

Monday, January 26, 2015
Educational Focus Board Of Education Meeting

◇ **Recognition of District 88 Successes**

88's Best Students

88's Best Students Eric Gilliam from Addison Trail and Isabelle Martinez from 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, Eric and Isabelle were given an 88's Best glass sculpture and a certificate.

◇ **Public Hearing on the Five-Clock-Hour-Day Waiver**

A public hearing took place on the Five-Clock-Hour-Day Waiver. Mrs. Jean Barbanente, Assistant Superintendent, gave an overview of the proposed waiver application. District 88 is requesting this waiver to accommodate one day of an alternative testing schedule. The district seeks to administer the ACT and PLAN tests on March 3, 2015, and the waiver would allow the district to fulfill the needs of students and meet the complex testing requirements of the ACT.

◇ **Educational Focus Items**

Seal of Biliteracy

Mrs. Jean Barbanente, Assistant Superintendent, presented that the State Board of Education is moving to recognize students who demonstrate a high level of proficiency in one or more languages (in addition to English) by awarding a State Seal of Biliteracy. The seal would be placed on a student's academic transcript or diploma.

World Language Curriculum

The World Language Department Chairs presented the changes made within their department's curriculum, which are based on the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL) standards and aligned with Common Core ELA standards. The changes include the integration of new textbooks and interactive websites, six common assessments, development of district-wide performance rubrics and increased collaboration and articulation within the district. The student response has been quite positive.

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

- ✚ List of Bills for December 2014.
- ✚ Personnel Report.

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

- ✚ Financial Audit 2014 - Narrative and Financial Audit Report were presented.
- ✚ Treasurer's Report for December 2014.
- ✚ Budget Status Report for December 2014.
- ✚ List of Bills Exceeding \$5,000.00.
- ✚ Rejection of the Exterior Door Replacement and Security Entrance Upgrade Bids for Addison Trail High School.

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- ✚ Fundraisers exceeding \$1,000.00: Willowbrook's CenterStage Show Choir to sell tickets for "A Night at the Cabaret" dinner and show in the school cafeteria to offset the cost of music and choreography for the CenterStage Show.
- ✚ Application/Modification of Five-Clock-Hour-Day Waiver.
- ✚ Donation.
- ✚ Personnel

Certified Staff Appointment:

- Alexander Raver, Willowbrook Part-time Special-Education Teacher, effective January 15, 2015.

Certified Staff Unpaid Leave Of Absence:

- Rebecca Cibulka, Addison Trail Part-time Social Studies Teacher, effective for the 2015-16 school year.

Certified Staff Resignation:

- Tricia Mueller, Addison Trail Math Teacher, effective February 20, 2015.

- ✚ Reciprocal Reporting System Agreement with the Village of Villa Park.
- ✚ The following meeting minutes: December 2, 2014, Buildings & Grounds Committee meeting; December 15, 2014, Regular Business/Educational Focus Board meeting; December 15, 2014, Closed Session Board meeting.

◇ **Information/Discussion Items**

Credit Card Payment Summary

Mr. Edward Hoster, Chief Financial Officer, reviewed the district's credit card use report for December 2014, as outlined in Board Policy 4:55, Use of Credit and Procurement Cards.

Freedom of Information Requests

The following Freedom of Information requests were received and fulfilled:

A request from Ms. Crystal Davis of ISBS Corp., for:

- Copies of all active copier and printer lease agreements the district currently has, as well as any corresponding & amp; active service agreements for the district's existing fleet of copiers and printers.

A request from Mr. Scott Reeder of Illinois News for:

- Provisions within the district's collective bargaining agreement providing for compensation (pay and/or benefits) for union officials while performing union-related activities.
- The pay of the employee(s) who receive this benefit.

◇ **School Recognition**

Addison Trail

- ✚ The Class of 2019 and their families attended a Course Information Night and Athletic/Activity Fair last Thursday.
- ✚ FAFSA Financial Aid Night is Jan. 29. We encourage seniors and their parents to attend.
- ✚ A "Beauty and the Beast" Character Breakfast will take place on Jan. 31, from 9 to 11 a.m. Tickets are \$7 at the door or \$5 in advance. Children younger than the age of 2 are free.

D I S T R I C T 8 8 B O A R D O F E D U C A T I O N

- ✦ Pack-the-Place Basketball is Jan. 30, against Willowbrook-girls at 6 p.m. and boys at 7:30 p.m.
- ✦ Throughout the month of February, our students will be selecting their courses for next year. Please contact our Guidance Office with any questions.
- ✦ AT's Best Breakfast will take place on Feb. 3 in the Blazer Room.
- ✦ The winter musical, "Beauty and the Beast," runs Feb. 5 through 7.
- ✦ On Feb. 7, the TPO will host its Spaghetti dinner from 4 to 6:15 p.m.
- ✦ In Girls Bowling, Molly Schmelter had nine strikes in a row and finished with a 275 against Hinsdale Central, while Amanda Jastrzebski is currently 4th in Conference with a 189 average. Congratulations!
- ✦ Best of luck to the Wrestling Team as they take on Morton to clinch the Conference title. The game is Jan. 29 at 7 p.m.

Willowbrook

- ✦ Second semester began on Jan. 20, 2015.
- ✦ Last week, Willowbrook hosted a Curriculum Showcase and Step-Up Days for the Class of 2019. During these events, the incoming freshmen took a tour of the school, viewed co-curricular activities and selected their courses for next year.
- ✦ During the month of February, freshmen, sophomores and juniors will be selecting their courses for next year.
- ✦ The Outstanding Student Breakfast is Jan. 29.
- ✦ Best of luck to the athletes who will compete in the IHSA Regionals and Sectionals. Go, Warriors!
- ✦ The 2015 Athletic Hall of Fame Induction is Feb. 5 at The Carlisle in Lombard.
- ✦ Come see the winter play, "Little Women," which runs Feb. 12 through 14.
- ✦ The Athletic Open House will take place on April 8.
- ✦ Congratulations to the Wrestling Team for its victory over Leyden during Senior and Alumni Night!
- ✦ The Boys Basketball Team has an eight-game winning streak, with two West Suburban Conference wins last week. Congratulations!

◇ **Action Necessitated by Closed Session**

No action was necessitated by Closed Session.

Board Of Education Meeting Dates

All meetings are at 7:30 p.m. in the District 88 Boardroom (unless otherwise noted)

Monday, February 9, 2015: Regular Business Board Meeting

Monday, February 23, 2015: Educational Focus Board Meeting

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