

A Workshop Meeting of the Board of Education, Seaford Union Free School District, was held on Thursday, August 12, 2010, in the All Purpose Room of the Manor Elementary School, 1590 Washington Avenue, Seaford, New York.

PRESENT: Mr. Brian W. Fagan - President  
Mr. Richard G. DiBlasio – Vice President  
Mr. John DelGiudice – Trustee  
Mr. Bruce Kahn – Trustee  
Mr. Michael D. Sapricono - Trustee

Mr. Brian L. Conboy  
Mr. Kenney W. Aldrich  
Mr. John Striffolino

At 7:35 p.m., the President of the Board of Education opened the Workshop Meeting. As the first order of business, Board President Brian Fagan led the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**OPEN MEETING**

None

**OPENING REMARKS**

None

**PRESENTATIONS  
RECOGNITIONS**

Topics covered in Mr. Conboy's Administrative Report dated August 9, 2010 included:

**ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT**

Seaford Avenue School

- John Striffolino and Andrew Ward toured the Seaford Avenue School with Boces staff
- Board given latest buildings and condition survey

State Budget/Federal Funding

- Governor Patterson signed off on current version of budget
- Reduction of Federal Medicaid fund included in budget
- Unclear if Federal bill may put some of that money back
- Federal Education Jobs Fund includes 600 million for New York State
- Senator Schumer posted a spreadsheet which is not guaranteed showing \$405 thousand for Seaford
- Fund is to be used to maintain teachers who were excessed as a result of the economy
- Strict rules on how money may be spent
- State Aide for Seaford still unknown

Capital Project

- Capital Improvement balance \$740,000
- Harbor road plan is complete and waiting DEC and Nassau County review and comments

Academic Testing Results

- All cohort groups being analyzed by Mr. Striffolino due to results

Motion by Mr. DiBlasio, second by Mr. Sapricono, that the consent agenda be approved as a whole with action recorded as if it had been taken severally.

**CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS  
4. A. B. (detailed below)**

No Discussion  
All Ayes  
Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. DiBlasio, second by Mr. Sapricono, to approve the Board of Education Minutes of the Reorganization Meeting of July 8, 2010, as amended.

**MINUTES**

Mr. DelGiudice was given a few minutes to review the changes after stated he had not had enough time to read the changes.

All Ayes  
Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. DiBlasio, second by Mr. Sapricono, to approve acceptance of the determinations of the Special Education Committee Meetings listed below:

**CPSE/CSE**

1. Recommend acceptance of the determinations of the Special Education Committee Meetings of: 6/15; 6/16; 6/17; 6/22; 6/23; 6/24; 7/1; 7/17; 7/21.
2. Recommend acceptance of the determinations of the Special Education Committee Meetings of: 7/7; 7/14; 8/4.

In response to Mr. DiBlasio's concerns over the lateness of meetings being conducted in August Mr. Conboy explained that it was mostly due to changes requested by from both sides as well as the availability of the families involved.

All Ayes  
Motion Carried.

Parents did not get State tests back  
IEP's are still a little late  
District is typing notes directing onto IEP at meetings which is good  
Strong IEP's are needed to be shared with employee who interacts with child

**PUBLIC COMMENTS  
AGENDA ITEMS**

Mr. Fagan asked about a presentation Special Education Director Jane Dawkins gave to the Board of Education which included a technology method to speed up the process

**BOARD COMMENTS  
AGENDA ITEMS**

**OLD BUSINESS**

Motion by Mr. DiBlasio, second by Mr. Kahn, to table Agenda Items 6.A. (District Clerk Appointment and 6 C. (Audit Committee – Board Member Appointment)

**TABLE AGENDA ITEMS 6.A.  
and 6.C.**

Mr. Sapricono asked about the Audit Committee and members of the Board on that Committee. District Policy gives Board discretion. A brief discussion took place concerning the flexibility of Board members remaining on the Committee depending on candidates for that Committee.

All Ayes  
Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. DiBlasio, second by Mr. Kahn, that Richard G. DiBlasio be appointed Vice-District Clerk for the Seaford Union Free School District for the 2010-2011 school year.

**VICE DISTRICT CLERK  
APPOINTMENT**

No Discussion.  
All Ayes  
Motion Carried.



**NEW BUSINESS**

Motion by Mr. DiBlasio, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION  
COOPER POWER & LIGHTING  
CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 (HS)**

**Be it resolved**, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Change Order No. 2 (High School) in the amount of \$23,026.75 to Cooper Power & Lighting Corp. for additional work beyond the initial scope of the bond to remove and replace various electrical connections and to provide for new computer wiring drops in the High School, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

In response to Mr. DiBlasio's question and concerns about security cameras which were improperly installed and mounted by Cooper Power & Lighting, Mr. Conboy advised that Mr. Ward had already addressed the issue with Cooper and all corrections will be made.

Brian Fagan - Aye  
Richard DiBlasio - Aye  
John DelGiudice - Aye  
Bruce Kahn - Aye  
Michael Sapricono - Aye  
Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. DiBlasio, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION  
COOPER POWER & LIGHTING  
PAYMENT NO. 5 (HARBOR)**

**Be it resolved**, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment No. 5 (Harbor School) in the amount of \$79,146.87 to Cooper Power & Lighting Corp. for the fifth round of public address system, security and cabling work at the Harbor School, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion  
Brian Fagan - Aye  
Richard DiBlasio - Aye  
John DelGiudice - Aye  
Bruce Kahn - Aye  
Michael Sapricono - Aye  
Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. DiBlasio, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION  
COOPER POWER & LIGHTING  
PAYMENT NO. 5 (HS)**

**Be it resolved**, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment No. 5 (High School) in the amount of \$10,290.89 to Cooper Power & Lighting Corp. for the fifth round of public address system, security and cabling work at the High School, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion  
Brian Fagan - Aye  
Richard DiBlasio - Aye  
John DelGiudice - Aye  
Bruce Kahn - Aye  
Michael Sapricono - Aye  
Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. DiBlasio, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION  
COOPER POWER & LIGHTING  
PAYMENT NO. 5 (MANOR)**

**Be it resolved**, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment No. 5 (Manor School) in the amount of \$14,380.62 to Cooper Power & Lighting Corp. for the fifth round of public address system, security and cabling work at the Manor School, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion  
Brian Fagan - Aye  
Richard DiBlasio - Aye  
John DelGiudice - Aye  
Bruce Kahn - Aye  
Michael Sapraicone - Aye  
Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. DiBlasio, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION  
COOPER POWER & LIGHTING  
PAYMENT NO. 5 (MS)**

**Be it resolved**, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment No. 5 (Middle School) in the amount of \$29,236.25 to Cooper Power & Lighting Corp. for the fifth round of public address system, security and cabling work at the Middle School, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion  
Brian Fagan - Aye  
Richard DiBlasio - Aye  
John DelGiudice - Aye  
Bruce Kahn - Aye  
Michael Sapraicone - Aye  
Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. DiBlasio, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION  
SJ ELECTRIC – PAYMENT NO. 1  
(PHOTOVOLTAIC – HS)**

**Be it resolved**, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment No. 1 (Photovoltaic – High School) in the amount of \$13,050 to SJ Electric, Inc. for the photovoltaic panel installation at the High School, and request the Board President's signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion  
Brian Fagan - Aye  
Richard DiBlasio - Aye  
John DelGiudice - Aye  
Bruce Kahn - Aye  
Michael Sapraicone - Aye  
Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. DiBlasio, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION  
SJ ELECTRIC – CHANGE ORDER  
NO. 1 (PHOTOVOLTAIC – HS)**

**Be it resolved**, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Change Order No. 1 (Photovoltaic – High School) in the amount of \$75,000 to SJ Electric, Inc. for additional High School panels, and request the Board President’s signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion  
Brian Fagan - Aye  
Richard DiBlasio - Aye  
John DelGiudice - Aye  
Bruce Kahn - Aye  
Michael Sapraicone - Aye  
Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. DiBlasio, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION  
THERMO TECH COMBUSTION  
PAYMENT NO. 2 (PHASE 5-HARBOR)**

**Be it resolved**, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment No. 2 (Phase 5 – Harbor) in the amount of \$15,328.68 to Thermo Tech Combustion, Inc. for Harbor School mechanical work, and request the Board President’s signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion  
Brian Fagan - Aye  
Richard DiBlasio - Aye  
John DelGiudice - Aye  
Bruce Kahn - Aye  
Michael Sapraicone - Aye  
Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. DiBlasio, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION  
THERMO TECH COMBUSTION  
PAYMENT NO. 2 (PHASE 5 – HS)**

**Be it resolved**, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment No. 2 (Phase 5 – High School) in the amount of \$75,021.64 to Thermo Tech Combustion, Inc. for High School mechanical work, and request the Board President’s signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion  
Brian Fagan - Aye  
Richard DiBlasio - Aye  
John DelGiudice - Aye  
Bruce Kahn - Aye  
Michael Sapraicone - Aye  
Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. DiBlasio, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION  
THERMO TECH COMBUSTION  
PAYMENT NO. 2 (PHASE 5 –MANOR)**

**Be it resolved**, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment No. 2 (Phase 5 – Manor) in the amount of \$28,480.34 to Thermo Tech Combustion, Inc. for Manor School mechanical work, and request the Board President’s signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion  
Brian Fagan - Aye  
Richard DiBlasio - Aye  
John DelGiudice - Aye  
Bruce Kahn - Aye  
Michael Sapraicone - Aye  
Motion Carried.

Motion by Mr. DiBlasio, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**CAPITAL PROJECT RESOLUTION  
THERMO TECH COMBUSTION  
PAYMENT NO. 2 (PHASE 5 – MS)**

**Be it resolved**, based upon a recommendation from the Superintendent, that the Board of Education authorize Payment No. 2 (Phase 5 – Middle School) in the amount of \$88,419.40 to Thermo Tech Combustion, Inc. for Middle School mechanical work, and request the Board President’s signature on the authorization for payment documents.

No Discussion  
Brian Fagan - Aye  
Richard DiBlasio - Aye  
John DelGiudice - Aye  
Bruce Kahn - Aye  
Michael Sapraicone - Aye  
Motion Carried.

1. Electrical Allowance #2 (Phase 5 – High School) to Cooper Power & Lighting Corp. in the amount of \$4,966.17.

**CAPITAL PROJECT  
INFORMATION ITEM -  
NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE**

Motion by Mr. DiBlasio, second by Mr. DelGiudice, to adopt the following resolution:

**RESOLUTION**

**RESOLVED**, that the following budget (Gross Amount) of the necessary claims and expenditures in the Seaford UFSD (#6) in the Town of Hempstead School Year 2010-2011, amounting to

**2010-2011 SCHOOL TAX  
LEVY**

	\$	53,614,962.00	School Purpose
	\$	<u>1,940,346.00</u>	Library Purpose
Total:	\$	55,555,308.00	be the same and is hereby accepted.

**RESOLVED** that the sum of

	\$	41,326,962.00	School Purpose
	\$	<u>1,807,763.00</u>	Library Purpose
Total:	\$	43,134,725.00	Be the remainder of

TAX LEVY RESOLUTION (cont'd)

the budget adopted as above and the amount which must be RAISED BY TAXATION (NET AMOUNT) for SEAFORD UFSD (#6) of the Town of HEMPSTEAD, Nassau County, New York, for the year 2010-2011 be levied upon the taxable property of the said school district as said property has been certified by the Assessor for the school year 2010-2011.

**RESOLVED**, that the District Clerk of this School District is hereby authorized and directed, pursuant to Section 6-20.0 and amendments thereto of the Nassau County Administrative Code, to file a certified copy of these resolutions with the Nassau County Legislature and the Department of Assessment, Mineola, New York, on or before August 16th, 2010.

	No Discussion
Brian Fagan -	Aye
Richard DiBlasio -	Aye
John DelGiudice -	Aye
Bruce Kahn -	Aye
Michael Sapracione -	Aye
	Motion Carried.

**Areas covered in the discussion of 1:1 Aides included:**

**WORKSHOP TOPIC: 1:1 AIDES**

Mr. Conboy stated that due to budget constraints aide positions were cut  
There are 3 types of aides: Instructional, Clerical and Monitorial.

- Monitorial aides monitor children
- Clerical do clerical work
- Instructional aides – many work with children with special needs some of whom may need toileting assistance. Those aides who are assigned to these more needy children are given \$1 an hour extra.

All aides are part-time.

There is some differential between our aides.

- If a child needs a 1 on 1 aide there are actually two aides; one in the a.m. and one in the p.m.
- These aides are trained over a one-year or 2-year period, depending upon the student.

It was decided to excess aides during budget preparation.

A parent brought this topic to our attention.

- Although seniority may be clean it may not serve the child appropriately.
- The issue was that you may be excessing someone with low seniority, maybe one year or less, but they may be one of the aides who were trained for a specific student.
- Because these aides were trained and then cut, we need to replace them with someone else who would have to also be trained (at an additional cost) and then the relationship with that child may not be as successful.

The system in place is fair for employees but maybe didn't serve the children as well as it should.

Aides are non-competitive and we do not have to go by seniority.

- The language in our contract with the Aides Union is vague re: seniority and our attorney has advised that there is no express language in our contract to obligate us to lay off by seniority.
- Most districts do go by seniority.
- This should not be a compelling factor.
- Seniority can discredit claims of favoritism.



---

1:1 AIDES DISCUSSION (cont'd)

Mr. DiBlasio stated that the matter of Aides trained for specific children was brought up during prior discussions with the Director of Special Education.

- There is a program called “My Learning Plan” which tracks the training. Mr. Conboy stated that it is not just the training but the personal relationship the aide has with the child.

- Discussion is needed with the Aides Union on what language we can agree upon when it comes to dealing with excessed aides.
- We would work together with the Aides Union and take into consideration seniority and the training for special needs children.
- We framed the problem to engage in conversation with the Union and we will discuss it further with them.

Mr. DeGiudice asked if we should consider “grades” for aides or “steps” for different level aides.

There was further discussion concerning the salary differential for aides who get the extra \$1.00 per hour.

- This extra \$1.00 can change as the needs of the child changes.
- This is reduced as the needs no longer exist.

Mr. Conboy stated that if we came up with grade categories we would have to look at seniority within that title.

It was decided that further discussion will take place with the Aides Union to correct the wording on the contract for the next negotiations because the current contract expires in 2012.

Mr. Conboy stated that we already know that some excessed aides will be called back based on the current needs of the district.

Toba Hartmann, Aides Union Vice President made a general statement that most of the aides at the bottom of the seniority list have the least amount of training.

Mr. Conboy advised that as aides are brought back it will be in the best interest of the student.

Mr. Aldrich stated that the District will have openings based on some aides notifying the district they will not be returning. We currently have eight postings at the High School.

Mr. Conboy commented that on one side we have aides coming back and the other side is engaging the Union in discussions for this topic.

Aides' Training was discussed

- Not everyone gets the same training.
- Instructional aides get more intense training than the other two categories.
- We have a training day coming up for the aides this September

Mr. DiBlasio asked if aides get the IEPs for review, which is a type of training and enables that particular aide to be more prepared for their child's needs.

Administration will have further discussions with the Aides Union and will report back to the Board after those discussions take place.

At 9:30 p.m. Board President Brian Fagan announced that they would be taking a ten-minute break.

**MEETING BREAK**

The meeting resumed at 9:40 p.m.

**MEETING RESUMED**

Areas covered in the discussion of the Seaford Avenue School included:

**WORKSHOP TOPIC:  
SEAFORD AVENUE SCHOOL**

Mr. Conboy gave a brief history of the Seaford Avenue School Building:

- Built 1939; ate 50's-70's elementary school K-6; 1981 due to low enrollment deemed no longer necessary
- Mr. Conboy is a proud graduate of that school.
- Locust Avenue was dividing point for Harbor and Manor.
- Five Towns College then occupied the building for about 5 years and moved out to Half Hollow Hills.
- BOCES moved into building.
- BOCES recently purchased property and no longer needed our building.
- Over \$400K is lost in District revenues due to this move.
- As of September 1, 2010 the building will be vacant
- The fields are actively used by various local groups.
- Recent building condition survey indicates it will take \$5.5 million to get the building back into shape for usable space for District usage.
- We recently passed a \$21 million capital project and floating another bond may not be as successful.
- Alternative it having another renter

Mr. Aldrich did some research as to possible options (6) and passed out a memo:

- 1 Keeping it and bringing it to full operational status = \$5.3 - \$5.5 million plus maintenance of about \$100K plus cost of educational staffing
- 2 Tear it down – cost of about \$1 million---2007 committee gave this figure back when they had their discussions
- 3 Rent it as is for about 5 years with minimum capital improvements. Mr. Aldrich was contacted by a small Christian school with about 140 student who said they will make an offer and haven't as of yet. We may be able to rent this building for an estimated \$120K per year at best with some cost to District. Unknown if this is likely.
- 4 District resident suggested we offer to this resident a chance to help – Low Income Housing Authority
- 5 Another developer may need this for commercial space that made an offer in the past and may be interested. Also mentioned possibility of getting a tax rebate for this building.
- 6 Suggestion by 2007 committee is to sell to developer for \$5.5 million less realtor fees and it would take up to two years to put together.

We need to look at keeping fields and there is a possibility all of the above may accommodate that through negotiations.

---

SEAFORD AVENUE SCHOOL DISCUSSION (cont'd)

Questions/Comments by the Board:

Brian Fagan:

In response to his questions he was advised that \$5.5 million is the current number and the asking price of a townhouse unit is \$350-\$390K

Parking can be an issue

We can't just level it and leave it. Something would need to be done.

Some possibilities:

- Professional building, community centers, pre-K, training for special education, senior center, energy building - photovoltaic center that creates energy that sells it back to LIPA which can offset taxes.

We have a \$21 million bond. There is about another \$10-15 million that we didn't address in this bond of repairs that still need to be done and then to ask for another \$5-6 million to repair this building may be a hard sell.

No matter what we decide the community makes the final decision. We need to arrive at a good decision.

How long will it take to develop this project? It will cost us to get an assessment done.

John DelGiudice:

Number of fields to be retained, recalling 2 fields

grass area east of current black top area was planned to be retained

50-unit building is based on certain parking

We are obligated to take the highest bid

Most of these ideas have nothing to do with education

If there were a Seaford Town Council we could go to them with this idea and tell them to take the property and do something with it. It's not a school board's responsibility to make these decisions. We are getting out of our realm of responsibility according to Education Law.

Richard DiBlasio:

If we take that parking away from the field usage where will all those cars park when showing up for games? There is no room on the street to park as it is.

It should be in the best interest of the District, not just price.

As of September 1 we are losing revenues of \$450k every year with a cost of \$100K to mothball

Standing on the property at the corner one realizes how big that property really is.

It's our property. We have a responsibility. There are a lot of schools who own land and have fields for their districts use.

Michael Sapracione:

We can make it into a recreational center. We need to decide if we are going to sell it as either commercial or residential, are we keeping it ourselves to knock it down and build a new complex for the community or knock it down and not do anything.

Even though it's tough economic times it's a good time to do things. This building can be made into a recreational center for community. We would charge maybe \$100 per family per year for its use. We could put in Adult Education, daycare, a swimming pool, tennis courts, etc.

Against condos and possibly professional buildings - isn't a good thing for the community.

Agrees with Mr. Fagan that to sell and forget about it would not be the right thing. A decision needs to obviously be made if we are going to keep it or sell it and not let it sit here. We should continue to own it. Keeping the building we can sell to the community.

---

SEAFORD AVENUE SCHOOL DISCUSSION (cont'd)

Disagrees with Mr. DelGiudice stating everything we do with this building as a community gives our children a chance to learn. It's a learning experience.

We were able to sell the last bond and we greatly improved the buildings. Now we are asking them to help bring in something that everyone can be involved in. Our fields need to be improved. You have to spend money to make money. To improve our schools, to keep people here we need to give them something to be proud of. They want their standard of living to improve. Think people will pay for this if they see the improvements and see the light at the end of the tunnel.

Mr. Fagan:

Spoke about Mr. Wang's development by Nassau Coliseum. What Mr. Sapraicone is talking about is large numbers. We have 5500 homes with 15k residents. How much revenue does he think we will get that will support the investment into this building. Swimming pools, tennis courts etc. Concerned about spending this money and asking for more money because this will make Seaford more. We are laying off teachers and we have a stagnant market and an economy that is still faltering. This is one of the longest recessions and we still aren't coming out of it.

Not certain if economy is ready to embrace these ideas. We are saying we may make revenue but we don't know what the revenues will be. We don't have hard numbers if we put swimming pools and tennis courts in. Maybe the County can help offset some costs. Going green is a hot topic. Let's write letters to assist us in making recreational centers that gives energy back to LIPA.

Mr. Sapraicone:

It's the Town of Hempstead that's holding up Mr. Wang's project. Our goal isn't to make money. Mr. Wang's goal is. He believes we are coming out of it. If we are going to worry about the economy we should all just get up and go home. We need to create projects to make the economy better. We need to stimulate the economy and the community. In this terrible economy there are people making money and there are 800 new millionaires this year in this city. Small numbers of people are going on welfare.

Against selling building. Doesn't feel \$5 million will help out the District because it's such a small amount of the budget. Not good value to sell the building. If we could maintain the building the economy will get better.

Mr. Conboy suggested having 2 groups of community members, one with thoughts of selling the building and one with thoughts of developing the property.

Mr. Fagan stated he feels we need some County and/or Town support. How much will it cost to maintain and how much will the value be as the economy improves? Asking the community to invest in the building in these times is a very tough sell.

Before we make a decision to keep it we need to know the cost of these suggestions.

Mr. Sapraicone agrees with the idea of 2 committees - sell and develop - to conduct some research.

---

SEAFORD AVENUE SCHOOL DISCUSSION (cont'd)

Mr. DiBlasio stated that we already had one committee who suggested selling and it doesn't make sense to have them convene again. Not in support of having a developer take over property. They will get tax abatement and we may not benefit from the tax revenue immediately. This is a huge piece of property where we have an opportunity to expand our fields with tennis courts, basketball courts and build a small field house with a bathroom and a storage room for equipment. This way both the school district and the community can use. Against selling property. The money we get after all the soft costs and realtor fees we will end up with substantially less and that money, once spent, will be gone forever as would our property.

If we sell the building we lose the parking and where will the community park when they attend games at the fields.

Mr. DeGiudice stated that selling property may be in the best interest of the community.

Discussion continued concerning usage of the building, land for education purposes, cost of knocking the building down and building some of the suggestions the board spoke about.

Mr. Sapricono - if we keep the building it will take 2 years before sale is final. One thing we know is that it's costing us money to maintain the building in its current status.

Mr. Fagan -We need to quantify our suggestions for the property. We already know the sale price could be 5.5 million. What are the costs of the ideas being discussed? Rec room, swimming pool etc

Mr. DiBlasio – asked administration if we use the land for district and community use are there grants available to help offset the cost of developing new fields and courts. Can we reach out to our local elected officials?

Mr. Conboy suggested we do a survey with the community listing some of our ideas. This way we have a sense of direction based on the survey results.

- Mr. Aldrich stated that conducting a survey helps involve the community and may result in some good ideas.

Discussion continued concerning:

- Giving the community 2 choices to choose from
- Moving forward and gathering these costs.
- The survey

Discussion ended with the board giving administration direction to prepare a survey for the community. The Board will then review the survey prior to distribution.

---

SEAFORD AVENUE SCHOOL DISCUSSION (cont'd)

Questions/Comments by the Community:

Parent reminded that this could be a good place for the Library and maintain the fields. Years ago they had a chance with across from Takapusha.

Questioned the \$5.5 million being she was on committee but Mr. Aldrich stated these were adjusted numbers due to economy. Mentioned that every police precinct in Nassau county is falling apart and in need of repair or possibly new locations. Maybe we should approach the county.

Comments, Questions and/or Concerns Raised by the Public included:

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- Damaged fence at Beechwood entrance
- Stipends for clubs – is there oversight

Mr. Sapricono asked about status of scoreboard

**CLOSING REMARKS**

- Mr. Conboy stated that the scoreboard is working as of now but there is a lot of corrosion on the inside circuitry
- Discussion took place concerning a football scoreboard v. a multi-sport scoreboard.
- Administration will have estimates at next meeting for the Board to make a decision on the payment method for the scoreboard – Bond v. Budget.

Mr. Conboy stated each building principal is responsible for their respective building clubs

- Best Buddies Club has no set time schedule; Administration will look into this

At 11:07 p.m., a motion was made by Mr. DelGiudice, second by Mr. Sapricono, to adjourn the Workshop Meeting and enter into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing a specific personnel issue.

**ADJOURN WORKSHOP MEETING**

No Discussion.  
All Ayes  
Motion Carried.

There being no further business, a motion was made by Mr. DiBlasio, second by Mr. Kahn, to adjourn Executive Session at 12:10 a.m. on Friday, August 13, 2010.

**ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION**

No Discussion.  
All Ayes  
Motion Carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard G. DiBlasio  
Board of Education Vice President &  
Vice District Clerk