

Oak Park and River Forest High School
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This is a summary of the actions of the Oak Park and River Forest High School Board of Education at its last meeting on Thursday, November 21, 2002:

- Board Recognition** The Board of Education recognized the following OPRFHS Girls' Field Hockey Team members for placing third at State Competition: Leah Ansell, Kathryn Baron, Stephanie Bernthal, Hanna Colestock, Kara Dewalt, Gillian Fred, Bridget Gallogly, Sara Jerousek, A.J. Karsten, Tori Karsten, Margaret McDermott, Colleen McDonald, Katherine McDonnell, Caitlin Morocco, Holly Nagel, Christine Politis, Lauren Przyborowski, Stephanie Pullos, Elizabeth Seegers, Stacy Sommerfield, Leanna Stracco, Caitlin Weller, and Virginia Young. In addition, the Board recognized their head coach, Barb Liles, and her assistant coaches, Jane Woolfe, Courtney Breen, and Betty Hale.
- Board Actions**
- approved the consent items: minutes of October 17, 24 and November 6, 2002, and declared that the Closed Session Minutes from May 1, 2002, through November 1, 2002, remain closed; personnel recommendations; and financial reports;
 - approved Policy 4365 Works Produced by Employees Using District Working Time or Property and its Procedures, for first reading as presented;
 - accepted with gratitude a donation of 2 JVC speakers, 1 pioneer AMP/receiver and miscellaneous hardware to the Technology Department from Earl O'Malley; a donation of \$500 from OPRFHS Alumni who are members of the Oak Park Country Club, which will be coupled with the \$729 that the golf team earned by caddying, to purchase new "Ping Hoffer 2" golf bags; and a donation of a prototype of the life-sized cow used in Downtown Chicago and decorated in a red, white and blue motif, purchased by Class of 2003 student Michael Palmer;
 - accepted the bid from Food Court Design Group in the amount of \$117,883.98 for the renovation of the North Cafeteria;
 - accepted the 403(b) Plan Audit and Administration Proposal from Citizens' Bank and Trust;
 - approved the IASB resolutions as presented;
 - approved the following Board of Education dates for the 2003 calendar year: January 23, February 27, March 20, April 8, May 22, June 26, August 28, September 25, October 23, November 20, and December 18; and
 - expelled two students as of November 21, 2002, for the remainder of the 2002-03 school year but held the expulsions in abeyance contingent upon completion of enrollment and regular attendance at an alternative placement for the remainder of the 2002-03 school year and ongoing counseling; and expelled one student as of November 21, 2002, for the remainder of the 2002-03 school year and first semester of the 2003-04 school year but held the expulsion in abeyance contingent upon completion of enrollment and regular attendance at an alternative placement for the remainder of the 2002-03 school year and first semester of the 2003-04 school year and ongoing counseling.
- Reports** Dr. Bridge reported on 1) the overwhelmingly successful November 7 and 8 Parent/

Teacher Conferences; 2) the PTO/APPLE/and BOOSTER jointly sponsored fashion show “Stepping Up...Stepping Out” and credited Kay Foran, Director of Community Relations and Communications, as the unsung hero for helping with this event; and 3) OPRFHS’s receipt of \$59,706 in Closing the GAP (CTG) grant money which will be used to purchase 63 replacement computers.

Mr. Lanenga presented the enrollment projections for the next five years which indicate that enrollment is projected to increase 2.2% over the next two years and then slowly decline from a high of 3,028 to 2791 in 2007-08.

The Board Members reported on their various Board committee and liaison representative responsibilities.

Personnel

Non-Certified Staff

Appointments Iris Edgecombe, Special Education Division Secretary, effective 10/28/02

Resignations Latoya Young, Food Service Employee since August 2002, effective 10/18/02

The next regular Board Meeting will be on Thursday, December 19, 2002, at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Conference Room.