

Oak Park and River Forest High School, District 200
Board Briefs
Thursday, December 19, 2019

**Board
Recognitions**

Teacher of the Month - **Chris Meglan**
Employee of the Month - **Pat Gerwig**
Volunteer of the Month - **Katrina Beck**

In addition, the following people were recognized for being true heroes for helping to save the life of a student: **Physical Education Teacher Kevin Campbell, Teaching Assistant Lamar Linnear, and Students Will Martin and Micah Nalls.**

Actions

- Approval of the following consent items:
 - A. Check Disbursements and Financial Resolutions dated December 19, 2019
 - B. Monthly Treasurer's Report
 - C. Acceptance of Audit Report
 - D. Valor Technologies Abatement Contract for 2020 Capital Improvement Projects
 - E. Personnel Recommendations including New Hires, Transfers, Stipend Positions, Resignations, Release
 - F. Policies for First Reading
 1. 2100, Board Member Conflict of Interest
 2. 2110, Qualifications, Term, and Duties of Board Officers
 3. 220, Powers and Duties of the Board of Education; Indemnification
 4. 2230, Public Participation at Board of Education Meetings and Petitions to the Board
 5. 4150, Facility Management and Building Programs
 6. 5120, Employee Ethics; Conduct; and Conflict of Interest
 7. 550, Drug- and Alcohol-Free Workplace; E-Cigarette, Tobacco, and Cannabis Prohibition
 8. Policy, 830, Visitors to and Conduct on School Property
 - G. Open and Closed Minutes of November 21 and December 10, and a declaration that the closed session audio tapes of May 2018 shall be destroyed
- Policy 2200, School Board Meeting Procedure, for first reading
- Approval of Levy
- Approval of Abatement Resolution
- School Calendar for 2020-21 and 2021-22
- Bid- Awards 2020 Capital Improvements

Reports

Dr. Pruitt-Adams announced the following: 1) Senior Roz Beile *attended the recent UN Climate Change Conference* in Madrid, where she participated in the youth leaders panel; 2) In national news, OPRF Debate team members David Griffith and Sam Shafiro are currently *ranked the No. 18 team in the country*; 3) More than 200 OPRF seniors have been *named 2019-2020 Illinois State Scholars*. Approximately the top 10 % of high school seniors in the state qualify; however, OPRF consistently has about 20% of its seniors named as Scholars; 4) The Girls Swimming and Diving Team *finished their season strong*, with Alex Mitchell and Yasmin Ruff earning All-State Honors. Coach Mark Pappalardo secured another consecutive award as Sectional Coach of the Year; 5) The Varsity Robotics Team *qualified for state at their first tournament of the year*. Congratulations to Takuma Kawamura, Aaron Close, Justin Segawa, Annie Ren, and Jamal Sachleben; 6) 42 music students have been chosen to participate in the Illinois Music Educators Association *All District Senior Festival for Jazz, Choir, Orchestra and Band*; 7) The Food Services department has been *recognized by the Oak Park Environment and Energy Commission* as being a valuable contributor to sustainability in the Village of Oak Park. Food Service changed the packaging of its "pizza kits" and salads, which has diverted 142 pounds of single-use plastic from the waste stream every week; 8) The Speech Team won the *Give Back*

Challenge Award for the sixth year in a row at the District 211 Thanksgiving - Let's Give Back Tournament. The team collected close to 100 cans of food and donated \$95 cash; and 9) The Shakespeare Slam Team competed in the regional bout and was voted the team "that most embodied the spirit of the slam," for how the Huskies supported and inspired the other teams.

The Board of Education discussed the framework and Metrics for its Goal 2. The procedures for the Racial Equity Policy were presented. Student Council and FOIA reports were given. Informational reports included: Facilities Master Plan Updated, District Data Dashboard Debut, and the Student Mural/Civics Project.

Personnel Report

- New Hires** **Janelle Smithson**, History Teacher, effective second semester 2019-20 school year
- Transfers** **Mayra Delgado**, Testing Specialist, effective 01/06/2020
Kristen McKee, Coordinator of Learning Analytics and Supports, effective 01/06/2020
- Stipends** **Christopher Baldwin**, Boys Track Coach, effective 12/09/2019
- Resignations** **Krystle Jones**, Coordinator of Assessment & Research, effective 12/06/2019
Christopher Baldwin, Girls Track Coach, 12/09/2019
Thomas Ocasek, Permanent Substitute, effective 12/22/2019
- Release** **Connie Wetzel**, Administrative Assistant, effective 12/12/2019

**The next regular Board of Education Meeting will be
Thursday, January 23, 2020
6:30 p.m. closed session & 7:30 p.m. open session
Board Room**