

# Board of Education “Meeting Highlights”

## March 11, 2014

### **President’s Report...**

BOE president Dr. Janice Elkin’s report included the following:

*Good evening. Since our last regular board meeting we have continued the development of the 2014-2015 school budget. We will be holding a public meeting this Thursday morning at which Dr. Bernhard will review with the board the current state of the proposed budget. The board will then hold public meetings with principals and directors to review budget requests. Tonight, on our agenda we will be acting on resolutions for the budget and board vote as well as Proposition 2, our Capital Reserve Fund Expenditure proposition, which delineates proposed capital projects to be funded by our existing capital reserve fund. Important dates for the board and budget vote can be found on the Budget Calendar which is posted on the district website.*

*Tonight in our Focus on Teaching and Learning we have the pleasure of celebrating Music in Our Schools Month with a performance by some of our High School students and a presentation about our K-12 music curriculum. Also, members of the Seahawks Booster Club have returned this evening to review and answer any additional questions about their proposal to fundraise for a fitness center at the Jr/Sr high school. Once again there will be an opportunity for questions from residents during audience to visitors.*

*At our last work session the board had an opportunity to listen to a detailed presentation of the e-spark program and had a full discussion with consultants from e-spark. We looked at the various protocols that students work on and discussed theoretical and research based outcomes. The session gave us hands on experience with one way in which technology is being integrated in the classroom. The presentation illustrated the complexity and nuances that are involved, as well as the integral part that the teacher plays in maximizing technology’s impact.*

*I would like to congratulate the girl’s varsity basketball team and coach Rory Malone on their tremendous performance against North Shore in the county championships. Although we did not prevail, the game was close, the stands were packed and our girls represented us well. Also, the next day the circus came to CSH, thanks to the CFA and provided an opportunity for residents of all ages, myself included, to have some fun and visit the Jr/ Sr high school.*

### **Superintendent’s Report...**

Dr. Judith A. Wilansky’s report included the following:

*Tonight we celebrate **Music in Our Schools** – where Mr. Gray will present on the progression of our vocal programs throughout the grades. We will also enjoy a live performance from members of our High School **Vocal Chamber Ensemble** under the direction of Andrea Galeno.*

*This is a month for music lovers. Our Lloyd Harbor students will be performing the musical “Beauty and the Beast” on March 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> to be followed by the Jr. High School Musical production of “42<sup>nd</sup> Street” at the end of the month on March 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> up at the HS Performing Arts Center.*

*In addition, Cold Spring Harbor will be the host site of the New York State School Music Association Levels 1-4 festival for our area on March 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> which encompasses the public school districts of Syosset, Jericho, Oyster Bay as well as the St. Dominic's, Our Lady of Mercy, Eastwoods School and Solomon Schechter Middle School.*

*I would be remiss if I did not mention that our Cyberhawks will be competing in the Annual First Robotics Competition at Hofstra University to be held March 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> – it is a place where school spirit exudes and the Cyberhawks will be sure not to disappoint.*

*Please mark your calendars for Thursday, April 24<sup>th</sup> when Cold Spring Harbor will be having its first EdTech Showcase – an event open to the community from 7-9 pm. in the Field House. Be sure to come to see how technology is changing the landscape of the classroom starting in Primary School and continuing all the way up thru High School. It is hard to believe that the Internet has just celebrated its 25<sup>th</sup> birthday --- as it is hard to imagine our lives without the benefits along with the challenges of technology.*

## **Focus on Teaching and Learning...**

### ***1. Music in Our Schools Month***

Phil Gray - Department Chairperson of Music

Stephanie Visceglie

Leah Martin

Andrea Galeno

Student Performing Ensembles

### ***2. Proposal to Fundraise for Construction of High School Fitness Center - Repeat Presentation***

Michael Bongino - Director of Athletics and Physical Education

Mark Margolies - Director of Buildings and Grounds

John Grillo - Architect

Members of Seahawks Booster Club

## **Board Actions...**

**Retirement:** The resignation for the purpose of retirement of Paulette Sands, Teacher Aide, HS, was accepted with appreciation for her years of service to the District.

### **Contracts:**

The Contract for Services between the District and Jacqueline Nealon, Ed.D., Presenter of Financial Aid Workshops at CSHHS for the 2014-15 school year, was approved as submitted.

### **Donations:**

The Board of Education accepted a generous donation of one 60" Sharp television and mount and two 42" Sharp Televisions with mounts from the Lloyd Harbor School PTG at a cost of approximately \$2,300.

### **Appointments:**

The following spring 2014 coaching assignments were approved:

Richard Thau – JH Tennis Boys  
Nicholas Woll – JH Lacrosse Boys  
Rich Haunns – JH Lacrosse Boys  
Ryan Towers – JH Baseball  
Ben Zuk – JH Spring Track  
Craig Marshall – JH Softball Girls  
Jennifer Maccio – JH Softball Girls  
Odysseas Slvolos – JH Lacrosse Girls  
Nick Fengler – JH Lacrosse Girls

Eileen Breaton – was appointed P/T Clerical West Side effective March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Joanne Katz – appointed Leave Replacement Elementary Teacher LH Feb.27<sup>th</sup> – May 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014

### **Budget Transfers:**

The Board of Education approved a budget line item transfer in the 2013-2014 budget to transfer funds to cover the costs of technology instruction consulting services in the amount of \$24,000 from funding obtained through a state legislative grant.

### **Business Matters:**

Co-Curricular Club - Vocal Chamber Ensemble: The Board of Education approved the charter and by-laws for the Vocal Chamber Ensemble as an active co-curricular club operating during the 2013-2014 school year.

### **Tax Anticipation Notes Contract:**

The Board of Education authorized the President of the Board of Education to execute a professional services agreement with Munistat Services, Inc. to provide services relative to the issuance of the District's Tax Anticipation Notes to be issued for the 2014-2015 school year and the filing of the Annual Information Statement as required by SEC Rule 15c2-12 at an inclusive fee of \$9,400 for all services.

### **Annual Budget Meeting and Vote:**

- Adoption of Resolutions for the Annual Budget Hearing Meeting on May 13, 2014, 8 pm.
- The Annual School Budget Vote and election of Three members of the Board of Education will take place on May 20, 2014, 6am – 10pm.

**The following propositions will appear on May 13, 2014 ballot:**

### **PROPOSITION NO. 1**

That the School District budget proposed by the Board of Education in accordance with Section 1716 of the Education Law be adopted.

## **PROPOSITION NO. 2**

Capital Reserve Fund Expenditure (2014-15):

The Board of Education ("Board") of the Cold Spring Harbor Central School District ("District"), is hereby authorized to appropriate and expend from the District's Capital Reserve Fund II, heretofore established by the voters of the District on May 18, 2010, an amount not to exceed One Million Four Hundred Ninety Eight Thousand Two Hundred and Six dollars (\$1,498,206) to undertake and perform a school building improvement project ("Project") substantially as referred to and described in the District's Capital Reserve Project Plan 2014-2015 ("Report") on file and available for public inspection in the office of the District Clerk, all at no additional cost to District taxpayers; said Project to commence during the 2014-2015 school year and to consist of the following capital improvements, renovations and/or alterations at the District's Junior/Senior High School (asbestos floor tile removal, science room renovation, replacement of heating & ventilation motors, bathroom renovation, boiler upgrades in Science and Guidance areas, hot water heater installation, and replacement of existing rooftop A/C unit for Guidance office), Lloyd Harbor School (rebuild condensate recovery equipment, replacement of rooftop vents and underground storm water piping/drywells), West Side School (new ceiling and lighting in Kitchen, removal of existing fiberglass ceiling in store room, relocation of existing back flow preventer, and rebuild/replacement of condensate recovery equipment), Goosehill Primary School (playground replacement and asbestos floor tile removal) and District Wide (replacement of rooftop exhaust fans), and the sites thereof; all of the foregoing to include furnishings, equipment, machinery, demolition and other work required in connection therewith, as well as preliminary costs and costs incidental thereto and to the financing thereof; provided that the detailed costs of the components of the Project as set forth in the Report may be reallocated among such components if the Board of Education shall determine that such reallocation is in the best interests of the District and no material change

### **Please see full Agenda for legal Notices on any of the following:**

- Estimated expenses for the 2014-15 school year.
- Real Property Tax Law exemption report
- Terms for nominating candidates for office of member of the Board of Education
- Voter Registration Requirements
- Absentee Ballot information

### **Transportation contracts approved:**

- The Board of the Education approved the transportation contract extension with Huntington Coach Corp. for the period from September 9, 2013 to June 30, 2014 at a 1.4% increase over the prior year's contract based on the CPI, for regular and handicapped transportation at an anticipated annual cost of \$3,384,990.50 and that the President of the Board of Education be authorized to executive such agreement.

- Transportation Contract - Field Trips & Athletics

The Board of the Education approved the transportation contract extension with Huntington Coach Corp. for the period from September 9, 2013 to June 30, 2014 at a 1.4% increase over the prior year's contract based on the CPI, for athletic and academic field trips at an anticipated cost of \$386,017 and that the President of the Board of Education be authorized to executive such agreement.

## **Special Education Reports:**

### **Contracts...**

The Board of Education of the Cold Spring Harbor Central School District hereby approved the terms and conditions of the following contract between the District and Miller Place Union Free School District

### **Other Matters:**

## **SEQRA Review – for the purpose of required determinations of Capital Improvement Projects:**

### **Goosehill Primary School**

*Replacement of Existing Playground or Safety Surfacing  
Asbestos Floor Tile Removal & VCT Floor Installation*

### **West Side Elementary**

*Furnish & Install new Ceiling & Lighting - Kitchen  
Remove Existing Fiberglass Ceiling Tiles & Install New Ceiling Tiles - Storeroom  
Relocate Existing Back Flow Preventer at Exterior of Building  
Rebuild/Replace Steam Condensate Receivers*

### **Lloyd Harbor Elementary**

*Rebuild Steam Condensate Receivers  
Replace Existing Rooftop Gravity Relief Vents  
Replace Existing Underground Storm Water Piping/Drywells*

### **Cold Spring Harbor Jr./Sr. HS**

*Asbestos Floor Tile Removal & VCT Floor Installation  
Reconstruction of (2) Science Rooms  
Replace Existing “Modutrol” Motors on H & V Units  
Bathroom Renovations  
Boiler Upgrades - Science & Guidance Areas  
Install Domestic Hot Water Heater  
Replace Existing Rooftop A/C Unit - Guidance Office*

### **District Wide**

*Replace Rooftop Exhaust Fans*

## **2013-2014 Revised Calendar Approved**

In order to comply with the state minimum day requirement, the calendar for staff only will be extended one day through June 27<sup>th</sup>. There will be no change in the calendar for students and the last day will remain at June 26<sup>th</sup>.

## **Field Trips:**

### **Lloyd Harbor School 6th Grade Select Chorus Field Trip**

The Board of Education approved a field trip for the Lloyd Harbor School 6th grade select Chorus to participate in the Music in the Parks Festival in the Spring. Location and date to be determined.

### **Seahawks Booster Club Proposal....**

#### **To raise funds to build a Health & Fitness Center at CSHHS :**

Pursuant to the Board's Policy #1800-R "Gifts from the Public and Fundraising on Behalf of School Programs," the Board of Education authorized the Seahawk Booster Club to begin fundraising efforts to collect sufficient funds to build and provide equipment for the proposed Fitness Center. The Seahawk Booster Club is directed to conduct accounting of the results of its fundraising efforts pursuant to instructions provided by the Assistant Superintendent of Business. If the fundraising efforts extend beyond the end of the 2014-2015 school year, such efforts shall be reviewed by the Board of Education on an annual basis to determine the project's continued feasibility and merit.

### **Policy Matters to Review:**

Policy 1530 First Read - Tobacco-Free School Environment Policy  
Policy 5153 First Read - Student Assignment and Classes  
Policy 5300.30 –First Read - Prohibited Student Conduct  
Policy 5300.70 – First Read - Public Conduct on School Property  
Policy 5420 – First Read - Student Health Services  
Policy 5695 – First Read - Students and Personal Electronic Devices  
Policy 5300.65 – Deletion - Visitors to Schools

### **Upcoming Meetings...**

**March 25<sup>th</sup>** – Board of Education Work Session 6:30pm

**April 8<sup>th</sup>** - Board of Education Meeting – 8pm

**April 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Deadline for Petitions for Board of Education Candidates 8:30am – 5pm

Meetings are held at the Francis Roberts Community Center (District Office)  
75 Goose Hill Rd., Cold Spring Harbor  
District web site – [www.csh.k12.ny.us](http://www.csh.k12.ny.us)

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