

Board of Education “Meeting Highlights”

June 13, 2017

President’s Report...

BOE President Amelia Brogan’s report included the following:

It is always amazing what our students and staff achieve. Again, congratulations to the boys’ varsity lacrosse team who became the 1st L.I. boys program to ever win three consecutive state titles. Also, it was a privilege to honor and present Liz Lynch with the Exemplary Service Award recognizing her outstanding service to this district. We are very lucky to have her. We also are looking forward to acknowledging fifteen students who have the highest grade point averages in their class at the end of their junior year. Shortly, each of these students will be presented with a Book Award. We look forward to these recognitions. This past Sunday was the High School graduation. It was a beautiful day and very HOT! As usual, Mr. Matuk and our faculty and staff did a wonderful job. The students’ “Reflections” and musical programs were fabulous. This graduation was especially notable, as it was Mr. Matuk’s last and Mr. Fenter’s first. Importantly, we would also like to thank this community for supporting our school budget. Without your support, we would not be able to provide to our students the great educational experiences and extra-curricular activities that we do. We are so proud of this community and the fact that our budget passed with over 70% of the votes. On a broader subject, yesterday, the Board of Regents voted to reduce from three days to two days the time allotted to give state assessments in English Language Arts and math in grades three through eight. Thus, the English and math tests would each be given over two days rather than three. We’ll have to see what impact this will have on the number of students who opt-out. And as I promised to report on the 8th grade trip to Wash., D.C., it was wonderful. It was packed full of sightseeing, museums and historical sites. Thank you to Mr. Monastero and his team for a memorable time! Finally, as this is our last regularly scheduled Board meeting of the 2016-17 school year, we wish everyone a warm, sunny and healthy summer with family and friends. Of course, we invite you to attend our work session this Friday to hear about our five-year outlook presented by Dr. Bernhard, and to our meetings in July and August.

Superintendent’s Report...

Robert C. Fenter’s report included the following:

I would like to congratulate all of our Book Award winners, the members and coaches of the Boys Lacrosse team and Mr. Bongino for their success at their 'threepeat' performance in Rochester, our Board trustee, Mrs. Wright, for her certificate of distinction, and Ms. Liz Lynch for her honor this evening receiving the Exemplary Service Award. Cold Spring Harbor is a special place because we not only achieve a great deal, but we also choose to honor those who have been able and willing to excel beyond the expectations that anyone would reasonably set. That description applies to all of those honored this evening. Again, congratulations.

Second, I know that it is a tradition in Cold Spring Harbor that the principal and advisors of the yearbook annually present a copy of the yearbook to our Board of Education. At this time, I would like to turn the program over to Mr. Matuk, who will introduce the yearbook advisors - we thank him and them for their hard work to create another memorable yearbook for our students.

Thank you and wishing everyone a safe and enjoyable summer ahead.

Focus on Teaching and Learning...

Junior Book Awards - Class of 2018

Junior Book Award	Student Recipient
Brown University	Matthew Beroza
College of the Holy Cross	Sarah Kopp
Cornell University	Julia Howell
Dartmouth University	Sophia DeRosa
Hamilton College	Thomas Carey
Harvard University	Phillip Wideska
Miami University of Ohio	Sophia Gerberg
Notre Dame University	Nicole Mullen
Princeton University	Matthew Fleming
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	Elijah Gordon
Saint Michael's College	Stefan Brechter
St. Lawrence University	Katherine Faria
University of Pennsylvania	Erin Wallace
University of Rochester	Emily Ross
Yale University	Andreas Bigger

Recognitions:

1. Varsity Boys Lacrosse Team - New York State Class "C" Champions
2. Exemplary Service Award – Elizabeth Lynch

Board Actions...

Childcare Leave

Danielle Castellane, Tenured Teacher, HS, be granted Unpaid Childcare Leave for the period September 13, 2017 through January 21, 2018. This Leave immediately follows FMLA, which ends September 12, 2017.

Resignations:

Stephanie Visceglie - the resignation for the purpose of retirement of Stephanie Visceglie, Teacher, LH, be accepted with deep appreciation for her many years of service effective June 30, 2017.

Nora McNamara - the resignation of Nora McNamara, Teacher Assistant, GHP, be accepted effective June 30, 2017.

Kirstyn Golden - the resignation of Kirstyn Golden, Teacher Aide, LH, be accepted effective June 30, 2017.

Appointments:

Nicole Unger: Elementary Reading Teacher GH, effective July 1, 2017. This is a four-year probationary appointment in the tenure area of Reading effective August 30, 2017 through August 29, 2021, subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure.

Marissa Urso: Library Media Specialist GH. This is a four-year probationary appointment in the tenure area of Library Media Specialist effective August 30, 2017 through August 29, 2021, subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure.

Kristin Schmid: P/T School Psychologist GH effective July 1, 2017 through June 20, 2018.

Suzanne Main-Wegielnik: School Psychologist HS effective July 1, 2017. This is a four-year probationary appointment in the tenure area of School Psychologist effective August 30, 2017 through August 29, 2021, subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure. In accordance with NYSED tenure regulations, upon receipt and verification of required documentation, probationary period may be reduced to three-year.

Beth Chase-Schuman: School Psychologist HS. This is a probationary appointment in the tenure area of School Psychologist effective August 30, 2017 through April 10, 2020 subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure. Probationary period reflects employee began full-time employment as School Psychologist April 11, 2016.

Laura Clark: Reading Teacher HS. This is a four-year probationary appointment in the tenure area of Reading effective August 30, 2017 through August 29, 2021, subject to applicable laws and regulations regarding the granting of tenure. In accordance with NYSED tenure regulations, upon receipt and verification of required documentation, probationary period may be reduced to three-year.

Ferne Chase was appointed AIS Coordinator at Lloyd Harbor School for the 2017-18 school year

Jeanette Wojcik was appointed AIS Coordinator at West Side School for the 2017-18 school year.

Dennis Bonn was appointed Weight Lifting Coach (summer) for the 2017-18 school year.
Ed Klobus be appointed Driver Education Instructor for the 2017-18 school year.

Co-Curricular Jr./Sr. High School appointments were approved for the 2017-18 school year:

Scheduling Coordinator M. Colucci
Jr. High Jazz Ensemble G. Felker
Holocaust Project - Split R. DelucaAcconi
Holocaust Project - Split J. Waters
8th Grade Wash. Trip Asst. - Split J. Raniere
8th Grade Wash. Trip Asst. - Split K. Wilkens
JH Activities Coordinator - Split A. Pesca
JH Activities Coordinator - Split B. Schiffmacher
Student Activity 9 - Split L. Conlon
Student Activity 9 - Split J. Pickering
Student Activity 10 C. Topping
Student Activity 11 - Split M. MonckRowley
Student Activity 11 - Split K. Wilkens
Student Activity 12 - Split M. Puleo
Student Activity 12 - Split C. Scudieri
Student Gov't., HS - Split M. Segura
Student Gov't., HS - Split C. Scudieri
Amnesty International Halloran

National Honor Society - Split J. Raudsepp
National Honor Society - Split M. Segura
Pep Club Student Booster - Split J. Raniere
Pep Club Student Booster - Split P. Sihksnel
Model Congress M. Andrews
Debate & Forensic Club M. Andrews
AV Coordinator - HS A.Pesca
Football Band G. Felker
Sr. High Jazz Ensemble G. Felker
SHS Literary Magazine A.Henry
JH Literary Publication N. Gaffney
SADD/SWAT - Split C. Homer
SADD/SWAT - Split J. Innella
Science Club D. Diaz
Art Club Advisor L. Cirino
French Club P. Gozelski
Spanish Club - K. Fristensky
Student Activity Treasurer R. Colascione
Sr. High Brainstormers J. Raudsepp
College Essay Writing Supv.(Sem. 1)-Split A.Henry
College Essay Writing Supv.(Sem. 1)-Split K. Miller
College Essay Writing Supv.(Sem. 2)-Split A.Henry
College Essay Writing Supv.(Sem. 2)-Split K. Miller
Chess Club Advisor D. Josenhans
International Club - Split R. Koob
International Club - Split M. MonckRowley
Technology Club (Sr. Slide Show) M. Segura
Federal Reserve Challenge A.Pesca
CSHHS Webmaster C. Conklin
JH History Club C. Topping
Gay-Straight Alliance J. Waters
Gay-Straight Alliance R. DelucaAcconi
HS Musical Director M. McLees
HS Musical Pit Band Director B. Chiarello
JHS Musical Director J. Raniere
JHS Musical Choreographer J. Raniere
JH Musical - Set Director L. Cirino
JH Mock Trial J. Cootner
HS Musical - Set Director L. Cirino
Coffeeshouse Jam K. Miller
Improv/Comedy K. Miller
Locks of Love K. Fristensky
Natural Helpers - Split C. Homer
Natural Helpers - Split F. Lanteri
Warhammer Club C. Conklin
Book Club - Split J. Glynn
Book Club - Split J. Waters
Environmental Club E. Oshan
Peer Mentor M. Blechschmidt

That the following time sheeted clubs at CSHJSHS be approved for the 2017-18 school year.

*Not to exceed annual cap

Animal Rescue Club-Split	M. Monck-Rowley
Animal Rescue Club-Split	K. Wilkens
Community Service	C. Homer
Dungeons & Dragons	C. Conklin
FLAG (Fight Like a Girl)-Split	J. Glynn
FLAG (Fight Like a Girl)-Split	J. Waters
Jr. Natural Helpers	S. Mauriello
Marine Bio	E. Oshan
Music Club	B. Chiarello
JH Robotics	J. Healy
Stock Market Club	A.Pesca

The following co-curricular appointments at Goosehill Primary for the 2017-18 school year were approved:

Michelle Riggles	AV/Tech Support
Cathie Gross	Lead Teacher

Personnel Contracts:

Chris McKee - The Contract for Services between the District and Christopher McKee, acting as JHS Musical Vocal Director for the period March 9 through March 29, 2017 in the amount of \$974.50 was approved.

Robert Platt - The Contract for Services between the District and Robert Platt as Robotics Advisor for the 2017-18 school year was approved as submitted.

Stephanie Scanlon - As a result of declining enrollment, one (1) position in the tenure area of Elementary Education is hereby abolished effective June 30, 2017 and, as a result of this action, Stephanie Scanlon as the least senior teacher within the tenure area of Elementary Education is hereby excessed effective June 30, 2017. Her name will be placed on the Preferred Eligibility List in Elementary Education in conformance with New York State Education Law.

Donations:

1. **Donation - CSH Educational Foundation** - The Board of Education accepted the generous donation in the amount of \$57,709.08 from the Cold Spring Harbor Educational Foundation for the purpose of expanding the use of Chromebooks, Phase 2 of the 1:1 initiative, in the classroom during the 2017-2018 school year.

2. **Donation Application West Side** -The Board of Education approved the attached Fundraising and Donation Application proposal from the West Side PTG for the purpose of expanding the outdoor play area adjacent to the basketball court. The proposed cost of the purchase and installation of the expanded play area is estimated to be \$20,000 with the work to be completed during the summer of 2017.

3. **Donation -SBGA** - The Board of Education accepted the generous donation of a \$1,000 scholarship from the Suffolk County Chapter of the New York State School Facilities Association in recognition of the work Mark Margolies has done on behalf of the organization.

4. **Donation – Scholarship** -The Board of Education accepted the generous donation of a \$500 scholarship from the Suffolk Association of School Business Officials in recognition of the service of William Bernhard as a School Business Administrator.

Health Services Contracts:

1. Syosset School District - The Board of Education approved the contract for Health Services with Syosset Central School District for 6.5 students attending private schools during the 2016/17 school year.

2. South Huntington UFSD - The Board of Education approved the contract with the South Huntington UFSD for health services for 21 students attending St. Anthony's High School and 13 students attending Long Island School for the Gifted during the 2016- 17 school year.

Additional Business Matters:

Election Results May 16, 2017

School District 2017-2018 budget:

In favor of approval of Proposition 1 - 420, and against approval of Proposition 1 - 166.

Capital Reserve Expenditure:

In favor of approval of Proposition - 411 and against approval of Proposition 2 - 172.

Election of Members of the Board of Education:

Mark Freidberg, Mark McAteer, and Janice Elkin are elected to the Board of Education as the three individuals with the highest number of votes for three three year terms beginning on July 1, 2017.

Mark Freidberg 420

Mark McAteer 411

Janice Elkin 78

Tami Stark 76

Todd Bertsch 75

Mark Attalienti 40

Warren Kraft, Jr. 19

Brian Olsen 5

Kevin Oxeer 3

George Shapiro 2

Establishment of Reserve Funds:

The Board of Education authorized the continuance and establishment of various general fund reserve accounts for the 2017-2018 school year at amounts not to exceed the following:

Capital Reserve Fund - 2015 \$3,000,000 plus accrued interest

Reserve for Encumbrances \$750,000

Employee Benefit Accrued Liability \$1,700,000 plus accrued interest

Reserve for Unemployment Insurance \$285,000 plus accrued interest

Reserve for Workers' Compensation \$775,000 plus accrued interest

Budget Adjustment:

The Board of Education approved the allocation of \$550,000 from the 2016-2017 Unassigned General Fund Balance for the purpose of reducing the 2017-2018 tax levy.

The Board of Education modified the 2016-2017 budget to record the Transfer to Capital expenditure, general fund expense account A9950.9000-12, of \$1,300,000 funded from the unassigned fund balance to the voter approved Capital Reserve III (2015) fund.

BOCES Service Contract:

The Board of Education approved the Services Contract with Western Suffolk BOCES in the amount of \$1,713,702.81 for the 2017-2018 school year under the provisions of sections 1950-51 of the Education Law.

Employment Contract:

Superintendent - The Board of Education amended the employment agreement with [Robert Fenter](#), Superintendent of Schools, and approved the base annual salary in the amount of \$229,500 for the 2017-2018 school year.

Employment Contracts -District-wide Employees:

The Board of Education amended/approved the employee contracts for the district-wide employees listed below and approve the salary adjustments for the 2017-2018 school year, as per the terms outlined in the revised contracts and that the President of the Board of Education be authorized to execute such agreements:

[William Bernhard](#), Interim Assistant Supt. for Business/District Clerk \$1,056.80 Per Diem

[Lydia Bellino](#), Assistant Supt. for Curriculum and Instruction \$208,339

[Mark Margolies](#), Director of Buildings and Grounds \$149,328

[Geradette Tiger](#), Director of Food Service \$ 85,298

[Denise Campbell](#), Assistant Supt. for Student Services and Human Resources \$183,600

[James Stucchio](#), Assistant Supt. for Business (Pro-rated from 8/21/17 to 6/30/18) \$185,000

Contract for Services:

School Physician - The Board of Education approved an agreement between the Cold Spring Harbor CSD and [Dr. Karl Friedman](#) as the School Physician for the 2017- 2018 school year at an annual fee of \$29,418 and that the President of the Board of Education be authorized to execute such agreement.

Salary - Internal Claims Auditor:

The Board of Education approved the salary for the Internal Claims Auditor, [Charles Bevington](#), at \$38.02 per hour for the 2017-2018 school year

Employment Agreement - District Treasurer: The Board of Education approved an employment agreement and appoint [Michael Kearns](#), CPA, as Treasurer of the Cold Spring Harbor CSD effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, at an annual salary of \$20,387 and hereby establishes, as the standard workday for the 2017-2018 school year for the appointed official position of Treasurer of the Cold Spring Harbor CSD, as one day per week, six hours per day, for the purpose of determining days worked reportable to the New York State Local Employees' Retirement System.

Salary -School Finance Manager:

The Board of Education approved the hourly rate for the School Finance Manager, [Luanne Gallo](#), at \$48.76 per hour for the 2017-2018 school year.

Employment Contracts -Managerial/Confidential Personnel:

The Board of Education amended the employee contracts with the managerial/confidential personnel listed below to approve the salary adjustments, including longevity, for the 2017-2018 school year, as per the terms outlined in the revised contracts and that the President of the Board of Education be authorized to execute such agreements:

[Kelley Meagher](#), Managerial/Confidential Assistant to the Personnel Office \$76,348 14

[Lisa Spahn](#), Managerial/Confidential Assistant to the Business Office (Benefits) \$57,112

[Eleni Russell](#), Managerial/Confidential Assistant to the Ass't. Supt. for Business \$75,980

[Elizabeth Lynch](#), Managerial/Confidential Assistant to the Supt. of Schools \$73,973

Memorandum of Agreement - Teacher's Association:

The Board of Education approved the memorandum of agreement, dated June 13, 2017 with the Cold Spring Harbor Teachers' Association, to amend the contract dated July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2020, regarding the responsibilities and stipend for the Teacher/Mentor Liaison position for the 2017-2018 school year.

Special Education Reports:

The Board of Education approved the terms and conditions of the following contract between the District and the following agencies or independent providers:

[Brookville Children's Center](#)

[Mill Neck Interpreter Service](#)

Policies:

1. Policy 1741 Home-Schooled Students First Read
2. Policy 4531 Field Trips and Excursions First Read

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

Upcoming Meetings...

July 11th - Board of Education Meeting – 8pm

Aug 29th - Board of Education Meeting – 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