

Monday, January 28, 2013

Educational Focus Board Of Education Meeting

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◇ **Recognition of District 88 Successes**

- ✚ 88's Best Students Giangela Stokes, Addison Trail, and Nicholas Baumann, Willowbrook, were recognized for the month of January. The students were congratulated on their many accomplishments. The students thanked the board, their teachers and their families for their support. As a token of their achievements, Giangela and Nicholas were given an 88's Best glass sculpture and a certificate.

◇ **Educational Focus Items**

✚ Instructional Technology

Aaron Lenaghan, Director of Technology, Teaching and Learning, along with his team of Instructional Technology Coaches, Messrs. Mitchell and O'Connor, from Addison Trail, gave a presentation on "where we came from to where we're going in Technology." The instructional coaches are assisting teachers to better understand the different Web sites and programs available to them, as well as how to implement them into the classrooms.

✚ 5Essentials Survey

Jean Barbanente, Assistant Superintendent, shared information regarding the Illinois 5Essentials Survey, a new state requirement. The survey, which will be completed between Feb. 1 and the end of March, will gauge school performance on certain topics and require participation from staff, students and parents. Data will be collected online and become part of the School Report Card.

◇ **The CONSENT AGENDA, which included the following items, was approved by the Board:**

- ✚ The List of Bills for December 2012.
- ✚ Fundraiser Contracts Exceeding \$1,000.
- ✚ FY2012 Financial Audit Report prepared by Mathieson, Moyski, Celer, and Co., LLP.
- ✚ Personnel Report.

◇ **Discussion Items Requiring Action**

- ✚ Approved the Treasurer's Report for December 2012.
- ✚ Approved the Budget Status Report for December 2012.
- ✚ Approved the Fundraiser Contract Exceeding \$1,000.
- ✚ Approved the following Ratiications of BTF Building & Grounds:
 - Rex Electric & Technologies – Final Payment
 - Wight & Company, #s 8, 16 & 17
 - Wight & Company Summer Project 2013 – A/E Payment
 - Wilkin Insulation – Final Payment
- ✚ Approved the List of Bills Exceeding \$5,000.
- ✚ Approved the Personnel Report.
- ✚ Adopted the 2013-2014 School Calendar.
- ✚ Approved the School Communications Coordinator position for second semester.
- ✚ Approved the Board Policy Committee.
- ✚ Approved the Minutes from December 17, 2012.

◇ **Information/Discussion Items**

✚ Freedom of Information Request

A Freedom of Information request was received from Jake Griffin, Daily Herald Senior Writer, for the names of all school board members or school district employees who attended the Illinois Association of School Boards conference from November 16-18, 2012, in Chicago, as well as copies of all invoices, receipts and expenses reimbursed to any of the school board members and/or school district employees who attended the conference. This request was fulfilled.

✚ CLIC Self-Insurance Pooling Resolution

Legislation has been introduced that would make insurance cooperatives less competitive and would require districts to hire attorneys above and beyond what's already included in the district's coverage. District 88 will seek a resolution that supports the concept of pooling and warns against unnecessary legislative interference.

◇ **School Recognition**

• Addison Trail

- Congratulations to Tiago Silva, cellist who represented Addison Trail at the Illinois Music Educators Association Conference! Mark Corey, Band Director, was named President of the ILMEA.
- Course Information Night took place January 24; all departments were on display.
- Before the musical performance of *Footloose*, a reception will take place at 6 p.m. Saturday, February 9, in the Blazer room to honor Dale Bower, former ATHS English teacher and Theatre Director. In addition, a scholarship will be created in his name and will be given to a senior student who wishes to pursue theatre at the collegiate level.
- During February, students will register for next year's classes.
- Congratulations Boys Wrestling, Co-Conference Champions with Willowbrook!
- Congratulations to Casey Boksha, who placed 2nd on floor and 5th in the all-around at the Girls Gymnastics Conference meet!
- This Saturday evening is Senior Night for Girls Basketball.

• Willowbrook

- Congratulations to Bill Gilmer, Band Director, who received the 2013 "Mary Hoffman Award of Excellence" on Thursday, January 24, for music education from the Illinois Music Educators Association!
- Curriculum Showcase took place January 24. Many students and families of the class of 2017 came and toured the building.
- Congratulations Boys Wrestling, Co-Conference Champions with Addison Trail!
- WB is hosting Battle of the Bands January 29.
- The Outstanding Student Breakfast will begin at 7:30 a.m. Thursday, January 31.
- Willowbrook will host its annual Athletic Hall of Fame Induction Dinner and Game February 1 and 2, respectively.
- 369 National Career Readiness Certificates were awarded; 57 Bronze, 190 Silver, 120 Gold and 2 Platinum.
- The Junior Practice ACT will be February 6.

◇ **Board Member Reports**

- ✚ Mrs. Kucik reported the 3-on-3 Tournament will be March 9 at Willowbrook.
- ✚ Mr. Johnson reported out on SASED. There are questions and concerns with the budget.
- ✚ Mr. Johnson reported out on LEND and the Detachment Review Committee.
- ✚ Mr. Gillen reported out on last week's Wrestling meet at Willowbrook.

Board Of Education Meeting Dates
All meetings are at 7:30 p.m. in the District 88 Boardroom

Monday, February 11, 2013: Regular Business Board Meeting

Monday, February 28, 2013: Educational Focus Board Meeting



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