school year. They are: Jodi Rosenblum, M. Scott Carpenter; Sarah Sandler, Cheesequake; Kimberly Sautner, Leroy Gordon Cooper; Karen Kearns, Virgil I. Grissom; Dawn Larsen, Madison Park; Linda Butterwick, James A. McDivitt; Lindsay Yanuzzelli, Memorial; Lynda Naspo, William A., Miller; Melissa Dilger, Walter M. Schirra; Danielle Susi, Alan B. Shepard; Kerryann Silvestri, Southwood; Melissa Markette, Voorhees; Claire Jorda, Jonas Salk; Sylvia Scher, Carl Sandburg; Vicki Grasso, OBHS Ellen McDermott Grade Nine Center; and Amy Chernet, OBHS Main Campus.
- commended Fran Capone, paraprofessional aide, for being selected Old Bridge Educational Support recipient for the 2013-2014 school year.

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

DAVID CITTADINO

- commended the students, staff, and community for raising more than \$46,000 for Stephen Bartlett, who is battling Stage 4 Hodgkins Lymphoma. He said Old Bridge is rich with good people and families. Applause to everyone in Old Bridge. You truly deserve this recognition.

PROGRESS TOWARDS GOALS

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT

KATHLEEN HOEKER

- recognized staff and acknowledged three elementary schools -- Cheesequake, McDivitt, and Voorhees – for each being named a National School of Character by the Character Education Partnership (CEP). Cheesequake also was selected as the National Model School of Character
- noted Cheesequake Elementary School Principal Thomas Ferry traveled to Washington, DC on May 15, to speak before a national delegation of elected officials, educational experts, and community members to address schools and districts that have demonstrated, through a rigorous evaluation process, that character development infused in their curriculum and school displayed positive impact on their schools' academics, student behavior, and school climate.
- acknowledged that Old Bridge students and staff strive to become leaders.

CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

The Board

- approved the retirement of the following staff members with deep appreciation for their years of dedicated service to the district. They are: Richard Laytn, Jonas Salk Middle School, Science, 41 years; Veronica DeBruin, Memorial, Certified School Nurse, 25 years; and Lena Russo, Carl Sandburg Middle School, Italian/ASP, 15 years, all effective July 1.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Board

- approved the following meetings: agenda session, 7:30 p.m., June 10, in the Patrick A. Torre Administration Building; and regular meeting at 7:30 p.m., June 17, in the OBHS Main Building TV Studio.
- accepted a donation of \$3,790 for iPads for special education students and expressed its sincere appreciation to Allison Vass and SEPTA (Special Education Parent-Teacher Association).