

**PORT JEFFERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD OF EDUCATION
WORK SESSION
April 22, 2014**

6:00 p.m. Executive Session (ES Library)
7:30 p.m. Work Session (Elementary School Large Group Room)

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. ROLL CALL OF BOARD MEMBERS

III. REPORTS

- A. Superintendent of Schools
- iPad Initiative – *Christine Austen, Assistant Principal PreK-12*

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

As recommended by the Superintendent of Schools, the Board approves resolutions numbered 1-3 under the Other Business section of the April 22, 2014 Work Session Agenda:

1. Tenure – Teaching Assistants
 - a. The Board grants tenure to Michelle Lautato as a Teaching Assistant effective May 1, 2014.
 - b. The Board grants tenure to Mary Jo Zimmerman as a Teaching Assistant effective April 25, 2014.

2. Board Policy

The Board accepts for a first reading Board Policy 4526, Computer Use in Instruction.

3. Memorandum of Agreement – Port Jefferson Teachers Association

The Board hereby approves and ratifies a certain Memorandum of Agreement dated March 25, 2014 between the negotiating representatives of the Port Jefferson Teachers Association and the negotiating representatives of the Port Jefferson Union Free School District; and further, the Board authorizes the President of the Board of Education and Superintendent of Schools to prepare and execute a new collective bargaining agreement incorporating the terms of said Memorandum of Agreement.

V. ADJOURNMENT

COMPUTER USE IN INSTRUCTION

The Board of Education is committed to optimizing student learning and teaching. The Board considers student access to a computer network, including the Internet, to be a powerful and valuable educational and research tool, and encourages the use of computers and computer-related technology in district classrooms for the purpose of advancing and promoting learning and teaching.

The computer network can provide a forum for learning various software applications and through online databases, bulletin boards and electronic mail, can significantly enhance educational experiences and provide statewide, national and global communication opportunities for staff and students.

All users of the district's computer network and the Internet must understand that use is a privilege, not a right, and that use entails responsibility. The district reserves the right to control access to the Internet for all users of its computers and network. The district may either allow or prohibit certain kinds of online activity, or access to specific websites.

Regulations, to be developed by the Superintendent, in consultation with appropriate staff, will provide specific guidance on this, as well as rules governing the use and security of the district's computer network. All users of the district's computer network and equipment shall comply with this policy and regulation. Failure to comply may result in disciplinary action as well as suspension and/or revocation of computer access privileges.

The Superintendent shall be responsible for designating a network systems administrator to oversee the use of district computer resources. This individual, in conjunction with the Technology Committee, will recommend in-service programs for the training and development of district staff in computer skills, and for the incorporation of computer use in appropriate subject areas.

The Superintendent, working in conjunction with the designated purchasing agent for the district, the network systems administrator and the committee, will be responsible for the purchase and distribution of computer software and hardware throughout district schools. They shall prepare and submit for the Board's approval a comprehensive multi-year technology plan which shall be revised as necessary to reflect changing technology and/or district needs.