

Monday, April 14, 2014
Regular Business Board Of Education Meeting

◇ **Recognition of Business Partners**

Dr. Scott Helton, Superintendent of Schools, presented Abel Marquez of Stir Crazy in Oak Brook with a certificate acknowledging the alliance between District 88 and the Business Partner. Each month, Stir Crazy supports the District 88's Best Award by donating two gift certificates to be awarded to the District 88's Best recipients for reaching their personal best in the areas of academics, highly improved performance, extracurricular activities, service work and performing arts/electives. District 88 thanks Stir Crazy for their support!

◇ **Discussion Items Requiring No Action**

- ✚ List of Bills for March 2014, with the exception of check #505696 to Jay Irvin and check #505705 to Phyllis Johnson.

- ✚ Purchase of physical education uniforms for Addison Trail and Willowbrook.

- ✚ Purchase of student agenda planners for Addison Trail and Willowbrook.

- ✚ Purchase of duplicating paper for Addison Trail, Willowbrook and District Office.

- ✚ Authorization to dispose of listed equipment and materials.

- ✚ Personnel

CERTIFIED STAFF RESIGNATIONS:

- James Bryla, Addison Trail CTE Teacher, effective at the end of the 2013-14 school year.
- Nicholas Metcalf, Willowbrook Special-Education Teacher, effective at the end of the 2013-14 school year.
- Amy Peppi, Addison Trail English Teacher, effective at the end of the 2013-14 school year.

CLASSIFIED STAFF RESIGNATIONS:

- Ines Cring, Addison Trail Music Teacher Aide, effective at the end of the 2013-14 school year.
- Sarah Pouls, Willowbrook Writing Center Part-time Teacher Aide, effective March 28, 2014.

CLASSIFIED STAFF APPOINTMENT:

- Joseph Michals, Willowbrook Part-time Writing Center Teacher Aide, effective April 7, 2014.

INTERN STAFF APPOINTMENT:

- Nadia Gomez-Moran, Addison Trail Social Work Intern, effective for the 2014-15 school year.

◇ **SEPARATE ACTION Items, which included the following, were approved by the Board:**

- ✚ List of Bills Exceeding \$5,000.00.

- ✚ Donations:

- Andrea Stawiry of Bloomingdale donated a 2005 Volkswagen Jetta to Addison Trail's CTE Department.
- The Steve and Deloras Sarovich Foundation donated \$500 to Willowbrook's Boys Volleyball Team.
- Tom and Dawn Head of Villa Park donated a 1996 Ford Explorer to Willowbrook's CTE Department.

◇ **SEPARATE ACTION Items – continued**

- ✚ Resolution appointing Dr. Scott J. Helton as the District 88 Board of Education representative to the DuPage Area Occupational Education Systems (DAOES) Board of Directors for the 2014-15 school year.
- ✚ Personnel Resolutions, including: authorizing the elimination or reduction of certain certified employment positions; authorizing reassignment and transfer of teachers; authorizing notice and honorable dismissal of certain educational support personnel; and authorizing honorable dismissal of teachers.

◇ **Information/Discussion Items**

- ✚ Recognition of Tenure
Congratulations to the following teachers, who have been granted tenure status for 2014-15: Kim Eger, Curtis Tate, Kendrick Thomas, Roseann Janusz and Margaret Lamb!
- ✚ Insurance (Medical & Dental) Premium Renewal Rates 2014-15
Mr. Edward Hoster, Chief Financial Officer, presented the medical and dental insurance premium renewal rates for the 2014-15 school year. Overall, premiums reflect a rate reduction, with the exception of HMO Dental.
- ✚ Credit Card Payment Summary
Mr. Hoster reviewed the district's credit card use report for March 2014, as outlined in Board Policy 4:55, Use of Credit and Procurement Cards.
- ✚ Preliminary Property Tax Extension 2013
Mr. Hoster reviewed the property tax extension, which serves for the 2014-15 school year, and highlighted some of the changes from the prior year. The projections for the tax extension proved to be more favorable than originally anticipated.
- ✚ Educational Focus Items for April 28, 2014
Educational Focus Items for the April 28 Board meeting will include District 88's Best Students, new textbook requests, handbook changes and the Sister Cities Italy exchange trip.
- ✚ Freedom of Information Requests
The following Freedom of Information requests were received and fulfilled:

A request from Esther Castillejos from Better Government Association (BGA) for copies of: 1) Any and all current collective bargaining agreements, including, but not limited to, union contracts with teachers. 2) Any and all employment/personnel agreements and contracts with current administrators, including, but not limited to, superintendents. 3) The most recent approved operating and capital budgets. 4) Any and all confidentiality agreements adopted, approved or signed in calendar years 2011, 2012 and 2013. (These agreements would involve any agreements governed by a confidentiality or nondisclosure clause – and often involve personnel matters, real estate transactions and the like.) 5) Documents sufficient to show the names and corresponding job titles and salaries of any and all employees and Board members as of today.

A request from Ms. Lennie from Education Matters for electronic copy of all e-mails (including attachments) sent/received since February 13, 2014, via school district e-mail services with the following keyword: DILLARD.

- ✚ Upcoming Board Committee Assignments
The Board reviewed its committee assignments for the art shows, scholarships and graduation.

◇ **School Recognition**✚ **Addison Trail**

- Addison Trail, once again, is recognized by The Washington Post as one of "America's Most Challenging High Schools" and ranked in the top 6 percent of U.S. public high schools for 2014.
- Congratulations to Harmenpreet Singh, SkillsUSA State Champion in Principles of Technology! Singh advanced to Nationals and will compete this summer in Kansas City! Also, congratulations to Antonio Vargas, who placed 4th in Automotive Service Technology, and Carlos Rodriguez, who placed 8th in Principles of Technology!
- On April 16, 2014, Addison Trail will host its 4th Annual College Fair, with more than 140 colleges/universities attending. The event runs from 6 to 8:30 p.m.
- At the Winter Sports Awards, 22 students were recognized as All-Conference, and 22 were recognized as All-Academic. Congratulations!
- Congratulations, Science Olympiad! This past weekend at U of I, the team placed 14th in the Large School Division out of 47; 1st in Bungee Drop; 2nd in Elastic Launch Glider, 4th in Air Trajectory and 4th in Boom-a-lever.
- Opening Ceremonies for the WSC Special Needs Sports Spectacular begins at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, May 6, 2014.
- Boys Volleyball is undefeated, 9-0. The team took 1st place last Saturday at the Rolling Meadows Invite. Congratulations, and best of luck!
- This past Saturday, Boys Gymnastics took 3rd place at the Addison Trail Invite. Congratulations to Marco Martinez, who placed 2nd in the All-Around Competition!
- Softball is off to a positive start. Current record is 5-4, with victories against Montini, Fenton, Glenbard East, Rolling Meadows and Hoffman Estates. Go, Blazers!
- Highlights from the Glenbard East Badminton Invite, wherein the team took 3rd place are: Izy Kantor, 3rd place at 1st Singles; Kinga Kaczowska, 3rd place at 3rd Singles; Daniella Gonzalez and Rachel Schneider, 3rd place at 2nd Doubles; and Brenda Rodriguez and Paola Ortega, 3rd place at 3rd Doubles. Congratulations to all!

✚ **Willowbrook**

- Willowbrook, once again, is recognized by The Washington Post as one of "America's Most Challenging High Schools" and ranked in the top 6 percent of U.S. public high schools for 2014.
- Congratulations to the Science Olympiad team! Last weekend, the team traveled to U of I and captured 1st place at the State competition. Nineteen individual medals were awarded. Those individuals earning 1st-place medals were Kevin Monaco and Chris Cheng in Water Quality; Brandon Young and Kevin Cheng in the Dynamic Planet Competition; and Emily Gornick in the Designer Genes Competition.
- Last Friday, the Introduction to Engineering PLTW class traveled to College of DuPage for the first time to participate in the Annual Engineering Olympics. Students competed against 37 other schools in hands-on competitions to test skills and abilities in the integration of Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM). One of our student teams was recognized with a 4th-place finish in the Engineering Design Competition. Congratulations!
- Our Model UN students competed at Northwestern University this past weekend and presented a position to their committees representing the countries of Iran, Jordan and Japan. Senior Rocky Dubinas was recognized for his outstanding work and received 3rd place in this area of concentration. Congratulations to Dubinas and the Model UN Team!

✦ Willowbrook-continued

- At the SkillsUSA Competition, John Khouri placed 1st in Auto Body Refinishing. Khouri will compete in June at the National competition in Kansas City. Congratulations, and best of luck!
- Spring sports are under way, with a positive start. Go, Warriors!
- Upcoming events: April 16 – PE Dept/Nurse’s Office Wellness Day Fair; April 23 and 24 – PSAE testing; April 24 through 26 – Spring play, “God of Carnage”

Board Of Education Meeting Dates

All meetings are at 7:30 p.m. in the District 88 Boardroom

Monday, April 28, 2014: Educational Focus Board Meeting

Monday, May 12, 2014: Regular Business Board Meeting

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