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Board of Education Notes November 16, 2023 Meeting

In an effort to increase Board/Public Communications, after each Board of Education meeting an email will be sent to parents, staff, and anyone who requested to receive district e-mail communications, highlighting board discussions.

- Prior to the meeting, the Board of Education met with a group of Herricks High School students for their annual Fireside Chat—a special meeting where high school students are given the chance to stand in front of the Board and discuss any changes they'd like to see made to their school. Some of the proposals made by students for the high school included stadium lighting for the football field, renovations and repairs to the bathrooms in the music and art wing, and better maintenance of unused courtyards.
- The meeting began with a number of announcements, including: the high school boys volleyball team played well at the playoffs' semifinals, senior athletes have begun signing for colleges, the high school recently hosted the Tri-Mapalooza leadership event, and the high school play would be held on November 17th and 18th.
- The district recently held a professional development day, SEPTA meeting, and the strategic planning committee met at the beginning of November to discuss how to bring the district's "portrait of a graduate" to life.
- Herricks High School senior Meredith Daly was honored in recognition of her many achievements as both a musician and a student.
- Superintendent Sinanis gave a presentation on the 2023-2024 District Goals, which included sections on Strategic Coherence Planning, Culture and Staff Relations, Culture and Community Relations, Instruction, Instructional Leadership, Human Resources, Facilities, and Budget and Finance. The full presentation can be found here: <https://www.herricks.org/Page/14563>
- Ms. Rutkoske and Ms. Guercin stated that they have been working on a review of the use of the Federal Stimulus Funds allocated to the district. The review is designed to ensure that the district is following the fiscal plans submitted and maintaining compliance. Ms. Guercin then stated that we are at the end of the funding cycle for one of the grants, CRRSA/ESSER II Act, which ended on September 30, 2023. The other source of funds, ARP, is scheduled to end in 2024. All plans can be found on the Herricks website at File Repository / Financial Reports (<https://www.herricks.org/Page/11507>).
- **All New Business items were voted on and approved**—for a full list of items, please see the full Agenda & Minutes here: <https://herricksufsd.igmp2.com/Citizens/Default.aspx>
- The Board Meeting is available in its entirety at: <https://www.youtube.com/@herrickslivestream>

The next regular meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for December 6th, 2023 at 7:30 PM in the Middle School Cafeteria.