

BOARD BRIEFS



Addison **4**
School District
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At its Regular Meeting of **October 25, 2017** the Board of Education conducted the following business:

Mr. Langton, Superintendent, recognized the members of the School Board on behalf of the Community, Staff and Students. Mr. Langton read a proclamation declaring November 15, 2017 as School Board Appreciation Day. Certificates and Mrs. Prindables' Caramel Chocolate Pretzels were presented to each Board member. Mr. Langton thanked the board members for the countless hours that they commit to, both at meetings, at home and in the community – all of which they are not compensated for. He also thanked them for their continued support.

The Board approved the Minutes of the Regular and Closed Session Meetings of September 27, 2017, and the Special Joint Board Meeting of October 12, 2017.

The Board approved the Accounts Payable for the Month of October 2017.

The Board approved the Payroll for the Month of September 2017.

Communications/Public Participation on Agenda and Non-Agenda Items: None

Presentation:

- Mr. Dave Smogor, Principal of Lake Park Elementary School, offered information about Lake Park's Positive Behavioral Interventions & Supports (PBIS) Program. The positive culture at Lake Park is no coincidence. Lake Park's hard working staff make a conscious effort in modeling good behavior. Their planning began in the summer after reviewing data and safety became the focus of their efforts. Some of the ways safety is being addressed is through an anti-bullying campaign, self-esteem assemblies, cool tools and rewards.
- Mrs. Donna Haney, Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction, made a presentation to the Board regarding the status of student achievement in Addison School District 4. Her report focused on both State and National perspectives, as well as an update on student growth data. She spoke about the different types of assessments that are being used. The results of these assessments will be used to create the District Improvement Plan and all the School Improvement Plans. These plans will be presented to the Board at the December 20, 2017 meeting.

Administrative Reports:

Superintendent Report – Mr. John Langton reported on the following:

- Staff continues to do a great job of sharing stories about what is going on in the district. A reminder to the Board to continue monitoring these great activities on Twitter.
- Congratulations to all employees for supporting Breast Cancer Awareness by wearing pink today.
- District administrators recently met, have agreed to a process and are on schedule for the development of district goals for the upcoming years. He will make some recommendations to the Board at the November 29th Board meeting.
- Thank you to Mr. Williams for representing the district with him at the Addison 2040 Community Visioning Meetings. The sessions were productive and future needs were identified. There has been great collaboration between municipal agencies. A summary report of these meetings was given to the Board.

Assistant Superintendent for Business – Mr. Tim Keeley reported on the following:

- He is attending an upcoming conference to learn more about the 5CastPlus software that will assist with data reporting into monthly financial reports to the Board.
- He and Mr. Langton recently attended an information seminar on the new State Evidence-Based Funding Model. No district will lose money this year, but future funding is not guaranteed.
- Facilities Update:
 - Two grant-funded projects will see an outdoor water fountain and a playground rubber playing surface installed at the Early Learning Center this year.
- Over 70 employees/spouses participated in the annual wellness screening last week, with 34 receiving the flu vaccine as well. 14 gift cards were raffled off.
- Members of the Insurance Advisory Board (IAB) recently met and committed to being early adopters of new initiatives and benefits products. They also set a goal of increasing participation in the employee wellness screening process.

Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction Report – Mrs. Donna Haney reported on the following:

- The upcoming Early Release Day on October 27, 2017 will include staff meeting as grade levels, learning more about new science materials, participating in Professional Development and collaborating with teams/departments. She distributed an agenda for this day.
- 75% of students in grades 1,4 and 7 have received their Chromebooks. Both students and teachers are very excited! Teachers have been given one round of Professional Development and will participate in additional sessions in November and December. A huge thank you to all that were involved in this process, particularly the Technology Department.
- The Addison Public Library continues to collaborate with District 4 to provide programs to our students. Ms. Lynch and her team recently provided an after school hands on STEAM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics) project for Indian Trail students. Last month approximately 160 students attended.
- The Educational Development Council (EDC) is in the process of finalizing plans for the November 20th Institute Day. The morning will focus on team buildings and expert presentations from staff and the afternoon will include technology sessions and team articulation.
- For the December 20, 2017 Board of Education meeting, the Curriculum Department will be seeking the Board's approval for the District Improvement Plan (DIP) and the School Improvement Plans (SIPs) for all schools.

Action Items:

- The Board approved the District 4 Staff Employment requests, as presented.
- The Board approved the Club/Activity sponsor applications for the 2017-2018 school year, as presented.
- The Board approved the Resolution for Estimated Amounts for the 2017 Tax Levy, as presented.
- The Board accepted the 2016-2017 Annual Financial Report (AFR), as presented.
- The Board approved the list of Authorized District Depositories, as presented.
- The Board approved the Resolution authorizing payment of Board member expenses for the 2017 Joint Annual Conference, as presented.

Discussion Items:

- The next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting will be Wednesday, November 29, 2017 and will take place at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of Indian Trail Junior High School.

- The Joint Annual Conference (IASB/IASA/IASBO) will take place on November 17-19, 2017.
- Mr. Wartman responded to two FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) requests in a timely manner.
- Mr. Langton noted that each Board member received an electronic copy of the Illinois Association of School Boards' (IASB) Report to the Membership. He asked them to review the proposals and give feedback to Mr. Williams, the Board Delegate.
- Mr. Langton and Mr. Ruffolo are reviewing Closed Session Minutes for the possibility of declassification. Their recommendation will be brought to the Board for approval in the November Board meeting. Audio recordings which are more than eighteen months old (where the Minutes have already been declassified) will also be destroyed.

Miscellaneous/Unfinished Business:

- Mr. Langton thanked the 6th, 7th and 8th grade students from Indian Trail Junior High School for the lovely artwork hanging in the Board Room. These students are under the direction of art teachers Mrs. Heather Pintz and Mr. Brant Biba.

The Board of Education meeting officially adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

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