

BOARD BRIEFS



Addison **4**
School District
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At its Regular Meeting of **October 24, 2018** the Board of Education conducted the following business:

The Board approved the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 26, 2018.

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

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

Communications/Public Participation on Agenda Items: None

Presentation:

- Dr. Carrie Stange, Principal at Fullerton School, shared a review of their first two months in school. This school year has been off to a whirlwind start and there are still so many exciting events coming up. Dr. Stange and her team are grateful for all of the updates to their school. The secure vestibule helps everyone feel safe and the new office and conference room ensure that students and families are well taken care of, in a comfortable, welcoming space. She also thanked the Board for Fullerton's new playground. Students wrote letters to the Board of Education last year requesting a new playground and they were excited to find it installed on their first day of school. Fullerton has already hosted several events for parents and participated in the Shriner's Parade. Students have also had the opportunity to participate in a Dancing Drum Assembly, clubs, Walk to School Day, and two book donation events. This year all students received Chromebooks and they are careful and proud of them. They are learning how to safely and responsibly use them, while also using them creatively in the classroom. The remainder of the year is filled with upcoming family events and additional opportunities for students.
- 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 29, 2018 meeting.

Administrative Reports:

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

- He recognized the members of the School Board on behalf of the Community, Staff and Students. An ASD notebook, pen, and Nothing Bundt Cakes Bundtlets were presented to each Board member. Mr. Langton thanked the board members for their continued support and countless hours that they commit to our community, all of which they are not compensated for. Their efforts are making a difference for our students.
- He shared that we were awarded a School Violence Prevention Program (SVPP) grant through the US Department of Justice under their Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) Division. This \$329,000 joint SVPP grant with the Addison Police and DuPage High School District 88 will outfit all of our schools with the BluePoint Alert system enhancing our ability to notify first responders of an emergency in our schools. Timelines for installation and training are still in the works.

- Effective this October, the Illinois State Board of Education will be modifying the annual school report cards to align with the new Every Child Succeeds Act (ESSA) guidelines required by the Federal Government. The ISBE is still finalizing the report cards with updated School Designations. We are still waiting for our official letter, but we are expecting all 8 of our schools to receive an updated commendable designation.

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

- The Summer 2019 Capital Improvements bid was published last week. We have notified all vendors on our bid lists and expect a healthy turnout at the pre bid meeting on November 1. Bids are due on November 15 and we anticipate a recommendation to the Board at November 28's meeting.
- Our annual staff wellness screenings are taking place in November. A special thanks to the ASD4 Wellness Committee for their help with spreading the word.
- This year we have several contracts expiring; Transportation (Regular Ed and Special Ed), Facilities Trade Vendors (for non-summer work), Custodial Services, and Classroom Furniture. Therefore we will be publicly bidding or negotiating renewals. We will keep you posted on timelines as they develop.

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

- The November 19 Institute Day will focus on teambuilding, technology presentations, writing professional development, support from our Kindergarten KIDS coach, and wellness.
- The Students Involved in Technology (SIT) Conference is scheduled to take place at Blackhawk Middle School in Bensenville on Saturday, February 9, 2019. This conference is for 3rd-8th graders and provides STEM-focused sessions led by student presenters. We are going to send student representatives and their teacher sponsors to present again this year.
- Due to the success of our 2018 Kindergarten Camp, the district has applied for and been approved for the Healthy Communities Grant from the State Board of Education. Our allotment was increased by \$15,000, so we are now able to expand the program to more classrooms and the program to four weeks. Additionally, in cooperation with the Addison Early Childhood Collab, we will offer "Coffee and Conversation" for the parents of the students attending Kindergarten Camp.
- This winter, we will be offering another five week book study entitled #PDintheCold. Staff will be offered the opportunity to choose from two district-purchased books (*Kids Deserve It* or *Teach Like a Pirate*) OR suggest a book of their own.
- Our Indian Trail Social Science department participated in training last week from Discovery Education and will be piloting their Techbook with all students. This program is aligned to the new Social Science standards and offers inquiry based experiences for our students.
- All elementary and IT Language Arts staff received professional development from Smekens Education this month. The Smekens consultant was able to meet with grade levels for 45 minutes and model a writing lesson with students.
- Our ITS staff continues to provide professional development and support to our teachers and para-educators regarding technology integration. In addition to their ongoing PD, the team has been very creative with their support and communication with staff through #twitterthirdthursday, Tech Tip Tuesday's, and Lunch & Learns.
- For the December Board meeting, we are planning on recommending for your approval the School Improvement Plans (SIP) plans.

Action Items:

- The Board approved 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 Staff Parental Leave of Absence request, as presented.

- The Board approved the Club/Activity sponsor applications for the 2018-2019 school year, as presented.
- The Board approved the Resolution for Estimated Amounts for the 2018 Tax Levy, 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 2018 Joint Annual Conference, as presented.
- The Board approved the Resolution to Declassify Closed Session Minutes and Destroy Closed Session Recordings, as presented.
- The Board approved the District Improvement Plan (DIP) and School Improvement Plans (SIPs) for Ardmore, Lincoln, and Indian Trail Jr. High Schools, as presented.

Discussion Items:

- The next Regular Board of Education Meeting will take place on Wednesday, November 28, 2018 at Indian Trail Junior High School in the Board Room at 7:00 p.m.
- The Special Joint Board Meeting with Districts 88, 45, 48, & 4 will take place on Thursday, October 25, 2018 at Medinah Shriners Banquets in Addison at 5:30 p.m. The presentation will cover ESSA Collaboration.
- The Joint Annual Conference (IASB/IASA/IASBO) will be November 16-18, 2018.
- Some grants require that School District Internet Safety Policies, Rules, and Procedures be shared with the Board annually. These documents are included in the Board Member packets.
- Thank you to DuPage Credit Union for awarding two teachers with \$250 Color Grants and four teachers with \$500 Color Grants.

Communications/Public Participation on Non-Agenda Items: None

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 8:45 p.m.

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