

OLD BRIDGE BOARD BRIEFS BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING June 28, 2016

RECOGNITION

The Board

- commended the graduating OBHS Seniors of Project Unify. They are: Stephen Boyle, Benjamin Carroll, Carolina Gonzales, Tara Little, Brielle Schultz, Daniel McNamara, Christopher Boland, Joseph Pilchuk, Rebecca Bashkoff, and Daniel Brennan.
- recognized the following staff, students and community members for their commitment to the District's Pay It Forward Campaign. On June 6, 2016, twenty participants donated locks of their hair to the Pantene Beautiful Lengths program in conjunction with the American Cancer Society to create wigs for cancer patients. A special thank you to Madison & Lex Hair Salon for donating their time and participating in the worthy event.
Carpenter students, who donated their hair, are: Adriana Ayvaz, Juliana Ayvaz, Makenzie Dunleavy, Yasmin Husain, Abigail Jazmin, Madison Kravitz, Julianna LaBarbera, Olivia Leon, Isabella Nazario, Kimberly Rodriguez, Michelle Sienkiewicz, and Maya Yong Yow.
Carpenter staff, who donated their hair, are: Christine Lynch, Kristy Richardson, Naomi Tehrani and Kirsten Tilton.
Guests, who donated their hair, are: Hailey Cruz-Herrera, Nicole Kravitz, Samantha Pasewark and Ashley Spitzer.
Madison & Lex Hairstylists are: Jill Case, Alexia Colavito, Jennifer Curreri, Lori Endres, Jeannine Farmer, Cheryl Kaniuk, Geordan McLean, Maryann Small, Toni Parsler and Amanda Tejada.
Carpenter in Action Committee (students who helped organize event) are: Jessica Agostino, Aaron Bain, Sara Brennan, Lucas Endres, Michael Gallagher, Abigail Jazmin, Evan Jazmin, Madison Kravitz, Josh Martinez, Brandon Norero, John Mayer, Linda Portocarrero, and Julia Rowan.
- commended Crossfit Bacon of Old Bridge, for its highly effective fundraising efforts on behalf of children with special needs in Old Bridge Township Public Schools.
- commended the following Old Bridge High School Teams: Boys Cross Country, 1st Place GMC Red Division, 1st Place Central Jersey Shootout, 1st Place Fall Classic, 1st Place GMC Championship, 1st Place Central Jersey State Championships, 1st Place NJ Group IV State Championship, 3rd Place State Meet of Champions, 5th Place NIKE Northeast Regional Championship, #1 Public High School in New Jersey; Boys Winter Track, GMC Champions, Group IV State Relay Champions, Central Jersey Group IV State Champions, Group IV State Champions; Boys Spring Track, Group IV State Champion
- **Boys Cross Country & Track & Field combined to win four Group IV Championships and two Central Jersey Group IV Championships. First time in NJSIAA history for Group IV School to win four Group Championships.
- commended the following Old Bridge High School coaches: Andrew Hopman, National Federation High School (NFHS) State Coach of the Year for Boys Volleyball and New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association (NJSIAA) Sports Award for Boys Volleyball; Jack Campbell, GMC Boys Indoor Track GMC Coach of the Year; Rich Gebauer, Red Division Boys Cross Country Coach of the Year, GMC Coach of the Year, The Star-Ledger Boys Cross Country NJ State Coach of the Year, US Track & Field & Cross Country Coaches Association Boys Cross Country Coach of the Year.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

David Cittadino

- reported to the Board of Education on incidents of HIB (Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying), violence, and vandalism, which have occurred in the district during the previous school year.

- said between July and December 2015, there were 26 incidents of violence; 4, vandalism; 2 weapons; and 10 substance abuse.
- said there was a zero cost of vandalism to the district.
- said during this period, police were notified (no complaint) 4 times; police notified (complaint filed) 6; in-school suspension, 11; out-of-school suspensions, 54 and expulsions, unilateral removals, zero.
- said there were 58 student offenders; 25 student victims; 2 school personnel victims; and 2 student victims of violent criminal offense.
- said there were 7 HIB (Harassment, Intimidation, and Bullying) incidents
- said the mode of HIB incidents were: written, 1; verbal, 4; and electronic communication, 2.
- said Safewise.com and Channel 11 announced that Old Bridge was named the sixth safest city to raise a child in America.
- recognized the number of students and staff who participated in the annual Relay for Life at Lombardi Field (including the Red Cross Club, the Air Force Junior ROTC, and athletes). The Old Bridge Relay for Life raised more than \$40,000 for cancer research, according to Lawrence Redmond, the co-chairman of the Old Bridge Relay for Life.
- said during the last month of school, elementary and secondary school students were surveyed and the results will be used to set future goals.

CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL

The Board

- approved a five-year contract for David Cittadino, Superintendent of Schools for July 1, 2016 through June 20, 2021 at a base salary of \$177,500 (including high school stipend) and additional salary opportunities – merit goals, both quantitative and qualitative.
- approved the employment of Kathleen Hoeker, Assistant Superintendent of Schools for the 2016-2017 school year at a salary of \$176,966 plus \$1,000 Ed.D stipend
- approved the employment contract for Joseph J. Marra, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary for the 2016-2017 school year at a salary of \$151,700.

FINANCE

The Board

- acknowledged a generous donation of \$1,500 to McDivitt Elementary School's Special Education Department on behalf of Anthony Downey.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Board

- approved the following meetings: agenda session, 7:30 p.m. Aug .9, in the Patrick Torre Administration Building; and regular meeting, 7:30 p.m. Aug. 16, in the TV Studio at OBHS Main Building.
- learned that school board member Nancy Mongon will submit a formal letter of resignation, effective Aug. 1, 2016. Her term expires January 2017.