

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, February 24, 2005:

- Board Recognition**        The Board of Education recognized Illinois State Theatre Festival participants Beth Cheney, Nick Loafman, Michael Nardulli, Meghan Rock, Claire Saxe and their sponsor Patt Cheney as well as All-State Music Conference participants Eliezah Dale, Cole DeGenova, Ian DeJong, Robin Hargardon, Tessa Hermes, Emma Hiolski, Jon Irons, Trevor Kazarian, Ayane Kozasa, Alex McLesse, Jacob Recchia, Katie Risher, Matt Terebessy and their coaches Scotty Jones, Patrick Pearson and Elaine Hlavach.
- Board Actions**
- approved the Consent Items: Open Minutes of January 27, February 2, 4, 15, and 17, 2005; personnel recommendations; financial reports; amendment of Policy 1130, Use of Mailboxes and Mailing Privileges; Policy 1120, Access to Student Records; Policy 3310, Purchasing; Policy 5114-1, Student Discipline/Special Education; and Policy 5114-2, Use of Behavioral Interventions, for First Reading; and Ratification of Northern Illinois Independent Purchasing Cooperative Roll Over Bids;
  - approved the Resolution providing for the issuance of \$1,700,000 General Obligation Limited Tax School Bonds, Series 2005, of Consolidated High School District Number 200, Cook County, Illinois, and for the levy of a direct annual tax to pay the principal and interest on said bonds;
  - accepted with gratitude a minimum donation of \$10 from Keith Anwar, Mary and Peter Burgi, Sally DelBeccaro, Scott Emery, Kathy and Tom Haney, Wayne Juhnke, Alice Ireland, Betty Lau, Alison Nelson and Scott Hargardon, Menchu G. Ong, Mary Ellen Phelan, Charlotte Rubinstein and Michael Salvati, Eleanor Sharpe, Patricia Smoots, and Felicia Stewart to the Celebration! Book! Program. (P.T.O. has partnered with O.P.R.F.H.S. on this project and will contribute \$1 for every \$2 donated: to date P.T.O. has contributed \$177); a donation of an instrument to the O.P.R.F.H.S. Band from Rebecca Brashler; and a donation of two copies of a children's book "The Magic Seed" from Jim Craig, written by his daughter, Sharon Price.
  - approved the Childcare Fees of \$230 per week for infants, \$195 per week for toddlers, and \$195 week for preschoolers for the 2005-06 school year; and approved offering single HMO coverage to childcare workers at the same participation rate as quoted in the Faculty Senate Collective Bargaining Agreement;
  - accepted the Baring Industries Food Service Redesign bid of \$893,298, and approved the commencement of the entire project to begin in the summer of 2005;
  - accepted the terms and conditions of the negotiated Collective Bargaining Agreement with SEIU Local 73, Buildings and Grounds;
  - certified the mid-year graduates as of January 21, 2005;
  - approved the closed minutes of January 27, February 2, 4, 15 and 17, 2005; as presented; and

- expelled student 02/24/05-27 as of February 24, 2005, for the remainder of the 2004/05 school year and 2005 summer school but held the expulsion in abeyance contingent upon completion of enrollment and regular attendance at Harbor Academy for the remainder of the 2004/05 school year, ongoing counseling, and the student will be prohibited from participating in prom, senior activities and the commencement ceremony; expelled student 02/24/05-28 as of February 24, 2005 for the remainder of the 2004/05 school year and 2005 summer school, but held the expulsion in abeyance contingent upon completion of enrollment and regular attendance at an off-campus placement recommended by the Special Education Team for the remainder of the 2004/05 school year and ongoing counseling; dropped residency student 02/24/05-04, from the rolls of O.P.R.F.H.S. as of February 24, 2005 due to nonresidency; and dropped residency students RES 02/24/05-05 and RES 02/24/05-06 from the rolls of O.P.R.F.H.S. as of February 24, 2005 due to non-residency and charge for tuition accrued.

## Reports

Dr. Bridge reported on 1) P.T.O.'s Dinner/Theatre/Silent Auction Fundraiser featuring *Carousel* scheduled for Saturday, February 26, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Additional performances are scheduled for Friday, February 25 at 8:00 p.m. and on Sunday, February 27, at 3:00 p.m.; 2) the large number of people who attended the Open House for the Class of 2009 and complimented Cindy Milojevic, Barry Huitema and all of the division heads for their work in this endeavor; 3) Jamar Johnson's fourth place win in the state wrestling competition; 4) Chris Barlow's first place win in the IHSA State Speech Competition for radio speaking; and 5) the thirty (30) students who reached the finalist stage in competition for the 2005 National Merit and National Achievement Scholarships.

Mr. Lanenga reviewed construction plans for the summer of 2005. Ms. Witham presented O.P.R.F.H.S.'s response to the allegations made by the president of the Trustees of Schools, Township 39.

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

## Personnel

### Certified

**Leave of Absence Request** **Elizabeth Wright**, World Languages teacher, effective the 2005-06 school year

**Resignation** **Julie Dill**, World Language teacher, effective at the end of the 2004-05 school year

### Non-Certified

**Appointment** **Paul Collins**, Security Monitor, effective 02/07/05  
**Tracey Diederich**, Fiscal Clerk, effective 02/07/05  
**Michol Douglas**, part-time Food Services employee, effective 01/025/05  
**James Merriner**, Attendance Clerk, effective 02/14/05  
**Gerardo Vega**, part-time Security Monitor, effective 02/07/05

**The next regular Board of Education Meeting will be on Thursday, March 24, 2005 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Conference Room.**