

Oak Park and River Forest High School, District 200
Board Briefs
Thursday, January 23, 2014

**Board
Actions**

Approval of the following items:

Consent items:

- Check Disbursements and Financial Resolutions dated January 23, 2014
- Monthly Treasurer's Report
- Monthly Financial Reports
- Personnel Recommendations, including New Hires and Resignations
- Board of Meeting Dates for Calendar Year 2014
- Authorization to Prepare FY '15 Tentative Budget
- Authorization to Prepare Amended FY '14 Budget
- NIIPC Commodity Foods and Selected Commercial Foods Contract RFP
- RFP Results for Board Room Sound System
- Visual Image Photography, Inc. Contract
- Legat Architect Proposal for 2015
- Pekron Consulting Proposal for 2015
- Approval of Open and Closed Session Minutes of November 5, 20, 25, December 10 and 19, 2013, and a declaration that the closed session audiotapes of June 2012 be destroyed
- Amendment of Policies—Policy 3:60, Administrative Responsibility of the Building Principal; Policy 5:50, Prohibitions on Drug, Alcohol, and Tobacco in the Workplace; Policy 5:90, Abused and Neglected Child Reporting; Policy 5:200, Terms and Condition of Employment and Dismissal; Policy 6:250, Community Resource Persons and Volunteers; Policy 7:300, Extracurricular Athletics; and Policy 8:30, Visitors to and Conduct on School Property
- Math Tutor Position
- Henry Bros. Proposal for 2015
- Instructional Materials Fee for 2014-15 School Year, as presented
- The 2014-2019 Strategic Plan
- Annual Residency Verification
- Found Student RES 1-23-14-4 to be a resident for the 2013-14 school year without precedent for the 2014-15 school year.

Reports

Dr. Isoye reported that the following: 1) *Wednesday Journal* named District 200 Board of Education President John Phelan and Vice President Jeff Weissglass as runners up for, respectively, River Forest and Oak Park Villagers of the Year; 2) Olympic athlete Emery Lehman, who will compete in Sochi, Russia, in two speed-skating events, the 5,000 meter and the 10,000 meter, was given a heartfelt send-off by faculty and staff, received a letter of congratulations from OPRF alum and 1996 Olympic gold medalist Dani Tyler (softball), a certificate from Senator Don Harmon, and OPRFHS gear for him to trade with other athletes, an Olympic tradition; 3) 19 OPRHFS music students are at the Illinois Music Education Association state competition in Peoria. Those already announced as top winners in composition are: Reiny Rolock for 1st Place Arranging, 1st Place Instrument Solo, and 2nd Place Vocal Solo; Drake MacMillian for 2nd Place Avant-Garde/Electronic; Lena Fjortoft for 2nd Place Commercial/Popular; Ray Bizot for 1st Place Remix; and Evan Beadleston for 2nd Place Remix; 4) the following state winners will audition for the highest award, participation in the honors level groups: In Band, Grace Alger and Sarah Blobaum—Clarinet, David Messina—Baritone Sax, Fiona Ryan—Bass Clarinet, and Daniel Wheelock—Trumpet; In Orchestra, Patrick Dugan—Double Bass, and Jane Larson and Julia Swain—Viola; In Choir, Caroline Caffrey and Sage

Pope—Soprano I, Joseph Dennis—Tenor I, and Hayley Yussman—Soprano II; in JAZZ, Jonah Phillion I—Alto Sax and Evan Thompson—Piano; 5) Friday, January 17, 125 students participated in an overnight lock-in organized by students in the Black Leaders Union (BLU), and sponsors Jessica Stovall and Lee Wade. Favorite activities included small-group discussions on bullying and the inflatable obstacle course. They also had the opportunity to participate in peace circles, workshops on reflective listening, healthy cooking, hip-hop poetry, and cosmetology, laser tag, and other organized games and activities; 6) 4 OPRF students were among the 339 area high school students who recently received the Cook County Sheriff's Youth Service Medal of Honor for volunteering more than 100 hours to community service projects during 2013. Congratulations go to Senior Nicholas Brady, Junior Michael Fitch, Junior Ryan Fitch, and Junior Carly Jo Loughran; 7) both varsity and junior varsity Special Olympics teams qualified for the state tournament, which will be held in Bloomington -Normal on March 14; 8) Congratulations to the varsity Cheer Team, which placed sixth at last weekend's Illinois Cheerleading Coaches Association state championship; 9) Librarian Ann Carlson was a member of the selection committee for the 2014 Scott O'Dell Award for Historical Fiction, which went to the children's book *Bo* at Ballard Creek.

Reports The Mid-year Update on Board of Education Goals and the Class Size Report were presented. Two FOIA requests were received and satisfied. Student Council reported.

Personnel

New Hires **John Blumenshine IV**, Instructional Teacher's Aide, effective 01/06/14
Luis Donoso, Custodian, effective 12/23/13
Erica Sobanski, Advanced Placement (AP) Testing Supervisor, effective 01/06/14 – 05/14

Resignation **Stacy Lenihan**, Assistant Director of Food Service, effective 01/17/14
John Blumenshine IV, Reading/Instructional Teacher's Aide, effective 01/17/14
Jacqueline Roland, Food Service Server, effective 01/08/14
Patricia Haywood, Food Service Server, effective 01/14/14

**The next regular Board of Education Meeting will be
Thursday, February 27, 2014
6:30 p.m. closed session & 7:30 p.m. open session
Board Room**