

Board of Education “Meeting Highlights”

August 29, 2017

President’s Report...

BOE President Mark McAteer’s report included the following:

It won’t be long until the kids arrive, the buses pour in and it’s show time. We will be seeing excited faces of children and young adults as they jump into fresh experiences, as children get a new locker, a new mix of lunch time friends, new teachers and perhaps even a new school. And it’s all so new, new, new. For many of us in this room, we know that the brand-new feeling has taken a long time with years of planning and much work. Our grounds, custodial, and construction team have been devoted to making a smooth kick-off and I would like to recognize and thank Mark Margolies & his team for the very hard work that they have been doing over this busy Summer. We have also just welcomed numerous new team members to our district and I would like to acknowledge some of them now. Jim Bolen, Junior-Senior High School Principal, Director of STEM, Meridyth Hanson, Director of Humanities, Theresa Donahue, and Assistant Superintendent of Business, James Stucchio. In addition, we have on-boarded numerous new teachers who were welcomed at a breakfast introduction last Thursday. They will be trained over the next 4 years, in part, with our Teacher Mentoring Program. The new teachers received their mentoring handbook and met their mentors as we launched this exciting new initiative. This is also when we reluctantly say “goodbye: to our long-serving, devoted colleague, Dr. Bill Bernhard. I want to thank him formally for his 11 years of truly outstanding service. Bill, we are excited for you, but you will be sorely missed. And lastly, as is prudent to do so, we are evaluating the recently released state assessment scores. We are trying to make sense of them given the opt-out rate and what we know is incomplete data. It is in our interest to make use of this information, as well as the Regents & AP scores, to be self-reflective and when necessary, to be self-critical. Dr. Lydia Bellino will be making a formal public presentation on this topic at the Board of Education workshop meeting on September 26th. So that is where we stand. Having enjoyed some parts of the Summer, although it has not all been down-time for much of our team. And now we are ramped up and ready for the opening bell.

Superintendent’s Report...

Robert C. Fenter’s report included the following:

Good evening and welcome back to another exciting school year ahead. I wanted to echo the sentiments of our Board of Education president, Mr. McAteer, when I say thank you to our Buildings and Grounds staff, led by Mr. Margolies, for all of their outstanding efforts to prepare our buildings for a successful school year ahead. Our crew is one that works very hard over the summer, all for the benefit of our students.

I would also like to welcome our new staff members who will be starting their careers in Cold Spring Harbor - as Mr. McAteer shared with our new teachers at our recent new teacher orientation, we have high expectations for your work, but we are here to support you the whole way...

Finally, I would like to express my appreciation to all of our leaders who have been working so diligently, some of whom just starting working here a few short months ago, to prepare for the new school year. Our new leaders have something in common with our more veteran leaders:

they are so excited about the work that they are doing that their enthusiasm is expressed in all that they do. I look forward to the Board of Education hearing more from all of our leaders throughout the year during our 'Focus on Teaching and Learning' segments.

Wishing everyone a successful school year ahead!

Board Actions...

Resignations:

Teacher Aides: Dana Alessi (LH), Christine Power (GH), Elizabeth Manning, Kacey Wallace.
Teacher Assistants: Maria Ball (LH)

Appointments:

Thomas Walsh, Leave Replacement Physical Education Teacher HS effective 8/30/17
Stephanie Messana, P/T Music Teacher LH effective 8/30/17 through June 30, 2018
Dawn Fox, 12 Month Clerk Typist DO effective Aug. 14, 2017

HS Co-Curricular 2017-18 appointments approved:

T. Chanphanitpornkit – JHS Musical Pit Band Director
Marc Beja – JHS Drama Club

LH Co-Curricular 2017-2018 appointments:

Stephanie Messana – Elementary Choir/Recital & Harbortones

HS Fall Coaching 2017-2018 approved:

Mark Greene – Varsity Football Asst.
Kenya Garrett – JV Football
Michael Passuello – JV Football Asst.
Carmine Rotolo – JV B Soccer (B) –
Jamie Ackerman – Varsity Field Hockey (G)
Rhianna Bozzi – Varsity Crew Asst.
Katielynn Romano – JV Cheerleading Fall

JH Fall Coaching approved 2017-2018

Tom Powers – JH Football
Michael Ferrugiari – JH Football
Anthony Servidio – JH Soccer
Gary Franklin – JH Soccer (B)
Tom Walsh – JH Soccer (B)
Kristin Wilkens – JH Cross Country
Dan Kelly – JH Swimming (G)
Lori Messina – JH Field Hockey
Melanie Raso – JH Tennis
Peter Linderman – JH Tennis (G)
Maureen Lynch – JH Soccer (G)

Ody Svolos – JH Soccer (G)
Rory Malone – JH Soccer (G)
Mike Marino – JH Ice Hockey

Mentors approved for the 2017-2018 School Year:

Robin Acconi
Maureen Blechschmidt
Bob Colascione
Susana Condell
Heather Daniels
Heather Friedland
Jeanne Glynn
Chris Homer
Joanne Katz
Christian Lynch
Melissa McLees
Merritt Monk-Rowley
Wendy Moss
Anthony Pesca
Jess Raniere
Michelle Riggles
Rachel Schnurr
Kerrie Vujeva
Jeannette Wojcik

[Kacey Wallace](#) – Teacher Assistant GH effective Aug 30th. This is a four-year probationary appointment in the tenure area of Teacher Assistant effective August 30, 2017 through August 29, 2021 subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure

[Rose Linehan](#) – Teacher Aide GH effective Aug 30th – June 30th 2018

[Alexandra Falzetti](#) - Teacher Aide LH effective Aug 30th – June 30th 2018

[Rachel Kozeletz](#) - Teacher Assistant LH effective Aug 30th. This is a four-year probationary appointment in the tenure area of Teacher Assistant effective August 30, 2017 through August 29, 2021 subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure

[Kim Criscuola](#) – Leave Replacement Teacher Assistant LH effective Aug 30th – Nov. 21, 2017

[Joanne LaTourette-Evangelist](#) - Teacher Aide HS effective Aug 30th – June 30, 2018

[Kerrin Harvan](#) – Teacher Aide LH effective Aug 30th – June 20, 2018

Personnel Contracts:

[Joseph Ferrante](#) - The Contract for Services between the District and Joseph Ferrante, Musical Accompanist, LH, was approved for the 2017-18 school year.

Christopher McKee - The Contract for Services between the District and Christopher McKee as Musical Accompanist LH, Musical Director LH 5th Grade Production, and Musical Director LH 6th Grade Production were approved for the 2017-18 school year.

Michael McCristall - The Contract for Services between the District and Michael McCristall, Athletic Trainer, for the 2017-18 school year was approved as submitted.

Distinctive Educator's Institute - The Contract for Services between the District and Distinctive Educator's Institute, provider of professional development focused on reading instruction to the K-2 staff, for the 2017-18 school year was approved as submitted.

Avishag Reisman - The Contract for Services between the District and Avishag Reisman, provider of Social Studies curriculum development to the, for the 2017-18 school year was approved as submitted.

Educational Mathematics Curriculum Consulting - The Contract for Services between the District and Educational Mathematics Curriculum Consulting, provider of Math curriculum professional development to the staff, for the 2017-18 school year was approved as submitted.

Additional Business Matters:

1. **Fund Balance Transfer** - The Board of Education, pursuant to the provisions of Education Law Section 3653, approved the transfer from the unappropriated 2016-2017 fund balance \$1,080,000 into the voter approved Capital Reserve Fund III fund authorized by the voters on May 19, 2015.

2. **Appointment Of Claims Auditor** - The Board of Education appointed David Grant as the Board of Education Claim's Auditor from September 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 as authorized by Section 1724 of New York State Education Law. .

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 the following agencies or independent providers:

Islip Tutoring Service

Syosset Central School District

Mill Neck Manor School for the Deaf

Developmental Disabilities Institute

Sub-Allocation Contracts

Variety Child Learning Center

School for Language & Communication

County of Suffolk

Nassau Suffolk Services for the Autistic

Mill Neck Manor School for the Deaf

Mid Island Therapy

Kidz Therapy Services

Hagedorn Little Village School

School for Language & Communication

Developmental Disabilities Institute Inc.

Brookville Center for Children's Services

Bilinguals Inc.

ACDS, Inc.

Field Trips

Overnight Field Trips 2017-2018 approved:

Girls Soccer Herkimer College Hall of Fame Soccer Tournament September 9th-10th

Cross Country Briarwood Invitational Philadelphia, PA September 15th-17th

Cross Country Brown Invitational Rhode Island October 13th-15th

Girls Basketball KSA Tournament Disney World Orlando, FL December 26th-31st

Wrestling Eastern States Invitational Sullivan Community College January 13th-14th

Boys Lacrosse Virginia April 3rd-6th

Girls Track Myrtle Beach April 3rd-7th

Girls Track Penn Relays April 25th-28th

8th Grade Washington D.C. Trip May 21st-24th

HS Music Disney Trip Orlando, FL March 2nd-5th

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

Upcoming Meetings...

Sept. 12th–Board of Education Meeting – 8pm

Sept. 26th – Board of Education Work Session – 7:30 pm

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