

Board of Education “Meeting Highlights”

March 12, 2019

President’s Report...

BOE President Ingrid Wright’s report included the following:

This past week, I had the pleasure of attending the 4th Annual International Night hosted by our high school’s International Club. What a wonderful night to celebrate culture and diversity in our community! Guests were treated to cultural performances, music and delicious ethnic cuisine. It was a great night enjoyed not only by our students, but also by many parents, siblings, grandparents and staff members. Special thanks to the advisors and students that put together this celebration of diversity.

Our Varsity Hockey team is in attendance tonight to be honored for capturing the Nassau County Championship Title. Congratulations to the team and coaches on this well-deserved title!

Tonight, we will also have a presentation from Joe Monastero, Executive Director for Instructional and Administrative Technology, and members of our teaching staff to highlight our advances in technology in the classroom and to showcase the new Promethean Boards that are being introduced to our classroom learning environments. All four of our buildings currently have Promethean Boards and we are working toward rolling out additional boards to classrooms in the coming years. Thank you to Mr. Monastero for his leadership in this area and to our staff for coming tonight to show us the latest learning tools.

Our capital projects committee has continued to meet in order to plan for long-term infrastructure projects and a proposed bond referendum. We are looking for resident feedback in regard to a potential bond issuance. We will be sending an email with a link to a bond survey. This email will be sent to all residents that currently have children attending our schools. In addition, district office will be mailing all residents a postcard with the instructions on how to access the online bond survey. Please be sure to take the time to complete this quick survey so that your voice is heard in this planning process. As we continue to plan for next year’s budget, we will be having a budget workshop meeting on Tuesday, March 26th to review building levels budgets. Please mark your calendars for this important meeting.

Superintendent’s Report...

Robert C. Fenter’s report included the following:

This week Mr. Simon and I had the opportunity to visit the unveiling of the new Goosehill mural, located on the doors on the stage in the cafeteria, that was designed by our students and painted by a resident artist, Bren Bataclan. Mr. Bataclan was an inspiring force for our students as he worked closely with Ms. McLaughlin, Ms. Herschlein, the parent leaders, and the entire staff of the school. What was amazing about this experience is the artist’s ability to capture the thoughts, spirit, and humor of our youngest students and translate it into a most impressive work of art! Thanks to Ms. Herschlein for spearheading this effort and to the Goosehill PTG for their

support of this wonderful experience for our students. The arts truly are alive and well in Cold Spring Harbor.

In advance of tonight's presentation on the use and plans to expand the deployment of Promethean Boards in our school district, I would like to thank Mr. Monastero for his leadership in the important area of instructional technology as well as Mr. Simon for his efforts to design professional learning experiences that support our teachers' use of technology in their classrooms. I would also like to thank Ms. Urso and Dr. Colascione for being here this evening to share their experiences with the use of the Promethean Board as well as to highlight their leadership with their colleagues in this area. I look forward to tonight's presentation that will reinforce what we believe in Cold Spring Harbor about the role that technology should play in our classrooms. That is, to support student-centered learning, collaboration, and research. By providing powerful tools such as Chromebooks and Promethean Boards to our teachers, our students are more engaged in their own learning process and this technology also allows our teachers to know more about what our students are learning. Our journey in the area of instructional technology is one that has been a combined effort that continues to have a positive impact on our students. My thanks to the Board of Education for their support of our technology efforts, Mr. Monastero, Mr. Simon, all of our leaders for their tireless work to support our teachers and to the teacher leaders who have taught their colleagues at professional development days and, finally, the Cold Spring Harbor Educational Foundation who provided the financial support for several of the Promethean Boards that we are utilizing in our schools today.

I would also like to take this opportunity to congratulate our Nassau County Champion Varsity Hockey Team. I have to say that attending the first playoff game was perhaps one of the most exciting high school sporting events I have seen in my career. I am also proud of the fan support that the team received during their playoff run. Thanks to the coaches for their hard work with our players and congratulations again.

Looking forward to the many concerts, events and ceremonies in the weeks and months ahead. My thanks to our leaders for their hard work to make every day special for our students and to our teachers for the quality instruction that they provide in the classroom. And as always, my thanks also to the Board of Education for their continued support.

Recognitions...

Varsity Ice Hockey Team 2019 Nassau County Champions

Focus on Teaching and Learning....

Technology Update

Kurt Simon, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum & Instruction

Joseph Monastero, Executive Director for Instructional & Administrative Technology

Board Actions...

Resignations:

Sandra Garrison, Clerk Typist, HS was accepted, effective March 22, 2019

Donna Cohen, Teacher 2 Aide, LH was accepted, effective June 30, 2019 for the purpose of retirement.

Appointments:

Meghan Cuff: Leave Replacement Library Media Specialist LH, February 14 - June 30, 2019

Jonathan Woods: Leave Replacement School Counselor HS, September 1, 2019 – June 30, 2020

Jessie Moran was appointed JHS Musical Pit Band Director

Personnel Contracts:

John Zaccari, musical accompanist, WS

Additional Business Matters:

1. **Contract - Conduct Building Condition Survey in 2020:** Contract with John A. Grillo, Architect, P.C. to conduct a state mandated building condition survey.
2. **Professional Services Agreement - CBIZ Valuation Group, LLC:** Contract to update the asset valuation of the district buildings and contents.
3. **SEQRA Determination for the 2019-2020 Capital Improvement Plan:** An environmental review resolution was adopted pertaining to the proposed 2019-20 capital improvement projects as follows:

COLD SPRING HARBOR JUNIOR/SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL · Reconstruction of the Field House Locker Rooms.

DISTRICT WIDE · Installation of Door Alarms, Security Locks, Security Cameras, Security Systems, Bullet-Resistant Glass, Security Doors, Door Hardening Equipment, Access Control Doors, Gates, and Fencing

4. **Annual Meeting and Board Member Election:**
The Annual District Election shall be held on Tuesday, May 21, 2019 at the Cold Spring Harbor Jr./Sr. High School Field House between the hours of 6:00 am and 10:00 pm for the purpose of electing two members of the Board of Education; voting upon the 2019-20 proposed school district budget; voting on a Capital Reserve Fund Expenditure; and to vote on any other matter which may regularly be proposed for voting therein accordance with law.
An Annual Public Budget Hearing shall be held on May 14, 2019 for the purpose of discussion of the expenditure of funds and the budgeting thereof for school purposes for the 2019-20 school year, at the District Office in the Francis Roberts Community Center at 8:00 pm.
5. **Capital Reserve Funds Expenditure:** The Board of Education has determined that there is a need to undertake certain capital improvements, renovations and/or alterations in the District's buildings and facilities to commence during the 2019-20 school year in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$1,200,000, as described in the District's 2019-20

Capital Improvement Plan on file and available for public inspection in the office of the District Clerk.

PROPOSITION NO. 2 (Capital Reserve Fund Expenditure Proposition): established by the voters of the District on May 18, 2015, an amount not to exceed Five Hundred Thousand dollars (\$500,000) for that purpose, with the balance of the Project costs (an amount not to exceed \$700,000) to be funded by budgetary appropriations for that purpose in the proposed 2019-20 Annual Budget, subject to voter approval.

6. *E-Waste Recycling:* A contract with Upcycle for the recycling of e-waste.

Special Education Reports:

Contracts approved between the District and the following agencies or independent providers:

Long Island Tutorial Services

Solomon, Ilene, Ph.D.

Other Matters:

Nominations for BOCES Vote

The Board of Education nominated Western Suffolk BOCES Board of Education candidates Ilene Herz and Maryann Zumpano for reelection to three year terms from July 1, 2019 through June 30, 2022. The election for these positions will be held on Tuesday, April 30, 2019.

Policies:

1. Policy 4311.1 - Display of Flag - Second Read & Adoption
2. Policy 4311.1-R Display of the Flag - Regulation Adoption

Discussion:

Seahawk Booster Club - Snack Shack Phase II

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

Upcoming Meeting(s)...

March 26 – Board of Education Work Session – 6:30pm

April 9 –Board of Education Meeting/Budget Adoption – 8pm

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