NEWS

RE: Hancock Central School District
Friday, March 7, 2014

FOR MORE INFORMATION Contact:

Terry Dougherty, Superintendent
(607) 637-1300
TDougherty@hancock.stier.org
or
Terry Whitt, Board President
(607) 637-3333
tlwcpa@hancock.net

Hancock Central Schools Facilities Planning Committee Meets for the Second Time on February 26

Facilities Planning Committee Tours Elementary and Middle/High School Buildings

HANCOCK, NY – A facilities planning meeting was held on February 26 on the Hancock Central School District Campus. This was the second of a series of meetings of the newly established HCS Facilities Committee.

The Committee spent the majority of its time touring and reviewing all aspects of the elementary and middle/high school buildings and grounds. During the tours, architects and district administrators specifically identified and viewed various structural areas in need of repair up to and including heating, window, and ventilation systems in the elementary school; boilers in both buildings; instructional technology and computer network infrastructure hardware issues in both buildings; handicap accessibility issues in both buildings; ceiling, lighting, and flooring damage in both buildings; deteriorating conditions of physical education and athletic field teaching spaces including the weight room; paving issues throughout the campus; library-multimedia classroom issues in the middle/high school building; vestibule and safe greeting areas in the elementary and middle/high school buildings; and a host of other items identified in the 5 year NYSED Building Condition Survey (BCS).

Superintendent Terrance Dougherty was quick to point out that the "building tours represent a very preliminary scan of the scope of work that must be addressed by the school district in the coming months." The HCS Facilities Planning Committee will be meeting on a bi-weekly basis for the next six to eight months with the goal of making

recommendations to the HCS Board of Education in September of 2014. If approved by the Board of Education, plans would be put in place to have a vote by the Hancock community for their consideration in November or December of 2014.

Meeting minutes and agendas may be viewed on the District website, www.hancock.stier.org.

The Committee is slated to meet again on Wednesday, March 12 in the HCS District Office at 3:00 pm. Meetings are open to the public.

---END---