

# **OLD BRIDGE BOARD BRIEFS**

## **BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

### **October 18, 2016**

#### ***RECOGNITION***

##### ***The Board***

- recognized the following Carl Sandburg Middle School students and staff volunteers who participated in a wall building project on Sept. 24 for CSMS/Habitat for Humanity Project. The constructed walls will be shipped to HFH building site in Newark and will become part of a home for a family. They are: students – Ron Chrysler Amistad, Gina Marie Battaglia, Devin Bendell, Nicholas Covolus, Timothy Davis, Ronald Figliolia, Teresa Freeman, Sree Inguva, Rishabh Jain, Will Kennedy, Gabriella Master, Keith Olson, Yash Purav, Ryan Sears, Eric Shprints, Jaya Singh, Sabrina Stark, Liam Starr, Mikayla Stepper, Anthony Taranto, Ava Thibaut, Michael Weikum, Acayla Wray, and KJ Londregan; and staff – Chris LoNigro, Jeremy Bahun, Patricia Raynor, Corrine Curry, Kathy Kohlhepp, Michele Conticchio, Steve Ruotilio, Rochelle Miller, Kristen Celentano, Harry Brennan, Tom Towne, Corrine Curry, Kenneth Londregan, and Angela Ziemba.

#### ***SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS***

##### ***David Cittadino***

- pointed to a busy weekend with a wonderful Pink Out with proceeds directed to those in need and fighting Cancer.
- commended the football team on a stellar win.
- discussed the first World Fest, celebrating diversity. He said the fair raised more than \$20,000 with \$1,700 for SEPTA programs; \$7,000 for PTAS and \$550 for a senior scholarship.
- said in addition there is \$11,500 for other programs in the district
- said he and board President Donna Andriani traveled to Blackwood, NJ to discuss with the EIRC (Educational Information and Resource Center) about hiring a veteran strategic planner to look at the infrastructures, building, and planning in the township.
- said they also contacted Education Services of NJ and spoke with Mark Finkelstein regarding finding a planner.

#### ***ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS***

##### ***Kathleen Hoeker***

- announced that two students from each elementary school would be meeting with her and Schools Superintendent David Cittadino to give them an opportunity to communicate with the students for “casual conversation”.
- said the luncheon would be held on Thursday in the Patrick Torre Administration Building.

- said it would be an opportunity to meet and hear the students' perspectives about their schools.
- said they would be given a tour of Central Administration.

## ***CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL***

### ***The Board***

- approved the employment of Daniel DiMino, Director of Athletics, effective Nov. 1.

## ***NON-CERTIFICATED PERSONNEL***

### ***The Board***

- approved the retirement of Robert David, Head Mechanic/Transportation, with deep appreciation for 32.5 years of dedicated service to the District, effective Dec. 31.

## ***MISCELLANEOUS***

### ***The Board***

- approved the following meetings: agenda session, 7:30 p.m., Nov. 15, 2016, in the Patrick A. Torre Administration Building; regular meeting, 7:30 p.m., Nov. 22, 2016 in the OBHS Main Building TV Studio.
- accepted a \$551 grant in materials from Donors Choose, including Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, Kristen King, Sylvia and Mark Scher, Chuck Bentivenga and Jacob Laws. Novel sets "Outsiders" Diary of Anne Frank, reading station bean bag chairs, bookmarks, and miscellaneous books to the Carl Sandburg Middle School ELA Special Education for Susan Stahl's ELA classroom
- accepted a donation of a crab kit to the Carl Sandburg Middle School Special Education LLD class for the students to learn how to care for the hermit crab by rotating the responsibility of feeding and caring for the classroom pet.
- accepted a \$700 grant to the Carl Sandburg Middle School for offsetting the cost of the Liberty Science Center Disability Day on April 11, 2017.