# Student Activities and Athletics Committee Tuesday, October 16, 2018 6:45 PM

#### In attendance:

Shannon Johnson: Board Member

Bob Reiser: Board Member Lisa Brady: Superintendent

Douglas Berry: Assistant Superintendent

Andrew Klaich: Director of Health, PE and Athletics

#### Agenda:

#### **Newspaper Club:**

There has been recent interest among some 5th-grade students to start a Springhurst Newspaper. Can we provide a stipend? Yes. Elizabeth will post this internally.

### **Merged Sports:**

We currently have a merged team with Ardsley for boys swim and we participate with Ardsley in wrestling and girls swim as "independent" teams. We will also be skiing with Ardsley as an independent team this winter. Several students and parents have expressed a need to form a merged team with girls swim. Andrew has reached out to the Ardsley athletic director and head coach to see if they would be interested in forming a formal merger. Historically, the girls swim team has never merged because the Ardsley team always had high student numbers and did not "need" Dobbs Ferry to complete their team.

## **Coaching Stipends:**

The district is currently examining current coaching stipends, trends in athletes per team, allocation of assistant coaches and will make suggestions based on the needs of each individual sport.

**Assignment of Referees** for home games - this is done by BOCES. The shortage of officials results in some games being without officials and coaches jumping in to help (in modified sports). This situation is worse in soccer.