

# BOARD BRIEFS



Addison **4**  
School District  
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At its Regular Meeting of **March 21, 2018**, the Board of Education conducted the following business:

The Board approved the Minutes of the Regular Session Meeting of February 28, 2018.

The Board approved the Accounts Payable for the Month of March 2018.

The Board approved the Payroll for the Month of February 2018.

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

## **Presentation:**

Dr. Carrie Stange, Principal, Fullerton Elementary School – Fullerton Pride:

- Thank you to the Board of Education for allowing her to present all the wonderful programs and activities happening at Fullerton School; they are also thankful for the student Chromebooks.
- Their Building Leadership Team is focusing on parental involvement and communication, based on the Panorama Survey results.
- Teachers are using many apps to share their classrooms' stories, such as Twitter and Seesaw; they are also using Bloomz and Class Dojo to communicate with parents; in addition, the Fullerton office uses the Remind app to communicate with parents.
- The app Flipgrid was demonstrated to the Board to show what students and staff love about Fullerton School.

## **Committee Reports:**

- Intergovernmental Meeting of March 1, 2018 – Mr. Ruffolo reported that:
  - The Addison Park District pool is closed, but other local park districts are offering reduced pool rates to Addison residents; Addison Frogs are swimming in Bensenville.
  - The Addison Fire Protection District has a new ambulance; they are conducting a joint rescue taskforce training with the Addison Police Department
  - The Addison Township Food Pantry opened on March 8<sup>th</sup>
  - Willowbrook High School hosted a School Safety Forum on March 12<sup>th</sup>; at Addison Trail High School, they are participating in the Addison Safety Night with the Addison Police and Fire Departments; their Blood Drive was held on March 15<sup>th</sup>.
  - The Village of Addison noted that the Bicentennial Parade would be held on August 26<sup>th</sup>; also, the Addison Motel is being demolished and replaced with a new Spring Hill Suites.
- Buildings & Grounds Committee Meeting on March 14<sup>th</sup> – Mr. Ruffolo reported that:
  - The committee discussed the Secure Vestibule project.
  - They discussed the DDC Controls (Building Automation System), S-4 HVAC Unit Replacement and summer 2018 Paving project, which the Board will take action on in tonight's meeting.
  - The committee discussed the install of the replacement playground at Fullerton School.
  - They discussed the aligning of the bell schedules, clock and intercom systems in all schools with a proposal to install an upgraded system.

- The committee discussed the summer 2019 construction planning to get ahead of the game; they addressed many items from the recent Health/Life Safety survey.

### **Administrative Reports:**

Superintendent's Report – Mr. Langton reported on the following:

- Congratulations to the PIE (Partners for Inspired Education) Foundation on the success of their recent fundraiser; proceeds from this event will directly benefit the participating school district associated with PIE (districts 4, 45, 48, and 88); many thanks to Diane Junokas for her hard work on this event.
- Thank you to Kris Brokos, Diane Morrill and Lawrence Underwood from District 4, the DuPage Foundation and the JCS Fund for their joint effort on the Young People's Music Grant. This year, our district received \$150,000 to provide rich learning opportunities for our students. Kris, Diane and Lawrence will again begin the application process for year 2 of this grant opportunity.
- An overview of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) and the Evidence Based Funding Model (EBFM) was prepared and given to the Board to help guide the understanding of how our school district is preparing for these changes.
- Our district, in partnership with Metropolitan Family Services (MFS) applied for Prevention Initiative funding from the State of Illinois Board of Education to provide center-based services for 24 children through the Addison Children's Center. The grant was recently awarded and two new classrooms will be opened at the center. Thanks to Lisa Black-Gomez and Chuck Wartman for their collaboration in completing this grant.
- Congratulations to Indian Trail 8<sup>th</sup> grader, John Pinns. John auditioned for and was selected to play in the National Junior Honors band this June at Carnegie Hall in New York City. There were over 15,000 applications submitted and John is one of 200 students selected. What a great musical achievement, John!

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

- Five candidates are being interviewed for the Facilities Engineering Manager's position.
- Three candidates are being interviewed for the Payroll position.
- The Skyward fee management module implementation is proceeding as planned. This system will go live next year. Kudos to Gina Grabowski, Nicole Kazanecki and Kim Lohse for their work to bring this project from conception to reality!

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

- Plans are being finalized for the last early release day of this school year. Mandy Froehlich will be the keynote speaker during the first 50-minute rotation. Her topic will be *The Longest School Day: How to Regain your Love of Learning*. For the other 50 minutes, teachers will be working with their grade level, department or team on chosen learning activities.
- Summer learning activities for students will include:
  - A two-week science workshop, provided by The People's Resource Center, for students entering first through eighth grade in the fall. This workshop runs July 9-19 at Indian Trail Junior High.
  - The Northeast DuPage Special Recreational Association (NEDSRA) will run their camp at Indian Trail from June 11 through August 3.
  - Welcome to Kindergarten Camp will run from June 9-27 at the Addison Early Learning Center. This no cost camp includes breakfast. Students will participate in play-based activities designed to acquaint them to school routines and to help them get ready for Kindergarten. This camp will be provided by a Healthy Communities Grant from the Illinois State Board of Education.
  - District 4 will be offering a summer STEM camp from July 9-27 for Indian Trail students. This program will be similar to last summer's Science and Entrepreneurship and Exchange program.
- Summer learning activities for teachers will include:

- All grade levels will have an opportunity to meet to revise instructional documents on June 6-8.
- District 4 is hosting a Smekens Writing Workshop for two days at the end of July. The district will cover the cost of the registration.
- Technology training will take place in August.
- CPI training will be offered in June and August for interested staff.
- Six teachers participating in the Science and Math Partnership Grant will continue in the second year of the program. Science is the focus this year.
- Instructional Technology Support for all students will be necessary with the continuation for the Chromebook rollout. A proposal to add five Instructional Technology Specialists was given to the Board in preparation for this support, along with a job description of this position.

**Action Items:**

- The Board accepted the District 4 Staff Resignation requests, as presented.
- The Board approved the District 4 Staff Employment requests, as presented.
- The Board approved the District 4 Administrator Employment Contract, as presented.
- The Board approved the Board Meeting Dates for 2018-2019, as presented.
- The Board approved the contract for DDC Controls (Building Automation System) upgrade project, as presented.
- The Board approved the contract for the District Office S-4 HVAC project, as presented.
- The Board approved the contract for the 2018 pavement rehabilitation, as presented.
- The Board approved the Legat Architects contract for summer 2019 construction, as presented.
- The Board approved the abatement consulting agreement, as presented.

**Discussion Items:**

- The next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting will be Wednesday, April 25, 2018 and will take place at 7:00p.m.in the Board Room of Indian Trail Junior High School.
- The Board was updated on Kindergarten Registration and Returning Student Registration Information for 2018-2019.
- The District 4 Educational Foundation for Excellence Fun Fair is scheduled for Friday, April 13, 2018 at Indian Trail Junior High School from 5:00-8:00p.m; Mr. Langton encouraged everyone to attend.
- The Addison Council of PTAs' (ACPTA) Annual Dinner will take place on April 19, 2018 at the Empress Banquets at 6:30p.m. Mr. Langton asked the Board to let Mrs. Miller know if they have not responded to this invitation.
- The job description for the Facilities Engineering Manager has been updated. Board members can let Mr. Langton know if they have questions about this.
- FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) Request – was responded to in a timely manner:
  - Received from Stephen Cichelli, Smart Procure, with 60 pages of information, which took 10 minutes to prepare.

**Miscellaneous/Unfinished Business:**

- Mr. Langton noted that the beautiful artwork hanging in the Board Room was completed by students at Stone and Wesley Schools, under the direction of Ms. Denise Ghidorzi.

The Board of Education meeting officially adjourned at 8:25p.m.