

CFA Minutes – January 9, 2013

Meeting held in JH Library

In attendance: N. Aboff, S. Sica, T. Ruocco, S. Bianco, J. Farynick, G. Smith, A. Brogan, J. Matuk, and @12 audience members

Junior High Report (N. Aboff)

- Last JH Dance attendance was low due to Huntington Winter Club event on the same night. In the future, we should schedule the dance on a different night.

Treasurer's Report (Stacy)

- Book Fair actual was \$666. We budgeted \$1,500.

- Clubs used \$1200 to date (\$3,000 in total).

President's Report (Tara)

- *Book Fair* – This was the first year held at Book Revue. Terry Sajewski (Chair) and Luanne Linklin (co-chair) thanked the following volunteers: administrators/teachers including: J. Cooper, Dr. Wilansky, L. Herschlein, G. Meyer, elementary school bands, HS Art Dept.; parent volunteers including S. Sica, A. Torchio, R. Frey, J. Farynick, R. Manos, H. Weinstein, O. Torsi, P. Mahder, M. Sepanski. They discussed some suggestions for next year. When children came from Lloyd Harbor to perform, the most parents came and the biggest purchases were made. Next year we should make sure the other schools can come as well to perform. We should try to negotiate 15% and negotiate with the Café. Also, advertise it at High School as Community Service for Seniors during their free period. Also we should tie it in with shopping at the Pink Link and Crazy Yogurt.

- *Literary Luncheon* --- Luanne and Terry said they're on track but need raffle donations. Meeting on 1/24 at Liz Squicciarni's house at 236 Southdown Road. Jewelry and cooking/baking products will be on sale. All proceeds will go toward creating raffle baskets for the Luncheon. 100% of funds raised go to Cultural Arts programs at Jr./Sr. High School. The book will be for sale as well, "Dear Neighbor Drop Dead" by Saralee Rosenberg. A portion of book sales will go to Cultural Arts as well. The book is available at Book Revue for \$13.95. A % does go toward Cultural Arts. A suggestion was made to raise the price to \$15.00. CFA will donate a basket.

Principal's Report (Mr. Matuk)

- *Safe Campus* – There are a lot of doors at school, e.g., the Field House has a lot of doors next to parking lot. He'd like to move to having alarms on doors. He'd also like all children to funnel through the front doors.

- He'd like an ID system for Visitors. He saw a system at North Salem HS. CSH HS could pay for it via our budget (not a big ticket item). One time only a parent or guest would show their license. It would be scanned into a database which would show any "background" information/if they are not on the student's "pick-up" list. A webcam camera would take a quick picture and print a badge with the date and time. Once a person is entered into the database, they would not have to show their license again (they'd only need to do it once!). Next time the person came to school, their picture would show up in the database. He suggested bringing this system to Cold Spring Harbor.
- Also put staff as hallway monitors with hallway passes. The less hallway movement the better. In case of a security crisis, it will keep students in the classrooms.
- They will continue to allow children to play in front of building.
- Security cameras work well.
- The school has 12 drills a year. "Lock-down" means an intruder is in the building and teachers lock classroom doors and shelter students away from the door. "Lock-out" means there's an intruder outside and same rules apply except students are moved away from windows and duck down.
- The PA system works well. Dr. Brown, Mr. Monastero and Mr. Matuk all have access to it.
- We have a security consultant from Boces. He will have him come when they do an announced drill later in the year.
- We have retired and off duty police working on campus. They work well because they are experienced.
- After school we don't have the same number of security so we will need to have more.
- We have good radios. They are Motorolas \$350 each. All security have them.
- Staff have ID cards.
- We are going to need a buzzer for the delivery door in the Cafeteria.

Board of Education Report (Amy Brogan)

- Since hurricane Sandy we are sending text messages for Emergency announcements and it is working well.
- Budget Forum meeting to be held on 1/29 at District Office. We are limited by 2% annual tax increase and double digit pension increase and medical costs have increased.

Education Foundation (Stephanie DiNozzi)

- The Foundation accepted a donation to set up a Research Lab at the High School. It will allow students to do research at a whole new level. It will be an elective to all students from 9th to 12th grades. This was a big ticket item and everyone is very excited.

Luanne Linklin

- Asked about opening a school store. She would run it. Mr. Matuk said they had it in the past and there were problems. Students should run it, however, it's difficult to get them to be there regularly and merchandise sold is in competition with other clubs selling items.