

May 6, 2008

President John Wapner called the Capital Project Referendum Public Information Meeting to order at 6:33 p.m. The meeting was held in the high school library. Board members in attendance were Michael Clark; David O'Connor; Wayne Rose; and, James Toteno. Vice-President Elizabeth Macfarlane, Ric Campbell, Denise Dapice, and Francis Iaconetti were absent.

Also in attendance were G. Scott Hunter, Superintendent; Dr. Phyllis McGill, Assistant Superintendent for Educational Services; Diane T. Malecki, Business Administrator/District Clerk; Dr. Jean Scheriff, Director of Pupil Services; Charlotte Frye, Elementary School Principal; Ron Davis, High School Principal; John Thorsen, High School Assistant Principal; Gordon Fitting, Middle School Principal; Larry Burud, Middle School Assistant Principal; and, William Visscher, Supervisor of Buildings and Grounds.

Mr. J. Louis Turpin, Executive Principal and Mr. John Sharkey of Rhinebeck Architecture & Planning along with Robert Fortune of BCI Construction, Inc. were present as invited guests of the Board.

The audience consisted of members of the community, CCSD staff, and reporters from local newspapers.

Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the Board presented the following information for public discussion.

John Wapner summarized the purpose of the meeting as an opportunity to discuss the \$6,035,000 referendum to “maximize project benefits while minimizing costs” using the highest priority facility condition renovations from the January referendum and use the EXCEL Aid to provide no tax impact when interest and principal payments begin in the future. Mr. Wapner also introduced Messrs. Turpin and Fortune.

INTRODUCTION BY BOARD  
PRESIDENT

Diane Malecki explained how a Capital Reserve Fund is structured and the process of expending monies from the Fund. To place money into the fund requires voter approval. To fund any project also requires voter approval.

CAPITAL RESERVE FUND

Diane Malecki explained how EXCEL aid will be used to eliminate the tax impact of future borrowing for this project.

EXCEL AID

Ms. Malecki summarized the tax impact of debt service during the 2008-2009 school year. By using EXCEL Aid, the community will not see a tax increase as a result of this referendum.

TAX IMPACT

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The Board heard public comment pertaining to the need to keep the community informed of budget decisions and possible maintenance/building projects in the future. The District staff discussed the safety needs that will be addressed with this capital project.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Turpin and Mr. Fortune spoke to the scope and timeline of the referendum. Mr. Hunter asked that members of the public present communicate accurately what was presented at this meeting and serve to feed back to the Board any questions or concerns expressed by public not in attendance.

BUILDING NEEDS

Motion by John Wapner, seconded by Wayne Rose, that the Board of Education adjourn the May 6, 2008 public information meeting.  
**Motion Carried 5-0**  
Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Diane T. Malecki  
District Clerk

