Oak Park and River Forest High School, District 200 Board Briefs

Thursday, November 21, 2013

Board Actions

Approval of the following items:

- Consent items:
 - Check Disbursements and Financial Resolutions dated November 21, 2013;
 - Monthly Treasurer's Report;
 - Monthly Financial Reports;
 - Personnel Recommendations, including New Hires, Retirement, and Stipends;
 - Acceptance of an Omega enlarger, various trays, tongs, thermometer and cylinders for the photography program;
 - The Library Grant Application; and
 - School Energy Efficient Project Grant
- Action Items
 - Amendment of Policy 2:260, Uniform Grievance Procedure;
 - Amendment of Policy 5:10, Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment;
 - Amendment of Policy 5:20, Workplace Harassment Prohibited;
 - Acceptance of Feeder Group Criteria;
 - Approval of Resolution calling a public hearing concerning the intent of the Board of Education to transfer \$5,025,000 from the Educational Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund
 - Approval of Open and Closed Session Minutes September 26 and November 12, 2013 and a declaration that the closed session audiotapes of April 2012 be destroyed
 - Charged Student RES 11-21-13-2 tuition consistent with the hearing officer's findings of the per capita tuition rate of \$19,157.23, or \$108.23 per day, for 51 school days beginning August 20, 2013 through October 31, 2013. The student will be eligible to remain in Oak Park and River Forest High School for the remainder of the 2013-2014 school year based upon the student being an Oak Park resident for 16 years and based upon the new lease agreement, with follow-up monitoring.
 - Expelled Student EXP 11-21-13-1 through second semester of the 2014-15 school year, held in abeyance, pending successful completion of district approved drug counseling. In addition, the student is required to have successfully completed educational programming at agreed upon alternative education site recommended by OPRF. THE PSS Team and Special Education department will review placement to determine if the student is passing all classes and without discipline and/or attendance incidents near the end of the second semester of the 2013-14 school year to determine further outcomes relative to student's alternative placement.

Reports

Dr. Isoye reported that 1) OPRF received the SchoolSearch 2013 Bright A+ Award for academic excellence in education, one of only 60 Illinois school districts to receive the award; 2) OPRF students became the first in the world to engage in a private live-stream Q & A with an actor and interviewer at the world-renowned Shakespeare's Globe Theater through the connections that Mr. Bell made during his sabbatical last year; 3) OPRF hosted and won the North Suburban Math League Math Meet with the following results: Jackson Kirshbaugh-Maish took second in the Oral Competition, Kevin Farrell, Alex Schoeny, and Sanjeev Venkateson had perfect scores for Oak Park, giving them a first place in the team competition, the Junior Team tied for first place in its team competition, Erich Luepke scored a perfect, helping the seniors take first place in their team competition; 4) 34 OPRFHS students were selected for 2013 Illinois Music Educators Association All-District ensembles; congratulations to Jackson Kirschbaugh-Maish who took second in the oral competition; Kevin Farrell, Alex Schoeny, and Sanjeev Venkateson who had perfect scores, the Junior Team who tied for first place in team competition, and senior Erich Luepke who had a perfect score, which helped the seniors take first place in their team competition. 5) The following speech team members earned medals in the first speech tournament of the

year; Gabriela Gonzalez-Stuver, 2nd place Novice, Prose Reading, Oliver Zapater-Charrette, 2nd place Novice, Humorous Interpretation, Mark Weissglass, 4th place Novice, Humorous Interpretation, Jack Richardson, 5th place Novice, Oratorical Declamation, and Oliver Zapater-Charrette, 6th place Novice, Poetry Reading; 6) Sophomore Hattie Grimm was the winner of a logo-design contest sponsored by WGN: 7) Stacy Lenihan was chosen to participate in the School Nutrition Association's Future Leaders program on behalf of the Illinois School Nutrition Association and this signifies her as an emerging leader who is expected to shape the future of the national association; 8) Seven Huskies have signed letters of intent and/or committed to accept athletic scholarships to pursue their sports at the college level. They were: Katherine Appell, Mercyhurst University, Water Polo, Davonte Mahomes, University of Michigan, Wrestling, Alanna Dassoff, University of Wyoming, Swimming, Sam Cottingham, Beard-Western Illinois University, Baseball, Cori Conley, Penn State University, Field Hockey, Keith Rogalla, Creighton University, Baseball, Patrick Murphy, Northern Illinois University, Golf; 9) Girls' tennis players Tess Trinka and Taylor Arends took second in doubles at the state tournament. The Girls Tennis team finished 10th overall; 10) Girls' Volleyball beat Glenbard South to take its first sectional championship since 1987; 11) Girls' Cross Country concluded its season with several members competing at the state finals. Congratulations to 5th place finisher and all-stater Mary Blankemeier, who ran an impressive and personal best of 17:07 and three other girls who ran personal bests: Hannah Gorin, Jenn Smith, and Mahal Schroeder; 12) Congratulations to the Varsity Football team (9-1) on a fantastic record this year; 13) the Girls' Swimming and Diving team took second place at Sectionals and Alanna Dassoff set a new record in the 100 yd. backstroke, the first new girls varsity record since 1996 and Hanna Blankemeier set a new freshman record in the 200 yd. freestyle, 14) OPRFHS hosted one of two to three hearings for the Eradication of Domestic Violence task force. The task force is co-chaired by State Representative Camille Lilly who also sponsored the Bill in the House. Senator Don Harmon was the Chief Senate Sponsor. The co-chair for the task force was Chris Ptack, Prevention Program Director for Sarah's Inn. The Honorable Dorothy Brown is the administrator in charge for the work of the task force. This allows for people to provide testimony about the need for this work. Several teachers, administrators, students, and parents speak, along with other people throughout the region attended this session.

Reports

The Board of Education received the following reports on 1) The School Report Card and 5Essentials, 2) Instruction Technology Update, 3) the Swimming Pool, 3) the Reading Report, and 4) the Student Discipline Report. The Board of Education also discussed the Board Committee Structure.

Personnel

New Hires

Huayi He, Special Education Paraprofessional, effective 10/22/2013 **Daniel Scherer-Emunds**, Special Education Paraprofessional, effective 10/25/13 **Patricia Haywood**, Food Service Server, effective 01/06/14

Gwen Walker-Qualls, Director of Summer School, effective 2014 Summer School Session **Roniqua Dent**, Library and Educational Technology Student Worker, effective 10/21/2013 **Ambria Jones**, Library and Educational Technology Student Worker, effective 10/29/2013

Resignation

Carlos Vega, Custodian, effective 10/31/2013

Stipends

Cameron McLaughlin, cardio room, 2013-2014 Athletic Stipend **Alana Breen**, Lacrosse (girls), 2013-2014 Athletic Stipend