

Oak Park and River Forest High School, District 200

Board Briefs

Thursday, May 22, 2014

Board

The Board of Education recognized Senior Grace Niewijk for becoming one of the 14 U.S. students competing for four international championship awards at the BioGENius International Challenge in San Diego. She also placed 3rd at the National Junior Science Humanities Symposium and received \$6,000 in the Medicine & Health category. Senior Jared Corbett for placing first in the national P.L.A.T.O. contest, a philosophy-essay competition, for his essay “Probablistic Chains.”

**Board
Actions**

Approval of the following items:

- Consent items:
 - Check Disbursements and Financial Resolutions dated May 22, 2014
 - Monthly Treasurer’s Report
 - Monthly Financial Reports
 - Personnel Recommendations, including Job Change, Leave of Absence, New Hires, Resignations, Retirements and Teachers Recommended for Tenure
 - Open and Closed Session Minutes April 24 and May 13, 2014 and a declaration that the closed session audiotapes of September 2012 be destroyed and that the closed session minutes of January 1, 1989 through May 2014 shall remain closed.
 - Hotel Contract for Prom 2015
 - NIIPC Rollover Request for Proposals
 - Prevailing Wage Resolution
 - Teacher Retirement Contracts
 - Administrative Retirement Contracts
 - Food Service Freezer and Cooler Bid
 - Rescue Assistance RFP
 - Contract with HARBOR Academy
 - Provisional Texts for Adoption
 - William Blair Underwriter Engagement Letter
 - Policies for First Reading
 - 7:20 Harassment of Students
 - 7:180 Preventing Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment
 - 7:190 Student Discipline
 - 7:200 Suspension Procedures
- Amendment of Policies:
 - 2:30 School District Elections
 - 2:10, Qualifications, Terms and Duties of Board Officers
 - 4:30 Revenue and Investments
 - 5:10, Equal Employment Opportunities
 - 5:30, Hiring Practices
 - 5:125, Personal Technology
 - 5:190, Teacher Qualification
 - 5:240, Suspension
 - 7:70, Attendance and Truancy
 - 7:140, Search & Seizure
- Contract with SEIU Classified Personnel Association and OPRFHS
- Amended Budget for 2013-14, as presented;
- Reimbursement to Dr. Gevinson and Dr. Lee for registration fee for Policies to Make Illinois Competitive in a Global Economy presentation.
- Abatement of Emergency Days, as presented.

- Resolution Appointing IMRF Authorized Agent and certification by the Clerk of the Board of Education
- The Professional Development Plan for 2014-15;
- The Hay Group Compensation Philosophy Work, as presented;
- The DuPage West Cook Resolution
- Resolution for Emergency Fieldhouse Repairs without the competitive bid process, as presented
- The Fieldhouse Repair Contracts with CMM Group, Inc. and Luse Companies to remediate and repair the main structural supports that hold the steel ductwork in place for a total contract price of \$70,169.92, as presented;

Reports

Dr. Isoye reported the following 1) seniors Grace Alger, Kirsten Cabacungan, Grace Niewijk, Megan Peters, and Jonah Phillion won National Merit Scholarships. In addition, Christina Harrington and Justin Sapp won National Achievement Scholarships; 2) The annual Honors Convocation was held May 20 at which approximately 360 students received academic honors, enrichment travel awards, and scholarships from local sources totally more than \$120,000 from the local community; 3) The freshman-sophomore Math Team, Noah Banholzer, Ethan Mertz, Lauren Pritz, Grace Liao, Polina Bondarenko, Sanjeev Venkatesan, Anishka Bandara, and Alex Schoeny, took 5th place at the Illinois Council of Teachers of Mathematics State Math Competition; 4) Math teacher Jennifer Stinich received the Texas Instruments Inspiring Young Teacher Award from the Metropolitan Mathematics Club of Chicago, nominated by Christine Mondragon; 5) Sophia Carlin, Julianna Faracota, Claire Good, Charlie Weissglass, Lee Werner and Grace Zimmerman, took 1st place in a regional "Shakespeare Slam" called the Battle of the Bard, winning \$1,000 for both the English and the Fine Arts Departments; 6) The Percy Julian Science Symposium was held at OPRFHS winners were 1st Place: Grace Niewijk, 2nd Place: Maura Dahl, 3rd Place: Julia Szewc, 4th Place: Faith Lewis, 5th Place: Sarah Peters; 7) Julia Szewc received the Xerox Award and Latroy Robinson won the ISET Symposium Award; 8) The Huskie Booster Club awarded Lynn Lealious with its Huskie Pride Award: Lynn Lealiou, Jim Heininger with its Work Hard Like a Huskie Award, Bret Patnode with its Huskie Achievement Award: Bret Patnode; Mary Rita Skrine with its Huskie Leadership Award, Tom Carraher with its Huskie Community Award; Michelle Bayer with its Award for Outstanding Staff Member; and Dana Connell and Christine Linde with its Don Dieta Award for Outstanding Volunteer Service; 9) Winners at the Chicagoland Television Educators' Council (CTEC) Video Festival included: Cosmo Coffey, 2nd place Documentary, Ross Constable, 2nd place Music Video, Bri Williams, Anna Goelzer, and Sophie Garnder, 3rd place Talk Show; Gold: Cosmo Coffey, Silver and Gold: Mike Filek; Silver: Ross Constable, Jack McMullen, Hunter Samsom, Ellie Vanderwell, Silver and Bronze: Tommy Jackson, Sara Janz, Brian Pearlman, and Bronze: Ana Goelzer; 10) At the national student-poetry competition Dylan Days, Delaney Miller took 1st place, Marlana Wadley took 3rd place, Rebecca DiSomma and Latroy Robinson were finalists; 11) The following students were wished well in their competition at the state competition in track and field events: Mary Blankemeier, Hallie Voss, Mahal Shroeder, Jenn Smith, Hannah Gorin, Hannah Martin, Matilda Msall; Chisolm Nwoko, Bri Holloway, Imani Stines, Amari Wilkerson, Komiya Martin, Norma Abdur-Rafia, Myia Jones, Lashauni Lashley, Ella Rosa, Chena Underhill; 12) Luisa Vasquez and Dominique Walker qualified and competed in the state doubles badminton team.

Reports

Informational reports and discussions included the Comprehensive Services that are Intensive (CSI) Program and a Board of Education student discipline retreat. Faculty Senate and Student Council reported.

A public hearing on the amended budget was also held.

Personnel

Job Change

Buster Torrez, Special Education Program Chair, effective 08/14/2014

Leave of Absence

Eleanor Crawford, History teacher, effective for the 2014-15 school year

New Hires **Ixtla Arceo-Witzl**, History Teacher, effective 08/14/2014
Elizabeth Farrow, English Teacher, effective 08/14/2014
Jason Fried, Math Teacher, effective 08/14/2014
Sana Jaber, Math Teacher, effective 08/14/2014
Erin Leuschel, English Teacher, effective 08/14/2014
Matt McMurray, History Teacher, effective 08/14/2014
Tamara Robinson, Math Teacher, effective 08/14/2014
Evan Tarshish, History Teacher, effective 08/14/2014
Daniel Wolman, History Teacher, effective 08/14/2014

Summer School Hires

Jamie Winchell	Elizabeth Ebsen	Richard Mertz	Donal Collins
Emmanuel Pena	Kyle Farley	Michael Soffer	Beth Dressel
John Turek	Rick Halle-Podell	Heather Cody	Mary Nissen
Nancy McGinnis	Jennifer Harrington	Regina Topf	Ann Tomaino
Kris Johnson	Daniel Kleinfeldt	Andrea Neuman	Robert McShane
Melissa Woods	Joseph Kostal	Patrick McCormack	Patricia Kremidas
John Colucci	James Nudera	Joseph Parenti	Olivia Billingsley
Jose Sosa	Derrick Purvis	Annalise Ansell	Patt Cheney
Rahasad Singletary	Keldra Rabichow	Fawn Joyce	Mary Poro
Michelle Bayer	Jenifer Roth	Anthony Clark	Bryce Mailhot
Caitlin Bridges	Lee Wade	Meghan Kennedy	William Fillyaw
Douglas Brown	Gwen Walker-Qualls	Thomas Tarrant	Nick Poiere
Michelle Carrow-Sever	Patti Warren	Delrita Thomas	Ben Neuman-Auturo
James Cassidy	Neal Weisman	Brian Gariti	Ethan Moes
Helen Chang	Steven Weiss	Weldon Rogers	Clare O'Connor
Jeremy Colquhoun	Valerie White	Alex Krick	Joe Hines
Brian Davis	Paul Wright	Kim Spearman	Jonathan Saucedo

Resignation **John Morton**, Special Education Teacher, effective 05/16/2014

Retirement **Zelda Bland**, History Division Secretary, effective June 1, 2015

Tenure	Meghan Cahill	Counselor
	Lynn Gilbertsen	English
	Amber Hooper	Librarian
	Patrick McCormack	Special Education Teacher
	Esteban Medina	Counselor
	Nicholas Michalek	Industrial Technology Teacher
	Emmanuel Pena	History Teacher
	Derrick Purvis	Business Education Teacher
	Rahasad Singletary	Physical Education Teacher
	Christina Smith	Science Teacher

The next regular Board of Education Meeting will be
 Thursday, June 26, 2014
 6:30 p.m. closed session & 7:30 p.m. open session
 Board Room