

Board of Education “Meeting Highlights” August 30, 2016

President’s Report...

BOE President Amelia Brogan’s report included the following:

I hope everyone enjoyed some restorative rest this summer. It is hard to believe in just one week classes will be commencing for the 2016-17 school year. Of course, athletics have already been in full swing for 2 weeks and we look forward to the completion of the track work in the not so distant future.

Our buildings look great!! Thank you to Mr. Margolies and his team for their expert care in maintaining and preparing our buildings and grounds to welcome back our students and staff at all of our schools. In addition to this work, they continued with capital projects around the District. Even this evening, I saw Joe Amendaloro painting lines in the parking lot.

Not only has the District been busy with facilities, our Leadership team and staff have also been busy with many tasks and professional development. The 1:1 Initiative Committee leaders worked hard all summer on preparing the roll out and implementation of our one to one device for all seventh graders. Our teachers have participated in professional development in furtherance of this goal. And Mr. Fenter has been busy as well, meeting with the leadership team, community members, stakeholders and learning about Cold Spring Harbor Schools. Dr. Bellino has been hard at work on curriculum, APPR and our evaluator waiver application while Ms. Campbell, our Assistant Superintendent for Student Services and Human Resources, has set a record on the number of interviews that can be conducted in a month. Of course, Dr. Bernhard continues to keep the Cold Spring Harbor School District on a fiscally sound track.

I want to thank everyone’s tireless efforts in making the Cold Spring Harbor schools the very best they can be. Here’s to a great start to our school year!

Superintendent’s Report...

Robert C. Fenter’s report included the following:

Good evening and welcome back to another exciting school year, one that promises to continue the sense of pride in all that our students and staff accomplish, made possible by the support of our Board of Education, parent organizations, the Cold Spring Harbor Educational Foundation, and the community.

This past summer, as Mr. Margolies will detail towards the end of tonight’s meeting, our facilities continued to be enhanced as it relates to spaces that support our programs, as well as efforts to improve student and staff safety, and finally, to improve energy performance. In

addition, our custodial and grounds staff have been working throughout the summer to be sure that our learning spaces and our fields are ready for the return of our students and teachers. This work has been guided by Dr. Bernhard and Mr. Margolies and we thank them for their hard work. We all know that these efforts and the efforts of our clerical and other support staff are critical to the successful opening and functioning of schools. We thank them all for their important and hard work.

Thank you, also, to all of the building leaders who worked tirelessly over the summer to prepare for the coming school year. The impact of their work will be seen when school opens next week. Thanks also go to our central office team and support staff for their hard work, Dr. Bernhard and Ms. Campbell, and Dr. Bellino. Dr. Bellino has organized the many curriculum efforts over the summer, our recent New Teacher Orientation, and organized our upcoming Superintendent's Conference Days to take place tomorrow and Thursday of this week.

I would also like to take this opportunity to acknowledge that Ms. Erin Goldthwaite's appointment as District CSE Chairperson is on the agenda for the Board's consideration this evening. Ms. Goldthwaite has been providing outstanding leadership in her previous position as Chairperson of Special Education at the Jr/Sr High School and now will assume greater responsibilities for the special education program in our district. Congratulations to Ms. Goldthwaite.

Also this summer, Dr. Bernhard has been working with our school leaders to prepare for new state regulations related to safety in our schools. As you know, Cold Spring Harbor has been at the forefront of ensuring that we have strong security personnel in our schools along with the most updated technology to support that effort. To fulfill the new state requirements, we will be reformatting our safety plans to meet a new standard state format as well as convening a district-wide safety committee, the members of which are listed in an agenda item to be considered by the Board later in this meeting. Our Board policy committee has already begun the process of updating our safety policy, which Mrs. Elkin will be reviewing as a 'first read' later in this meeting, and we are working with our building principals to ensure that our staff is provided with some additional training that is required by the new regulations. I consider safety an area of great strength for our school district, but one that is important to revisit on a regular basis to ensure the safety of all of our staff and students.

For those who are regular attendees of our Board of Education meetings, you will notice that the Board is considering the approval of our District Goals this evening. I will review these goals, along with the help of my colleagues, in greater detail later in the meeting. Our agenda also provides time for community members to ask any questions, or to make suggestions, prior to their approval. I would also like the community to know that our Board has engaged in a thoughtful process in which they and our school leaders have had significant input in selecting goals that they believe will enhance our educational program for our students in the coming year. After they are reviewed this evening, I believe that you will agree that these goals are worthy of devoting our time and energy in the coming school year.

When I arrived in Cold Spring Harbor a few months ago, I learned of the work that had been taking place regarding the implementation of a 1:1 computing model in our schools. After much input and hard work, we will be beginning this endeavor with the use of Chromebooks in

7th grade later this year. I will speak more about this later in the agenda, but I did want to take this opportunity to sincerely thank the Cold Spring Harbor Educational Foundation, led by Stephanie DiNozzi, for their incredibly generous gift in support of this important educational initiative. Our students will benefit greatly from your generosity.

I would personally like to thank the Board of Education for their tireless support over this past summer during what has been a spirited transition period for my superintendency. I would also like to thank all of the leaders, teachers, parents, and others with whom I have met, for their kind welcome and wishes for a successful school year. I am now looking forward to becoming part of the fabric of the Cold Spring Harbor community and look forward to seeing many of you at games, in the classrooms, and at special events in the year ahead. Thank you...

Focus on Teaching and Learning...

District Goals - 2016-2017 Adopted

1. **Instruction:** To provide students with “Voice and Choice” in all subject areas and grade levels in an effort to enhance the many efforts of our teaching staff to differentiate instruction for our students.

To further integrate the ‘Inquiry Model’ of instruction into the social studies program by providing students with opportunities to examine, analyze, and ultimately take action on issues that are of concern to our community, nation, and world.

2. **Technology:** To begin the implementation of a 1:1 computing model in all 7th grade classes and to expand the model to grades 8 and 9 by the start of the 2017/18 school year and to grades 10-12 by the start of the 2018/19 school year.
3. **Health/Wellness/Safety:** To reinforce the importance of social and emotional learning as a critical component of our district’s efforts to ensure that our schools are inclusive and caring learning communities that are free from the impact of bullying or harassment.
4. **Facilities:** To address the needs of our physical education, wellness, and athletic programs by exploring the possibility of a bond referendum to construct a facility at the Jr/Sr High School.
5. **Finance:** To assess the long term financial implications of the state imposed tax cap on the Cold Spring Harbor School District especially as it relates to possible CPI limits well below the allowable 2%.

Board Actions...

Resignations:

- **Andrew Rosenberg** - The resignation of Andrew Rosenberg, Director of Guidance, was accepted effective December 9, 2016.
- **Lauren Blackburn** - The resignation of Lauren Blackburn, Teacher Aide, HS, was accepted effective August 30, 2016.
- **Maryellen Olsen**, Teacher Assistant, WS, was accepted effective August 29, 2016.
- **Cheryl Feldman**, Teacher Aide, HS, was accepted effective August 29, 2016.
- **Carole Schaul**, The resignation for the purpose of retirement of Carole Schaul, School Nurse, - WS, was accepted effective August 24, 2016 with appreciation for her years of service to the District.
- **Edward Klobus**, Driver Education Instructor, was accepted effective August 8, 2016.
- **Holly Pasqualetto**, L/R Speech Pathologist, GHP, was accepted effective July 29, 2016.
- **Anne M. Queally Bechand**, P/T Clerk Typist, was accepted effective July 15, 2016.

Appointments:

District-Wide Chairperson for Special Education - Erin Goldthwaite

This is a four-year probationary appointment in the tenure area of District-Wide Chairperson for Special Education effective August 31, 2016 through August 30, 2020 subject to applicable laws and regulations

Meryl Landau: Social Studies Teacher HS. This is a four-year probationary appointment in the tenure area of Social Studies effective August 31, 2016, subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure. *pending receipt/verification of Official Transcripts

Sheila Mauriello Earth Science Teacher HS. This is a four-year probationary appointment in the tenure area of Science effective August 31, 2016 subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure.

Carly Bock: Leave Replacement Biology Teacher HS. Ms. Bock will act as Leave Replacement for the First Semester of the 2016-17 school year. *Pending receipt of Official Transcripts

Giuseppe Alviano: P/T Teacher Aide; P/T Physical Education Teacher HS. Effective Date: August 31, 2016 through June 30, 2017

Marisa L. Shlomo Leave Replacement Speech Pathologist, Mrs. Shlomo will act as Leave Replacement for the 2016-17 school year.

Beth Chase-Schuman Leave Replacement School Psychologist, Dr. Chase-Schuman will act as Leave Replacement for the First Semester of the 2016-17 school year.

Diana Marlow School Nurse WS, Effective Date: September 19, 2016

Christine Lopez Title: Teacher Assistant WS, This is a four-year probationary appointment in the tenure area of Teacher Assistant effective August 31, 2016 subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure.

Alexandra Guarino Teacher Assistant WS, This is a four-year probationary appointment in the tenure area of Teacher Assistant effective August 31, 2016 subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure.

Danielle Loria Title: Teacher Assistant GH, This is a four-year probationary appointment in the tenure area of Teacher Assistant effective August 31, 2016 subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure

Lauren Blackburn Title: Teacher Assistant HS, This is a four-year probationary appointment in the tenure area of Teacher Assistant effective August 31, 2016 subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure

Teacher Aid appointments: Brid Foley (GH), Dana Alessi (LH), Luciana Sini (LH), Elizabeth Manning (HS), Melanie Raso (HS), Lori Furnell (HS), Toni DeMaio (HS), Effective Dates: August 31, 2016 through June 30, 2017

Lorie Siegel Title: P/T ENL Teacher GH, Effective Date: August 31, 2016 through June 30, 2017

Brent Chiarello was appointed Music Department Chairperson for the 2016- 17 school year.

Andria McLaughlin was appointed Art Dept. Chairperson for the 2016-17 school year.

Ferne Chase was appointed Elementary AIS Coordinator, LH, for the 2016- 17 school year.

Jeanette Wojcik was appointed Elementary AIS Coordinator, WS, for the 2016-17 school year.

Edward Klobus and Mark Burkowsky were appointed Driver Education Instructors at CSHHS for the 2016-17 school year.

Sandra Stedjan was appointed GHP Permanent Building Substitute for the 2016-17 school year.

Thomas Walsh was appointed Permanent Substitute at CSHHS for the 2016- 17 school year.

Deborah Levesque was appointed Elementary/District Webmaster (Pos. No. 157a) for the 2016-17 school year

Philip Gray was appointed Teacher On Special Assignment at Lloyd Harbor School for the 2016-17 school year, and also was appointed Lead Teacher, LH (Co-Curricular Pos. No. 159b) for the 2016-17 school year

Fall coaching assignments approved at CSHHS for the 2016-17 school year:

Thomas Walsh - JV Tennis (G)
Kelly Boyle - V Crew Asst.
Carmine Rotolo - JH Soccer (B)
Rachel Silverman - JH Field Hockey
Bruce Modnick - JH Tennis (G)

Co-Curricular appointments at CSHHS approved for the 2016-17 school year:

Jeanne Glynn - Asst. Debate & Forensic Club
Marty Colucci - Scheduling Coordinator
Jerry Felker - Jr. High Jazz Ensemble
Robin DelucaAcconi - Holocaust Project - Split
Joanna Waters - Holocaust Project - Split
Jessica Ranieri - 8th Grade Wash. Trip Asst.
Brian Schiffmacher - JH Activities Coordinator
Christopher Topping - Student Activity
Merritt MonckRowley - Student Activity - Split
Kristen Wilkens - Student Activity - Split
Cynthia Scudieri - Student Activity - Split
Marissa Puleo - Student Activity - Split
Jennifer Pickering - Student Activity - Split
Laurie Conlon - Student Activity - Split
Christopher Phelan - Student Government - HS - Split
Maria Segura - Student Government - HS - Split
Karen Uhl-Smith - Newspaper - HS
Laura Cirino - Yearbook Jr. High
Christine Oswald - Year Book High School
Maria Segura - National Honor Society - Split
Jaak Raudsepp - National Honor Society - Split
Patricia Sihksnel - Pep Club Student Booster - Split
Jessica Ranieri - Pep Club Student Booster - Split
Michael Andrews - Model Congress
Brigid Victorson - Mathletes - Jr. High
Michael Andrews - Debate & Forensic Club
Anthony Pesca - AV Coordinator - HS
Andrea Galeno - HS Choir & Jazz Singers
Gerald Felker - Football Band
Gerald Felker - Sr. High Jazz Ensemble
April Henry - SHS Literary Magazine
Christopher Homer - SADD/SWAT - Split
Judy Innella - SADD/SWAT - Split
Deanna Diaz - Science Club
Laura Cirino - Art Club Advisor
Paula Gozelski - French Club
Kathleen Fristensky - Spanish Club - Split
Kelly Jordan - Spanish Club - Split
Bob Colascione - Student Activity Treasurer
Jaak Raudsepp - Jr. High Brainstormers
Jaak Raudsepp - Sr. High Brainstormers
Christine Villanti - Citizenship Room
Keith Miller - College Essay Writing Supv. (Sem. 1) - Split
April Henry - College Essay Writing Supv. (Sem. 1) - Split

Keith Miller - College Essay Writing Supv. (Sem. 2) - Split
April Henry - College Essay Writing Supv. (Sem. 2) - Split
Dan Josenhans Chess Club Advisor
Merritt Monck Rowley - International Club - Split
Rebecca Koob - International Club - Split
Andrea Galeno - Drama Club
Maria Segura -Technology Club (Sr. Slide Show)
Anthony Pesca - Federal Reserve Challenge
Christopher Conklin - CSHHS Webmaster
Christopher Topping - JH History Club
Robin DelucaAcconi - Gay-Straight Alliance - Split
Joana Waters - Gay-Straight Alliance - Split
Melissa McLees - HS Musical Director
Bailey Whitney - HS Musical Choreographer
Andrea Galeno -HS Musical Vocal Director
Bailey Whitney - HS Musical Technical Director.
Brent Chiarello - HS Musical Pit Band Director
Jessica Ranieri - JHS Musical Director
Jessica Ranieri - JHS Musical Choreographer
Andrea Galeno -JHS Musical Vocal Director
Bailey Whitney - JHS Musical Technical Director
Brent Chiarello - JHS Musical Pit Band Director
Laura Cirino - JH Musical - Set Director
Bailey Whitney - JH Musical - Business Director
Jeffrey Cootner - JH Mock Trial
Bailey Whitney - HS Musical - Set Director
Christine Oswald - HS Musical - Business Director
Keith Miller - Coffeeshouse Jam
Keith Miller - Improv/Comedy
Kathleen Fristensky -Locks of Love
Christopher Homer - Natural Helpers - Split
Tina Velez - Natural Helpers - Split
Francyne Lanteri - Natural Helpers - Split
Christopher Conklin - Warhammer Club
Jeanne Glynn - Book Club - Split
Joanna Waters - Book Club - Split
Erin Oshan - Environmental Club
Andrea Galeno - JH Drama Club
Tina Velez - Peer Mentor - Split
Maureen Blechschmidt - Peer Mentor - Split

Hourly Rate Clubs:

Animal Rescue Club - Kristen Wilkens, Merritt MonckRowley, Jack Healy
Baking Club - Jennifer Pickering Myra Georgiou
Community Service - Allison Halloran
Computer Science - Melissa McLees
Dungeons & Dragons - Chris Conklin
Fashion Club - Bailey Whitney
FBLA - Patricia Connolly
FLAG (Fight Like a Girl)- Jeanne Glynn Joana Waters
HS Drama (fall) - Director - Andrea Galeno
HS Drama (fall) -Technical Director - Andrea Galeno

HS Drama (fall) - Business Director - Bailey Whitney
Jr. Natural Helpers - Tina Velez
Knitting for the Needy - Vincent Natale
Marine Bio - Erin Oshan
Model United Nations - Vincent Natale
Political Science Club - Vincent Natale
Outreach 7-8 - Jennifer Pickering
Photography Club - Christine Oswald
Stock Market Club - Anthony Pesca

Personnel Contracts:

1. **Memorandum of Agreement - Administrator's** - The Board of Education approved the attached Memorandum of Agreement dated August 30, 2016, between the Cold Spring Harbor Central School District and the Association of Cold Spring Harbor Administrators, to modify the July 1, 2013 to June 30, 2019 negotiated agreement, to include the position of District-Wide Chairperson for Special Education.
2. **James Thompson:** The Contract for Services between the District and James Thompson, **PAC Assistant**, for the 2016-17 school year when presence is required at concerts and/or events was approved as submitted.
3. **Employment Contract - Denise Campbell:** The Board of Education approved the employment contract for Denise Campbell, Assistant Supt. for Student Services and Human Resources for the period from July 13, 2016 to June 30, 2017 and that the President of the Board of Education was authorized to execute such agreement.

Donations:

1. **Cold Spring Harbor Educational Foundation** - the Board of Education accepted the generous donation in the amount of \$100,904.40 from the Cold Spring Harbor Educational Foundation for the purpose of purchasing Chromebooks, cases, and carts for the 1:1 technology project during the 2016-2017 school year.
2. The Board of Education accepted the generous donation of a **1999 Yamaha Upright Piano valued at \$5,000 from Ms. Patti Mahder** for the use of the Music Department.

Contracts:

Summer Transportation Contract

The Board of the Education approved a Summer Handicapped Transportation Contract with Eastern Suffolk BOCES for student placements, as determined by the CSE, for the period from July 1, 2016 to August 31, 2016 at a cost of \$27,000 and that the President of the Board of Education was authorized to executive such agreement

The Board of Education of the Cold Spring Harbor Central School District approved the terms and conditions of the following contract between the District and the following **agencies or independent providers:**

Humanistic Consultants

Carolyn Buechler

Foundations Occupational Therapy

All About Kids/Midisland Therapy

Kids First Spectrum Services

Change Order:

The Board of Education approved change order #2 with **Locust Valley Electric of Glen Cove, New York**, the electrical contractor on the Lloyd Harbor reconstruction project, SED #58-04-02-06-0-002-028, in the net amount of \$4,510 for the labor and materials to install smoke detectors and addressable relays 17 with connection to existing line voltage door holders.

Disposal of Equipment:

1. **The Board of Education declare obsolete the following computer equipment:**
275 computers, 13 monitors, 21 projectors, 7 printers/fax/scanners and 3 UPS devices, and 53 servers/network switches/routers and miscellaneous electronics as listed in the attached e-mail memorandum dated August 8, 2016 from Mr. John Contess, Director of Technology.
2. The Board of Education declared that **3 Fusion Writers and 3 Eee PCs are ready for disposal**, as listed on the attached.

Other Matters: District Wide Safety Committee

The Board of Education appoint the following members to the district-wide safety team for the 2016-2017 school year.

Board of Education Representative, President (Board of Education)

Superintendent of Schools, Robert C. Fenter

Assistant Superintendent for Business (Chief Emergency Officer), William Bernhard

Administrator Representative, Joseph Monastero

Teacher Representative, Brian Schiffmacher

Director of Facilities, Mark Margolies

Parent Organization Representative, Sarah Trust

Security Supervisor, Frank Papillo

Policies:**Second Read**

1. Policy 2120 - School Board Elections Second Read & Adoption
2. Policy 5220 - School-Sponsored Student Expression Second Read & Adoption

First Read

1. Policy 1900 - Parent and Family Engagement
2. Policy 5151 - Homeless Children
3. Policy 5300.60 - Searches & Interrogations
4. Policy 6700-R - Purchasing Regulation
5. Policy 8130 - School Safety Plans and Teams

For the full Agenda – please visit the Board of Education on the website

Upcoming Meetings...

September 13th –Board of Education Meeting – 8pm

September 27th – Board of Education Work Session – 7:30pm

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)