

This is a summary of the actions of the Oak Park and River Forest High School Board of Education at its regular Board meeting on Thursday, June 24, 2004:

**Board  
Recognition**

- The Board of Education honored 1) the Girls' Varsity Softball Team for being the State Softball Tournament Runners-Up—Caitlin Morocco, Leah Ansell, Jodie Whealy, Maura Lund, Jessica Rigas, Jane Nightengale, Erika Rosenwinkel, Kate Ziegler, Mia Zinni, Sydney Soucek, Kealan Waldron, Trinity Pierce, Sam Pehlke, Stacy Sommerfield, Lindsey Alport, Stephanie Bernthal, Ann Schraufnagel, Megan Kiefer, and their coaches Mel Kolbusz, Jim Dagostino, John Allen, Leah Carlin, Gary Miller, and Tom Lynch; and 2) the Volunteers of the Year—Dorothy Chambers and KL Robertson Daley.

**Board  
Actions**

- approved the Consent Items: Opened Minutes of May 18, 20, and 27, 2004; personnel recommendations; financial reports; Resolution to Transfer Interest from Bond & Interest Fund to Operations and Maintenance Fund; Early Childhood Collaborative Contract; Textbooks for the following divisions: Science—*The Physics of Everyday Phenomena: A Conceptual Introduction to Physics*, reviewed by Mr. Wolfman; History—*World Civilizations: The Global Experience, AP Edition, 3<sup>rd</sup> Edition*, reviewed by Ms. Fisher; and for the World Languages Division—*Pobre Ana*, Reader; *Patricia va a California*, Reader; *Casi se muere*, Reader; and *El viaje de su vida*, Reader, reviewed by Ms. Ranney; *Interacciones*, 4<sup>th</sup> Edition, reviewed by Mr. Rigas; *En espanol* (Textbook and Workbook), reviewed by Ms. Fernandez; *Workbook Italian: Two and Three Years*, reviewed by Ms. Lucchesi; and *Nakama 2* (Textbook and CD), reviewed by Dr. Greenwald;
- approved the Staff Development Plan for the 2004-05 school year;
- approved the School Improvement Plan for the 2004-05 school year;
- approved the Resolution to Approve the Ethics Policy;
- amended Policy 3600, Prohibited Gifts;
- approved for first readings Policy 4156, Teachers' Retirement System Payments; Policy 4152 Close of School Year; and Policy 4154, Sick Leave;
- accepted with gratitude from Suzanne Lavin, a donation of a bridesmaid dress and a man's suit to the Theatre Department; from Sue Cossey, a donation of a 1989 Nissan to the Auto Shop; and from Brian Reilly, a donation of a 1985 Plymouth to the Auto Shop;
- approved the determination of the Prevailing Wage Rates for laborers and outside contractors in Cook County and the placement of a notice in the *Oak Leaves* regarding the Prevailing Wages and to serve notice as necessary that the wages are effective for the 2004-05 school year;
- renewed the Workers' Compensation Insurance with School Employees Loss Fund for the 2004-05 fiscal year;
- approved the Resolution to Authorize Intervention in Proceedings before the State of Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board;
- renewed the Liability Umbrella Insurance and School Board Legal Insurance through Collective Liability Insurance Cooperative (CLIC) that is administered through MARSHA USA, Inc.;
- approved the Agreement between O.P.R.F.H.S. and William F. Gurrie Ltd.;
- approved the Resolution of the Board of Education of O.P.R.F.H.S. District 200, Cook County, Illinois, approving the settlement of pending litigation (Oak Park Hospital Medical Office Building), as presented;
- accepted the Administrators' Continuing Education Plans, as presented;
- approved the Authorization for Issuing a Notice to Remedy;

- approved the establishment of an additional Dean of Discipline position effective for the 2004-05 school year;
- certified the 689 graduates of the Class of 2004;
- approved the Rules and Regulations in the *Student Handbook* for the 2004-05 School Year;
- terminated the Faculty Senate Local Early Retirement Program pursuant to the Agreement Between the Oak Park and River Forest High School District 200 and the Oak Park and River Forest High School Faculty Senate, IEA/NEA effective June 24, 2004;
- approved GALA Fireworks to present the annual fireworks display on the property of O.P.R.F.H.S.; and
- approved the closed session minutes of May 18, 20, and 27, 2004;

## Reports

Dr. Bridge reported that a team comprised of Mr. Edgecombe, Mr. Prale, Dr. Gevinson, Ms. Blackwell, Dr. Spight, Ms. Hill and she would attend the annual MSAN Conference in Washington, D.C. June 27-30. She expressed deep gratitude for the combined grand total of \$100,442.37 generated by the Huskie Booster Club and PTO for use in academic, activities and athletic programs. She congratulated the Class of 2004 on an excellent commencement and thanked all staff who assisted.

Mr. Edgecombe presented the Faculty Attendance Data and Ms. Stevens presented the Residency Report.

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

## Personnel

### Certified

**Appointments** **Annamaria Carparelli**, World Languages Division Teacher, effective 08/23/04 (approved 06/17/04)

**Marci DiVerde**, World Languages Division Teacher, effective 08/23/04 (approved 06/17/04)

**Amy Hill**, Director of Instruction, effective 08/09/04 (approved 06/24/04)

**Stephanie Oliver**, World Languages Division Teacher, effective 08/23/04 (approved 06/17/04)

**Mary Vogel**, World Languages Division Teacher, effective 08/23/04 (approved 06/17/04)

**Resignations** **Gina Valentini**, World Languages Division, effective 06/11/04 (approved 06/17/04)

### Non-Certified

**Appointments** **Anthony Ariola**, Buildings & Grounds Custodian, effective May 28, 2004 (approved 06/17/04)

**Karla Pineda**, Child Care Teacher, effective 08/18/04 (approved 06/24/04)

**Angela White**, Child Care Teacher, effective 08/18/04 (approved 06/24/04)

**Resignations** **Nancy Brod**, Childcare Teacher, effective 06/15/04 (approved 06/17/04)

**Tina Casella**, Food Service worker, effective 06/11/04 (approved 06/24/04)

**Keith Butler**, Security Monitor, effective 05/28/04 (approved 06/17/04)

**Theresa Lackey**, Fiscal Clerk in Business Office, effective 06/11/04 (approved 06/17/04)

**Lisa Thomas**, Food Service Worker, effective 06/11/04 (approved 06/24/04)

**The next regular Board Meeting will be on Thursday, August 26, 2004, at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Conference Room.**