

**Oak Park and River Forest High School, District 200**  
**Board Briefs**  
**Thursday, November 18, 2021**

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**Employees of the Month**

Congratulations to: Teacher of the Month - Brandi Ambrose and Employee of the Month – Roberto Tucker

**Student Showcase**

The students showcased this month were: IHSA State Finals in Golf 7<sup>th</sup> place winner, Nate Bibbey. Girls Varsity Field Hockey Team members: Cate Barkdoll, Allyson Baer, Audrey Glore, Josephine Parkinson, Maeve McAndrews, Demitra Dussias, Hailey Nowak, Casey Mosbacher, Halle Rigden, Margaret Butler, Ella Kuenster, Greta McNulty, Kathryn Golla, Leyna Fougere, Deirdre Golla, Shealy Callahan, Tiala Ortega, Lily Rose Drews, Caroline Revsine, Ada-Louise Wigfield, Katherine Werthmann, Abigail Brawley, Eva O'Keefe, Marcy Callahan, Julia Maldonado, Giovanna Aguilar-Ripley, Bridget Lynch, and Samantha Welin, who placed second in state, and Stage Crew members: Jonathan Hugh, Patrick Zeigler, and Sam McDermott.

**Board Actions**

- Approval of the Following Consent Items
  - A. Approval of Open and Closed Minutes of October 28 and November 4, 2021 and declaration that the audiotapes of the closed session minutes of April 2020 be destroyed and a declaration that the closed session minutes of January 1, 1986 through October 28, 2021 shall remain closed with the exception of October 4, December 13 and 21, 1983 and January 14, 23, and 28, 1984.
  - B. Policies for Second Reading and Action
    - Policy 2:240 Board Policy
    - Policy 7:220 Bus Conduct
    - Policy 7:230 Misconduct by Students with Disabilities
    - Policy 6:170 Title 1 Programs
  - C. Approval of Personnel Recommendations, including New Hires, Transfers, Retirements and Resignations
  - D. Presentation of Monthly Treasurer's Report - September 2021
  - E. Presentation of Monthly Financials Report - September 2021
  - F. Approval of Check Disbursements and Financial Resolutions
  - G. Valor Technologies Summer 2022 Abatement Contract
  - H. Photography Work
  - I. Transfer of OPRF High School Archives to the Historical Society of Oak Park and River Forest
- Resolution Authorizing Executive of Employer Participation Agreement for Supplemental Savings Plan through the Teachers' Retirement System of Illinois
- Approval of School Calendars for the 2022-23 and 2023-24 Years
- 2021 Estimated Tax Levy
- Accepted with gratitude from Ms. Janet Lorch, a donation to the Visual Arts Department a Canon EOS Rebel K2 camera body with a Canon 28-90 mm lens and strap.

**Superintendent Announcements**

Dr. Johnson announced 1) for the 25th consecutive year, OPRFHS has received the Certificate of Excellence in Financial Reporting from the Association of School Business Officials International (ASBO), signifying the district's longstanding commitment to transparent stewardship of public funds; 2) 300 OPRF students earned AP Scholar designations from the College Board following the 2020-2021 AP Exams; 3) Robotics Club team Irish Wristwatch brought home the tournament championship from its first in-person event in more than 18 months. Congratulations to Zephyr Roe, Evan Dominguez, Cory Yu, Shankar Kalidindi, Zeno Chiang, and Kellan Billadeau; 4) Students of the Quarter students were: Adelaide Lazarski, Nicole Librizzi, Jacob Goldberg, Lyla Adelstein, Christian Desir, Timothy Mellman, Elise Borel, Marcus Willis, Kemaria Freeman, and

Megan Barajas; Seniors Sophie Ball, Jelena Collins, and Charlotte Meyer recently traveled to Glasgow, Scotland for the 2021 United Nations Climate Change Conference. They travelled with It's Our Future, a local youth climate group sponsored by Seven Generations Ahead. Their marching orders are to utilize what they've learned to get youth involved on local, state, and national levels to encourage decision-makers to act on sustainability issues; 5) Congratulations to Huskie athletes during the fall sports season: Senior Josephine Welin is the individual girls cross country state champion: OPRFHS's first time to have a cross country state champ., leading the team to a 15th place finish overall; Varsity girls field hockey team took second in state; Swimmers Teagan Osga, Sadie Murphy, Victoria Kouris, and Jessica Li won the gold in the 200-free relay at the conference meet, and Teagan captured a conference title in the 100 breaststroke (all earned all-conference honors); Varsity boys soccer team advanced to the 3A super sectional and ended its season with 19 wins and 4 losses, setting the highest win percentage record in OPRFHS history.

Additional reports presented were:

- First Quarter FY 2022 Variance Report
- Student Council Liaison Report
- FOIA Report

### **Personnel Recommendations**

#### **New Hires**

**Madeline McDonald**, Teacher Assistant, effective 11/29/2021  
**Joyce Gajda**, Boys Swimming Assistant coach, effective 11/22/2021  
**Sarah Wagner**, Girls Wrestling Assistant Coach, effective 11/08/2021

#### **Transfers**

**Bradley Raad**, Special Education Teacher, effective 01/03/2022-05/27/2022  
**Wafaa Alwawi**, Special Education Teacher, effective 01/03/2022-05/27/2022  
**Antonio Lopez**, Safety & Support Officer, effective 11/11/2021  
**Millison Cooper**, Safety & Support Officer, effective 11/09/2021

#### **Retirements**

**Sharon Martinek**, PSS Team Secretary, effective 06/02/2022

#### **Resignations**

**Manuela Sanchez**, Safety & Support Officer, effective 11/05/2021  
**Ashleigh Tor**, Cheerleading Coach, effective 11/01/2021

#### **Releases**

**Keva Brown**, Teachers Assistant, effective 11/08/2021

**The next regular Board of Education Meeting will be  
Thursday, December 16, 2021  
6:30 p.m. closed session & 7:30 p.m. open session**