

BOARD BRIEFS



Addison **4**
School District
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At its Regular Meeting of **February 22, 2017** the Board of Education conducted the following business:

The Board approved the Minutes of the Regular and Closed Session Meetings of January 18, 2017.

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

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

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

Presentation – Student Discipline – Ms. Anastasia Netzel and Mrs. Kimberly Trubich, Indian Trail Deans

- The Deans presented the Board with information regarding legislative changes, effective September 15, 2016, that guide student discipline decisions.
- The new law focuses on keeping students in school, providing documentation on a student’s misconduct and requiring alternative disciplinary measures instead of expulsion and suspension.
- Board Policy has been updated to reflect the passage of Senate Bill 100.
- There is an emphasis on safety to other students and staff and not allowing outward disruptions.
- A revised, more detailed, written letter is now provided to the parents.
- Short term and long term suspensions have now been spelled out.
- All attempts are made prior to suspension to allow students other pro-active and positive interventions and resources.

Committee Reports:

- Mr. Ruffolo gave the Board information on the recent Buildings and Grounds Committee meetings of January 18, 2017 and February 6, 2017:
 - The Indian Trail Air Handling Unit will be replaced, not repaired.
 - The committee is moving forward with the installation of the Building Automation System (BAS).
 - Solar panel installation continues to be discussed and researched.
 - District wide radios are being reviewed, as a recommendation of the district’s Safety Committee. The plan includes moving from analog radios to digital radios and includes both internal communication, as well as district wide communication.
 - Stone and Wesley school offices will be remodeled with refurbished furniture and new, front counters that are ADA approved.
 - Internal summer projects include standardizing rooftop exhaust fans throughout the district and installing magnetic whiteboards and ceiling mounted projectors, and replacing light fixtures with LEDs at Wesley, Lake Park and a portion of Indian Trail. This is a continuation of a project that began last summer and will include the hiring of two summer helper positions.
 - External summer projects include the continuation of paving work at Fullerton and the remainder of Indian Trail. Also being considered is the option to ventilate the server closets, as well as the HVAC

control in principal offices when there are no additional staff in the building. The Fullerton playground is under consideration for an update.

- Mr. Langton added that building entrances are being surveyed for safety. He will report back to the Board on this matter.
- Mr. Williams reported on the Budget Committee meeting of February 8, 2017, where the following was discussed:
 - Local, state and federal revenue assumptions, plans for current and future education programs and operating expenses for next year were reviewed.
 - Two scenarios were presented for the five year financial projections:
 1. A base scenario, which includes revenue projections and a representation of expenditure plans if no changes are implemented in our programs
 2. The implementation of an Instructional Coaching model at all schools, which includes an additional 12 FTEs.
 - The committee decided to bring both scenarios back to the entire Board of Education for review, when more financial information becomes available.
 - Student transportation is likely to increase at approximately 15%, due to the hiring and retaining of bus drivers. The district has the option of entering into a two-year contract extension. The Cottage Hill contract extension (Special Education) will be brought to the Board for approval later in tonight's meeting and the First Student contract extension will be brought to the Board in the March 22, 2017 Board meeting.
 - Student Fees for the 2017-2018 school year were discussed and a recommendation to the Board will be made later in the evening.
- Mr. Ruffolo conveyed information regarding the Intergovernmental meeting of February 9, 2017:
 - The Addison Park District is closing their pool after this year and there will be options for residents to use the pools in surrounding communities; Park Pride will be held on Saturday, May 13th.
 - Addison Trail High School recently welcomed future Freshman students during their annual Pay It Forward program; their automotive program is one of the top high school programs in the country; the Swim Team took 1st place in the West Suburban Gold Conference (without having a pool); the 45th annual Flower Show will be held on February 28th.
 - District 88 welcomed 10 students and staff from Huantai 1st Middle School in China; they recently refinanced \$80 million in bonds, saving taxpayers about \$10.6 million.
 - State Representative Kathy Willis is now the Chair of the Fire and Emergency Services Committee; she will host a Community Resource Fair at Lake Park School on April 22nd.
 - Village Trustee Sylvia Layne has resigned from the Village of Addison Board and Sam Nasti has been appointed to take her place.
 - The Addison Public Library is working with District 88, College of DuPage and the Friends of the Library to help with SAT testing preparation; the Library Board is currently working on a new Strategic Plan.

Administrative Reports:

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

- The Addison School District 4 Educational Foundation for Excellence has reviewed over ninety mini-grant applications, which is the most applications they have ever received; they will award over \$30,000 in approved applications at their Fun Fair on April 7th.
- Stakeholder Survey-

- During the weeks of February 6th through February 17th, all District 4 students in grades 3-8, all employees, and parents/guardians were surveyed to help the district gauge their areas of success and where improvement is needed.
- Thank you to Kim Lohse who has been working with Panorama Education to complete this task.
- Redefining Ready!
 - This proposal lays the foundation for understanding that our children are more than a test score and suggest that college and career indicators should include additional indicators.
 - A list of these indicators was shared with the Board to include High School, Middle School and Elementary measures.
 - Thank you to Dr. Scott Helton for the work he has done in DuPage County to help develop these indicators.

Assistant Superintendent for Business – Mrs. Marcy Boyan reported on the following:

- Governor Rauner presented his Budget Address on Feb. 15th and proposed the following for FY2018:
 - To fully fund General State Aid (GSA) and to end proration of transportation reimbursements.
 - To increase funding for K-12 education by an additional \$213 million over the current year's budget.
 - Retain the MCAT grants' (various Special Education categories) funding at the same level as this year.
 - Add an additional \$38 million more for English Language Learners and \$50 million more for Early Childhood Education programs.
 - A \$5 million match of the federal E-Rate funds to help with broadband connectivity in places where needed.
- The Average Daily Attendance (ADA) estimates were completed and recently submitted to the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE). These approximations will be used to determine the General State Aid appropriations payable in Fiscal Year 2018.
- Financial Comparison Year to Date for the current year with the previous year-
 - This snapshot tool shows where the district fares in spending halfway through the school year.
 - Collectively, the district is in pretty good shape on the current Budget.

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

- PARCC (Partnership for Assessment of Readiness for College and Careers) and DLM (Dynamic Learning Maps) assessments:
 - PARCC will begin on March 6th and go through until April 28th.
 - DLM will begin on March 15th and have until May 1st to complete; this assessment is for students with significant needs.
 - Students in grades 3-8 will be assessed in English, Language Arts and Math; students in Grades 5 and 8 will be assessed in Science.
 - Teachers are preparing for this assessment by teaching to the Standards and addressing specific technology and academic skills. Thank you to the teaching staff for preparing students for this assessment.
 - Thanks to Mrs. Lohse, the Technology Department, and the Principals for their support of the necessary needs for this assessment.
- Current and Upcoming Events in the department:
 - The annual ESSA (Every Student Succeeds Act) State Conference recently took place in Chicago with many district administrators attending.

- During the February 17th Teacher Collaboration Day (TCD), elementary staff learned about the Literacy Committee's work on the development of a writing framework; the middle school staff learned about how to support our English Learners and the Early Learning staff focused on Creative Curriculum and Teaching Strategies Gold.
- Parent Teacher Conferences will be held on Thursday, March 2nd from 12:45-3:30p.m. for elementary schools, and 12:30-3:00p.m. for Indian Trail.
- Institute Day will take place on March 3rd throughout DuPage County. District 4 staff will participate in various activities through one of the following: NDSEC, DuPage County, ICE (Technology) and ILASCD (PreK and K).
- Throughout the March 17th Early Release Day (ERD), licensed staff and para educators will participate in "In-House Expert" Presentations. There will be a track for Licensed Staff and a track for Para Educators. Powerful learning will take place when 15 staff members present to their colleagues. Thank you to the staff members who are presenters, the Board and Mr. Langton for allowing staff to participate in these activities that will enhance instruction and increase student learning.
- Planning is taking place with District 88 for the summer STEM Camp that will take place at Willowbrook High School. A company called *LearnTec* will provide the instructors and the materials.
- The Curriculum Department has been working closely with the Regional Office of Education to complete a two-year Science and Math Partnership Grant. We are partnering with four other districts in the area. This opportunity, if granted, would be offered to three K-5 teachers and three 6-8 teachers. The intense commitment of these teachers would include eighty hours of professional development each summer, four eight-hour Saturdays each year and four PLC days each year (Subs would be secured). Lesson Study and Intel Math would be the focus for year one and NGSS would be the focus for year two.
- The STEM opportunity through the Science and Entrepreneurship Exchange (SEE) will be happening this summer for four weeks. The program can accommodate forty incoming eighth grade students. Details on the application process and teacher qualifications will be coming soon.

Action Items:

- The Board accepted the District 4 Staff Resignation requests, as presented.
- The Board accepted the District 4 Educational Support Personnel (ESP) Dismissal, as presented.
- The Board approved the District 4 Employment requests, as presented.
- The Board approve the District 4 Licensed Staff Parental Leave request, as presented.
- The Board authorized the Assistant Superintendent for Business to begin the Tentative Budget process for FY2018, as presented.
- The Board approved the amendment to the Addison School District 403(b) Retirement Plan, as presented.
- The Board adopted the Licensed and ESP Staff Seniority Lists, as presented.
- The Board approved the Student Fee Schedule for 2017-2018, as presented.

- The Board approved the Special Education Transport Service Contract Extension for 2017-2019, as presented.
- The Board approved the mid-year Salary Increase for all non-union employees (employed in their current Position prior to July 1, 2016), retroactive to July 1, 2016, as presented.

Discussion Items:

- The Addison Teachers Association will hold their annual bowling fundraiser on Monday, March 6th at Stardust Bowl from 4-7p.m.

- The next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting will be Wednesday, March 22, 2017 and will take place at 7:00 p.m. in the Board Room of Indian Trail Junior High School.
- Mr. Wartman responded to a FOIA (Freedom of Information Act) request in a timely manner.
- Mr. Wartman announced that Kindergarten registration for 2017-2018 will take place in the Army Trail School gym on Friday, March 10, 2017 (8-11a.m. & 12-3p.m.), Thursday, March 23, 2017 (4-7p.m.) and Wednesday, April 12, 2017 (4-7p.m.). Kindergarten registration packets will be available in all buildings on Monday, February 27th. Registration packets for students currently enrolled will take place from April 5th through May 8th. Residency night will take place on April 25th.
- The Board of Education is reviewing the proposed Board Meeting dates for 2017-2018 and will take action on this item during the March 22, 2017 meeting.
- Mr. Langton reminded everyone of the upcoming Consolidated Election on April 4, 2017. There are five candidates for four open seats on the Board.
- Mr. Langton also announced the upcoming District 4 Educational Foundation for Excellence Fun Fair on Friday, April 7, 2017, from 5-9p.m. at Indian Trail Junior High School.

Miscellaneous/Unfinished Business:

- Mr. Langton noted that the beautiful artwork hanging in the Board Room was completed by students at Fullerton School, under the direction of Ms. Lisa Struc .

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

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