

Welcome to Board Briefs, in which we summarize key agenda items from prior Board of Education meetings and address topics that were brought to the Board's attention. Full meeting minutes are typically not available until reviewed and approved by the Board at a subsequent meeting, but we hope that this summary of key items from the previous meeting will 'keep you in touch' with the notable actions of the Board. As always, our community is encouraged to attend our meetings. We welcome your questions and comments.

December 1, 2016 Board of Education Meeting

Lunch Options

The Board of Education held a work session to discuss lunch options and needs throughout the district. Several organizations, students and staff members contributed to the conversation. The Board has begun to identify the scope of the issue, agreed upon the need to develop a sustainable solution and anticipates future meetings to continue the discussion.

Ventilation Testing

A petition entitled "Don't Wait 2019 is Too Late" was discussed by the Board of Education members. The process that is involved for NYSED approval was outlined and a summary will be posted on the Buildings and Grounds webpage. Also, the district's Health and Safety Committee agreed with a recommendation they received from Todd Crawford, from the New York State Department of Health, that repeat CO2 testing was not recommended. It was explained that CO2 testing has already confirmed that the unit ventilators need to be replaced and that we have an appropriate plan in place to replace them as part of our capital improvement plan. The District will follow this recommendation. Additional concerns should be addressed to the District's Health and Safety Committee.

Meeting Video

The Board discussed moving toward live video streaming of its regular meetings. Board members discussed this decision as a way to increase transparency and stay further connected with the community.

Budget Workshop

Assistant Superintendent for Business Diane Chaissan provided a preliminary look at budget projections for the 2017-18 school year. The Board also began a discussion about the funding of reserves.

The Board of Education will meet for a budget work session on Monday, December 12 in the Croton-Harmon High School Community Room.

The Board of Education's next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, January 5, 2017.