

Community Relations Committee Meeting Notes

Wednesday, December 7th, 2011, 7:00 PM

Attending:

Board Members: Chiung-yin Liu, Chair, Dennis Pavlik, Mike Sockol (via phone)

Absent: Victor DeSario

Administrators: Barbara Duncan

1. *The State of the District*

The CR committee recommends that the 2011/12 State of The District should be presented once and be informative about the School District's performance. Since the District Website has posted many district happenings, such as, students' achievements/awards, Committee reports, and monthly columns, it is unnecessary to recap or summarize all the information at the presentation which potentially could make the presentation too long of a production. The CR Committee suggests that we should focus on the "value" Holmdel Schools brings to students, parents and community for the 2011/12 presentation.

The highlights from the discussion:

- The State of The District will be followed by the Budget Presentation
- One presentation only
- The tentative date: Wednesday, March 28, 2012. If the Board doesn't receive the State budget numbers by then, the next tentative date will be April 4th
- The five committee chairs from the B&F, B&G, C&I, CR, SS committees, will lead the main part of the presentation. Chairs also could have a few committee members to share the load, if needed
- Each Chair brings up 3-4 key messages from their major works from each committee
- The topics should demonstrate how much value each committee brings to the Holmdel School District and Community
- Avoid reiterating the long list of accomplishments during the presentation
- Two Board leaders could handle the opening and closing remarks
- Further discussions re: the structure and content of the State of the District will take place at future Community Relations committee meetings
- Full Board discussion on the State of the District will be held at the January Board Retreat.

2. *HBOE Monthly Column – Suggestions:*

January: Mr. Pavlik and DeSario --District Security and Transportation.

February: Mrs. Garrity-- District Mid-Year Progress Report

3. *Items for the Good of the Order*

None

***Next meeting: Wednesday, January 4th, 7:00 p.m. Central Office Conference Room**

Sincerely Submitted,
Chiung-yin Liu