Regular Meeting Minutes - Wednesday, March 19, 2025

The Regular Meeting of the Long Branch Board of Education was held in the Long Branch Middle School auditorium, 350 Indiana Avenue, Long Branch, New Jersey.

Mrs. Peters, Board President, called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

A. ROLL CALL

Mrs. Peters - President

Mrs. Youngblood Brown

Mr. Torres

Mrs. Dangler - Vice President

Mr. Ferraina

Mr. Zimmerman

Mr. Zambrano

Mr. Garlipp

Mr. Sama

Attorney Present - Janice Arellano, Esq.

B. STATEMENT OF THE MANNER OF NOTIFICATION OF THE MEETING

Peter E. Genovese III, RSBO, QPA, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary stated that adequate notice of the meeting of the Long Branch Board of Education has been provided by a Schedule of Public Meetings published in the Asbury Park Press. Mr. Genovese further stated that a Schedule of Public Meetings has been posted in the Board of Education Office and the Office of the City Clerk, Long Branch, New Jersey.

Mr. Genovese made the following announcement: Fire exits are located in the direction indicated. In case of fire, you will be signaled by a bell and/or public address system. If so alerted to fire, please move in a calm and orderly fashion to the nearest smoke-free exit.

C. OBJECTIONS, IF ANY, TO THE VALIDITY OF THE MEETING

Mr. Genovese stated that the objecting member must give supporting reasons.

D. FLAG SALUTE AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mrs. Peters, Board President, saluted the flag and led the Pledge of Allegiance

E. STATEMENT TO THE PUBLIC

Mrs. Peters made the following announcement: Oftentimes it may appear to members of our audience that the Board of Education takes action with very little comment and in many cases by unanimous vote. Before a matter is placed on the agenda at a public meeting, the administration has thoroughly reviewed the matter with the Superintendent of Schools. If the Superintendent of Schools is satisfied that the matter is ready to be presented to the Board of Education, it is then referred to the appropriate Board committee. The members of the Board committee work with the administration and Superintendent to assure that the members fully understand the matter. When the committee is satisfied with the matter, it is presented to the Board of Education for discussion before any final action is taken. Only then is it placed on the agenda for action at a public meeting. All agenda attachments are available for public review. In rare instances, matters are presented to the Board of Education for discussion at the same meeting that final action may be taken.

Time may be allocated for public comment at this meeting. Each speaker may be allotted up to five (5) minutes and one (1) opportunity to address the Board when recognized by the presiding officer. Individuals wishing to address the Board shall be recognized by the presiding officer and shall give their names, addresses and the group, if any, that they represent. Although the Board encourages public participation, it reserves the right, through its presiding officer, to terminate remarks to and/or by any individual not in keeping with the conduct of a proper and efficient meeting. With the exception of those individuals whose names are on the agenda this evening, the Board will not respond to questions during the public participation portion of this meeting involving the employment, appointment, termination of employment, negotiations, terms and conditions of employment, evaluation of the performance of, promotion or disciplining of any specific, prospective or current employee.

F. OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD RELATING TO AGENDA ITEMS

No one addressed the Board.

G. COMMENTS FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE CHAIR - Mrs. Dangler

H. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

That the Board approve the following minutes:

Agenda Meeting minutes of February 25, 2025 Executive Session Meeting minutes of February 25, 2025 Regular Meeting minutes of February 26, 2025

Motion by Rick Garlipp, second by Dominic Sama.

Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Dominic Sama, Jon Zimmerman Motion Carries

2. SECRETARY'S REPORT - The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following:

A. MONTHLY CERTIFICATION OF SCHOOL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR/BOARD SECRETARY

I, Peter E. Genovese III, RSBO, QPA, School Business Administrator/Board Secretary certifies that no line item has been over expended in violation of N.J.A.C. 6A:23A-16.10(c)3 and that sufficient funds are available to meet the district's financial obligations for the remainder of the fiscal year.

Peter E. Genovese III, RSBO, QPA School Business Administrator/Board Secretary

B. <u>BILLS AND CLAIMS - FEBRUARY 20 - 28, 2025 AND MARCH 1 - 19, 2025 FOR THE CITY OF LONG</u> BRANCH - ATTACHMENT 1

That the Board approve the bills and claims for February 20 - 28, and March 1 - 19, 2025 for the City of Long Branch contained herein.

Motion by Joseph M Ferraina, second by Rick Garlipp.

Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Tony Valdiviezo, Dominic Sama, Jon Zimmerman

Abstain: Theresa Dangler

Motion Carries

C. <u>BILLS AND CLAIMS - FEBRUARY 20 - 28, 2025 AND MARCH 1 - 19, 2025 EXCLUDING THE CITY OF LONG BRANCH - ATTACHMENT 1</u>

That the Board approve the bills and claims for February 20 - 28, 2025 and March 1- 19, 2025 excluding the City of Long Branch.

D. RECONCILIATION MONTHLY OPERATING REPORT - SODEXO - FEBRUARY 28, 2025 - ATTACHMENT 2

That the Board approve the monthly operating report for the Sodexo Corporation, Food Service Management Company for the Long Branch School district for February 28, 2025 contained herein.

E. <u>ATHLETIC FUND & ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS, MIDDLE SCHOOL & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT FUNDS - FEBRUARY 28, 2025 - ATTACHMENT 3</u>

That the Board approve the monthly reports for the Athletic Fund, Elementary Schools, Middle School and High School Student Funds as of February 28, 2025 contained herein.

Motion by Rick Garlipp, second by Tasha Youngblood Brown to approve items 2C - 2E...

Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Dominic Sama, Jon Zimmerman Motion Carries

F. STUDENT REGISTRATION - ATTACHMENT 4

3. SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

Mr. Rodriguez requested a moment of silence for the 12th grade student who lost his life over the weekend.

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Mr. Rodriguez recognized Women's History Month stating that the district has celebrated women over the past month in our schools and thanked all of the women that make things happen not only yesterday and today but in the future as well.

A. RECOGNITION OF ACHIEVEMENT

FRANCISCO E. RODRIGUEZ, Superintendent of Schools, is being recognized by the Monmouth County Board of Commissioners for receiving the 2025 Superintendent of the Year Award from the New Jersey Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents.

WILLIAM GEORGE, High School wrestling coach, has been selected as the 2025 Region 6 Coach of the Year by the New Jersey Wrestling Coaches Association and the NJSIAA.

FAIR HOUSING POSTER CONTEST WINNERS

The following students have been selected as winners of the 2025 Monmouth County Fair Housing Poster Contest. Winners will be honored at a luncheon on April 6, 2025.

FIRST PRIZE

Edwin Hernandez Mendoza

HONORABLE MENTION

Ashley Cartagena Orellana Jennifer Garcia Angel Mijangos Mendoza

LONG BRANCH HIGH SCHOOL MARCHING BAND

The Long Branch High School Marching Band, The Spirit of the Green Wave, has been invited to participate in the Salute to Independence 250th - USA Celebration Parade in Philadelphia, PA in July of 2026.

B. STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

The following students have been selected as "Students of the Month" for March;

SCHOOL STUDENT

CONTOC	STODENT	
Amerigo A. Anastasia School	Alexa Ariana Flores Orellana	
Audrey W. Clark School	Jaden Manuel Caquias	
George L. Catrambone School	Yasmyn Alves Macedo	
Gregory School	Kylie Ann Sickler	
High School	Ramirah Sheree Smith	
Historic High School	Emily Rodriguez-Hernandez	
Joseph M. Ferraina ECLC	Steve Garcia Pena	
Lenna W. Conrow School	Amy Catalina Corea Hernandez	
Morris Avenue School	Emma Grace Goodell	
Middle School	Allayna Pitts	

C. SCHOOL PRESENTATION

AMERIGO A. ANASTASIA SCHOOL

Learning is an adventure that takes us on a journey of discovery, opening doors to new ideas and experiences. Each lesson is like a new trail, filled with unexpected twists and turns that challenge our thinking and ignite our curiosity. As the students at the Amerigo A. Anastasia school explore different subjects, they encounter diverse perspectives and cultures, enriching their understanding of the world. The thrill of uncovering a solution or mastering a new skill fuels our passion for knowledge, making each moment of learning an exciting quest. Ultimately, this adventure not only shapes our minds but also empowers us to navigate life with confidence and creativity. Come along with us as we share our Adventures in Learning!

D. DISTRICT EMPLOYEES OF THE MONTH

The following staff have been selected as "District Employees of the Month" - FEBRUARY

EDUCATOR OF THE MONTH

Emily Bryk, Teacher, Audrey W. Clark School

SUPPORT STAFF OF THE MONTH

Lisa Johnson, Secretary, Historic High School

4. GENERAL ITEMS - The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following:

A. APPROVAL TO ADJUST THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR

That the Board approve the adjustment to the 2024-2025 school calendar by closing schools on April 21, 2025, May 23, 2025 and May 27, 2025 due to 3 unused inclement weather days. In the event of any need to close schools for inclement weather for the remainder of the year, days would be taken in the reverse order as listed above.

B. <u>APPROVAL OF THE 2025-2026,2026-2027 AND 2027-2028 SCHOOL CALENDARS - ATTACHMENT 5</u>

That the Board approve the attached 2025-2026, 2026-2027 and 2027-2028 school calendars.

Motion by Rick Garlipp, second by Joseph M Ferraina to approve items 4A - 4B

For Item 4A

Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Dominic Sama, Jon Zimmerman Motion Carries

For Item 4B

Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo,

Dominic Sama, Jon Zimmerman

Nay: Joseph M. Ferraina

Motion Carries

C. <u>COMMENTS FROM THE COMMUNICATIONS/SECURITY COMMITTEE CHAIR - ATTACHMENT 6</u> - Mrs.

Youngblood Brown

D. COMMENTS FROM THE OPERATION AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE CHAIR - ATTACHMENT 7 - Mr.

Zambrano

E. APPROVAL TO ESTABLISH THE VIOLA BRENDA MAYO SCHOLARSHIP

That the Board approve the establishment of the Viola Brenda Mayo Scholarship to be awarded annually in the amount of \$500.00 to a graduating senior who maintains a minimum GPA of 2.5 or higher and will be pursuing a career in the Nursing or Healthcare field.

F. GIFTS TO SCHOOL

That the Board approve the Gifts to School as listed:

Long Branch Recreation Long Branch High School Long Sleeve T-shirts Value (\$600.00) Motion by Joseph M Ferraina, second by Tasha Youngblood Brown to approve items 4E - 4F. Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Dominic Sama, Jon Zimmerman Motion Carries

G. <u>ATTENDANCE AT THE NATIONAL SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION 2025 CONFERENCE - APRIL 3 - 6, 2025</u>

That the Board approve Violeta Peters and Theresa Dangler to attend the National School Board Association 2025 Conference in Atlanta, Georgia from April 3 - 6, 2025 at a cost not to exceed \$2,335 pending County approval.

Motion by Joseph M Ferraina, second by Tasha Youngblood Brown.

Yea: Armand Zambrano, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Tony Valdiviezo, Dominic Sama, Jon Zimmerman

Abstain: Violeta Peters, Theresa Dangler

Motion Carries

H. <u>ATTENDANCE AT THE NATIONAL SCHOOL BOARD ASSOCIATION 2025 CONFERENCE - APRIL 3 - 6,</u> 2025

That the Board approve Tasha Youngblood Brown and Joseph Ferraina to attend the National School Board Association 2025 Conference in Atlanta, Georgia from April 3 - 6, 2025 at a cost not to exceed \$2,335 pending County approval.

Motion by Rick Garlipp, second by Theresa Dangler.

Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Rick Garlipp, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Dominic Sama, Jon Zimmerman

Abstain: Joseph M Ferraina, Tasha Youngblood Brown

Motion Carries

5. PERSONNEL ACTION - The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following:

A. SUSPENSION OF EMPLOYEE WITH PAY - RESOLUTION - ATTACHMENT 8

That the Board approve the suspension with pay of employee (ID# 4393), effective March 17, 2025.

B. SUSPENSION OF EMPLOYEE WITH PAY - RESOLUTION - ATTACHMENT 9

That the Board approve the suspension with pay of employee (ID# 8251), effective March 19, 2025.

C. SUSPENSION OF EMPLOYEE WITH PAY - RESOLUTION - ATTACHMENT 10

That the Board approve the suspension with pay of employee (ID# 8580), effective March 19, 2025.

D. APPROVAL OF JOB DESCRIPTION - ATTACHMENT 11

That the Board approve the revision to the job description for the Preschool Intervention Referral Specialist.

E. RETIREMENT - CONTRACTUAL POSITIONS

That the Board accept the retirement of the following individuals:

MARGARITA CAJAS, Secretary, effective July 1, 2025.

KRISTEN FERRARA, Academy Administrator. effective July 1, 2025.

DEBORAH KERR, School Nurse, effective June 30, 2025.

BONNIE MONTEFORTE, School Nurse, effective June 30, 2025

MARY WHALEN, School Nurse, effective June 30, 2025.

LEONEL VALDES, Bus Driver, effective July 1, 2025.

F. RESIGNATION - CONTRACTUAL POSITIONS

That the Board accept the resignation of the following individuals:

MELISSA COMPTON-HEALY, Instructional Assistant, effective March 20, 2025.

ROGER DERRICK, Teacher, effective June 30, 2025.

XIMENA SANCHEZ RODRIGUEZ, Teacher, effective June 30, 2025.

DARA SBOREA, Teacher, effective June 30, 2025.

Motion by Rick Garlipp, second by Tasha Youngblood Brown to approve items 5A - 5F. Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Dominic Sama, Jon Zimmerman Motion Carries

G. ANNUAL STIPEND POSITIONS - 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

That the Board approve/ratify the following annual district stipend positions listed below:

DISTRICT

Adult ESL Evening Class Teacher - \$26/hr.

Ambar Capurro Rodriguez (Family Literacy Series), Griselda Meneses (Family Literacy Series)

Adult ESL Evening Class Team Leader - \$32/hr.

Jessica Rodriguez (Family Literacy Series)

Home Instruction - \$31/hr.

Sean Fitzgerald, Fiona McKeon

Before/After School Bus Aides - \$18/session

(AWC): Christina Bharda

(MS): Katherine Gooch Alcott, Ivette Sanabria Mendoza

Building Security- \$20/hr.

Gregory Goodell

HIGH SCHOOL

Academic Lab Instructors - Homework Club - \$27/hr.

Matthew Appleyard

H. COACHING/ATHLETIC STIPEND POSITIONS - 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

That the Board approve/ratify the following coaching/athletic stipend position:

Event Workers (All Year) - paid per Athletic Event Fee Schedule

Patrick Johnson, Choyce Schwartz

I. APPOINTMENT OF SUBSTITUTES - 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

That the Board approve/ratify the following substitutes for the 2024-2025 school year: *pending fingerprints

SUBSTITUTE BUS AID 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR:

Maria Otani*

SUBSTITUTE BUS DRIVER 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR:

Maria Otani*, Patricia Velasguez*

SUBSTITUTE INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANT 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR:

Ashleigh Prince, Karen Schlefier

SUBSTITUTE SCHOOL NURSE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR:

Francis Brock*

SUBSTITUTE TEACHER 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR:

Zachary Puopolo, Karen Schlefier, Edward Shamah

J. FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE

That the Board approve/ratify the medical leave of absences listed:

INTENTION TO RETURN FROM FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE

EMP ID 4752, effective April 1, 2025.

EMP ID 4187, effective March 14, 2025.

EMP ID 8940, effective March 10, 2025.

EMP ID 5914, effective March 17, 2025.

EMP ID 8481, effective March 3, 2025.

FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE USING SICK DAYS

EMP ID 7888, from October 28, 2024 to February 11, 2025; March 19, 2025 to March 31, 2025.

EMP ID 7662, from February 14, 2025 to March 28, 2025.

FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE USING URGENT BUSINESS DAYS

EMP ID 7888, from February 12, 2025 to February 14, 2025.

FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE USING MINUS SUB PAY DAYS

EMP ID 7888, from March 5, 2025 to March 18, 2025.

FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE USING VACATION DAYS

EMP ID 7888, from February 18, 2025 to February 26, 2025.

FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE USING EXCHANGE DAYS

EMP ID 7888, from February 27, 2025 to March 4, 2025.

REQUEST TO EXTEND FAMILY/MEDICAL LEAVE OF ABSENCE USING UNPAID DAYS

EMP ID. 7892, from September 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026.

K. ATTENDANCE AT CONFERENCES/MEETINGS ATTACHMENT 12

That the Board approve the attendance of staff members at the conferences listed.

Motion by Rick Garlipp, second by Theresa Dangler to approve items 5G - 5K.

Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Dominic Sama, Jon Zimmerman Motion Carries

6. STUDENT ACTION - The Superintendent of Schools recommends the following:

A. APPROVAL OF MONTHLY HIB REPORT P.L. 2010. C. 122 (A-3466)

That the Board approve the monthly report as required by statute.

Monthly HIB Report

Reporting Period - February 20, 2025 - March 13, 2025

Summary:

Total: One (1) investigation, (1) one incident confirmed as HIB

George L. Catrambone School

One (1) investigation, (1) one incident confirmed as HIB

B. <u>RECOMMENDATION FOR PLACEMENT OF OUT OF DISTRICT STUDENTS FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR</u>

That the Board approve/ratify the following placement of out of district students for the 2024-2025 school year:

GARFIELD PARK ACADEMY

Willingboro, N.J. Tuition: \$22,303.26

Trans:

Effective Dates: 3/10/25-6/15/25

ID#: 20281277, classified as Eligible for Special Education & Related Services

C. STUDENT TEACHER/INTERN PLACEMENT

That the individual listed be authorized to conduct their student teaching in the Long Branch Public Schools as indicated during the 2025-2026 school year. Long Branch Public School employees must complete their student teaching and/or internship outside of their contractual hours:

Attending School/Student	Pairing / Location	Attending Dates
Fort Hays University - Francesca Fantini	Carol Emick - Anastasia School	August, 2025 - December 5, 202

D. PLACEMENT OF STUDENTS ON HOME INSTRUCTION - 2024- 2025 SCHOOL YEAR

That the Board approve/ratify the placement of the following students on home instruction for the 2024- 2025 school year:

LearnWell

ID#: 20289358

40 hr. mth @ 68.00/hr = 2720.00 mth

ID#: 20270125

40 hr. mth @ 68.00/hr = 2720.00 mth

ID#: 202810792

40 hr. mth @ 68.00/hr = 2720.00 mth

ID#: 20270484

40 hr. mth @ 68.00/hr = 2720.00 mth

Home Instruction (district)

ID#20303493

ID#20303233

ID#100850440

ID#110850294

ID#20266432

E. FIELD TRIPS - ATTACHMENT 13

That the Board approve the Field Trips indicated below and made part of the permanent minutes upon Board approval.

7. CORRECTIONS/REVISION TO MINUTES

That the Board approve/ratify the following corrections/revision to minutes:

February 26, 2025

Coaching/Athletic Stipend Position - Spring 2025

Varsity softball - Head Coach - \$5,000. This should have read \$8,000.

Baseball - Head Coach - Step 4. This should have read Step 3.

Family/Medical Leave of Absence

EMP# 8449 - This should have read use of unpaid days from January 2, 2025 to June 30, 2025.

January 15, 2025

Field Trips

Long Branch High School - 2/14/2025 - 2/18/2025. This should have read Matthew Appleyard not Susana Abreu.

December 11, 2024

Family/Medical Leave of Absence

EMP# 8092 - This should have read using sick days from January 21, 2025 to January 24, 2025 and unpaid days from January 27, 2025 to May 2, 2025.

EMP# 9905 - This should have read using paid days January 2, 2025 - March 14, 2025.

November 20, 2025

Appointment of Academy Secretary

Kimberly King; Replaces: Isabel Correa (Reassignment) (Acct. #15-000-240-105-000-01-00) (UPC: 0934-01-HSACP-SECY12). This should have read: Replaces: Samantha Rebimbas (Resignation) (Acct. #15-000-218-105-000-01-00) (UPC: 0200-01-HSACP-SEC123).

Annual Stipend Positions - 2024 - 2025 School Year

Kimberly King, After School Academic Programs (ASAP), Safe School (STEAM). This should have read After School Academic Programs (ASAP), Substitute Site Coordinator (STEAM).

Family/Medical Leave of Absence

EMP# 8805, George L. Catrambone School, Instructional Assistant. This should have read use of paid days December 17, 2024 to December 20, 2024.

Coaching/Athletic Stipend Position - Winter 2024

Boys Basketball - Head Coach - This should have read William Sanborn at Step 1, at \$4,100 effective December 1, 2024.

October 16, 2024

Family/Medical Leave of Absence

EMP# 8940, Pupil Personnel Services Social Worker. This should have read use of sick days from November 25, 2024 to December 3, 2024; use of unpaid days from December 4, 2024 to March 10, 2025.

Motion by Theresa Dangler, second by Rick Garlipp to approve items 6A - 7.

Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Dominic Sama, Jon Zimmerman

Not Present at Vote: Joseph M Ferraina

Motion Carries

8. OPPORTUNITY TO ADDRESS THE BOARD ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Kristen Clarke

LBSEA President

Ms. Clarke thanked the Board and the administration for giving back to the staff and students the 3 unused snow days. She stated it is appreciated by the staff. She also stated that adopting district calendars for the next 3 years allows the staff the opportunity to plan ahead and manage child care.

Mr. Sama congratulated Mr. Rodriguez on his recognition by the Board of Commissioners for receiving the 2025 Superintendent of the Year from the New Jersey Association of Latino Administrators and Superintendents . He also congratulated the Amerigo A. Anastasia School for their outstanding presentation, the Long Branch High School Marching Band for being selected to participate in the USA Celebration Parade in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania and Bonnie Monteforte on her retirement.

Mr. Garlipp also congratulated the High School Marching Band and stated that he believes only one band from the State was chosen to participate in this celebration so it is an honor for Long Branch to represent the State.

Mrs. Peters thanked all those in attendance for coming to the meeting.

9. ADJOURNMENT - 6:27 P.M.

Motion by Rick Garlipp, second by Theresa Dangler. Yea: Violeta Peters, Armand Zambrano, Joseph M Ferraina, Rick Garlipp, Tasha Youngblood Brown, Theresa Dangler, Tony Valdiviezo, Dominic Sama, Jon Zimmerman Motion Carries