# We Want to Hear From You

The Board welcomes your communication on any issue of concern. Correspondence may be addressed to: POBCSD Board of Education; 106 Washington Avenue, Plainview, NY 11803 or BoardofEd@pobschools.org or Phone: (516) 434-3003

To hear audio recordings of Board meetings, view full agendas, minutes, policies or reports of each Board meeting go to www.pobschools.org and click on "Board of Education."

## Meeting Dates 2016-2017

July 5 August 10 September 7, 19 October 5, 24 November 7, 21 December 5, 19 January 9, 23 February 6, 27 March 13, 20, 27 April 5, 24 May 8, 22 June 5, 19



## Administration

Superintendent of Schools Dr. Lorna R. Lewis Deputy Superintendent Ms. Jill M. Gierasch Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources Dr. Vincent K. Mulieri Assistant Superintendent for Business Mr. Richard Cunningham

## **Mission Statement**

The mission of the Plainview-Old Bethpage Central School District is to provide an academically challenging and stimulating environment for all students, and to enable them to realize their full potential to be happy, ethical and analytical citizens of the world. We do this by:

 making tolerance, acceptance, respect, honesty and kindness expectations for all students, and for members of the Plainview-Old Bethpage school community

 identifying each student's academic, socialemotional, aesthetic and physical needs, and striving to meet those needs

 encouraging communication between and among students, teachers, parents, administrators, and community members.

# Welcome to a Plainview-Old Bethpage Board of Education Meeting



Board of Education President - Ms. Debbie Bernstein Vice President - Ms. Ginger Lieberman

## **Trustees**

Ms. Jodi Campagna Mr. Seth Greenberg Ms. Ronelle Hershkowitz Ms. Lauren Sackstein Ms. Susan Stewart

The Plainview-Old Bethpage Board of Education establishes policies and adopts regulations for the operation of the district's seven public schools. Its seven members serve without pay and are elected by the qualified voters of the district for a term of three years. Responsibility for administering Board policies is vested in the Superintendent.

## **Public Participation**

While not required by NY State Law, the Board has set aside time at each meeting for public participation. This provides an opportunity for any resident to address the Board on any school related topic, including items appearing on the agenda.

### **How Does the Public Participate?**

Those wishing to address the Board during the public participation portion of the meeting will be recognized by the President. They will be granted up to three minutes to address their topic.

They must begin by stating their name and address as this is needed for the recorded minutes.

## **Public Comment**

The Board, through the President, reserves the right to limit the total time for public comment when necessary. During the rest of the meeting, any participation by persons other than the Superintendent or Board must be recognized by the presiding officer of the Board of Education.



### **About Board Meetings**

Board meetings follow specific rules of order and proceed in accordance with a published agenda.

#### Agenda

The agenda outlines the order of business, but the President may vary the order, as is necessary. An agenda is posted to the website 48 hours prior to each meeting date. Under "Our District" click on "Board of Education", then select "Meetings and Agendas" on left side of page. Copies of the agenda are also available at the meeting. Board trustees receive the agenda and supporting documents in advance of each meeting so that they can have ample time to carefully consider each item requiring action.

#### **Minutes of the Meeting**

Board Minutes and audio recordings are posted on the website under "Board of Education."

#### Who attends the meetings?

Seated with the Board are the Superintendent of Schools, Deputy Superintendent Assistant Superintendents, Counsel, and the District Clerk who records the minutes of the meeting. District administrators regularly attend Board meetings to provide information and guidance, as needed. Only members of the Board of Education have a right to vote on resolutions being considered.

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The Plainview - Old Bethpage Board of Education welcomes residents, staff members, students, and other interested persons to its meetings. Thank you for your interest in our community's schools.

**A Board Meeting** is a public meeting of the Board of Education. A quorum (4 or more trustees) is required.

**Regular Business Meetings** of the Board are listed on the district calendar and website. They are usually held on the 1st and 3rd Monday each month and begin at 7:45 PM. Meetings are held at the Central Office at 106 Washington Avenue, Plainview.

**Budget Workshops:** The Board conducts four to five Budget Workshops prior to the adoption of the annual Budget. These meetings generally begin at 7 pm.

**Special Meetings of the Board,** which the public may also attend, may be added to the schedule.

**Executive Sessions** of the Board, are for the discussion of sensitive subjects – such as personnel matters, employee contract negotiations or potential litigation – and may only be attended by Board members and necessary staff. These sessions often precede or follow regular meetings.