

Oak Park and River Forest High School

District 200

Thursday, April 30, 2009

Board Briefs

- Student Recognition** The students who achieved in the following areas were honored at the Board of Education meeting:
- Golden Apple Scholar – Megan White
 - Illinois Science Teachers Association Outstanding Science Student Award – Michael Fernandopulle
 - Louder than a Bomb Invitational Nike Slam – Jordan Allen, Noelle Berry, Milton McKinney
 - Louder than a Bomb Chicago All Star Team –Asia Calcagno
 - Louder than a Bomb Chicago Teen Poetry Slam - 2nd Place – Asia Calcagno, Brandon Daniels, Grace Fondow, Paul Frierson, Rebecca Johnson, Kelley Reuter, Keenan Smith
- Board Actions** The Board of Education approved the following consent items: • the Open Minutes of March 17, 19, and 26, April 9, 16, 20, 21, and 23, 2009 and the closed session minutes of March 17, 19, 26, April 9, 16, 20, and 23, 2009; • Resolutions Ratifying Expenses • Resolution Authorizing Execution of Certain Vouchers for the month of April • January Financial Reports • Check Disbursements and Financial Resolutions dated April 30, 2009 • Monthly February 2009 Treasurer’s Report • Renewal of IHSA Membership • Rollover and approval of the NIIPC’s request of Milk Products • award of the NIIPC Food Products and Miscellaneous Non-Food Supplies • award of Bread Products Contract RFP to Alpha Baking Co. • Increased breakfast and lunch prices for Districts 97 and 200 for the 2009-10 school year • elevator upgrade award to Anderson Elevator • award of spring 2010 Athletic Uniforms to Boathouse Sports and Salkeld Sports • one-year extension agreement with R&D Bus Company • Intergovernmental Agreement with Triton for FY 2009-2010 with a 3% increase in custodial and security services • Agreement for Consulting Services with the Collaboration for Early Child Care and Education • textbooks *Little Books of Big Ideas: Pre-calculus; the Power of Functions; Calculus Concepts 1-2A, Food for Today*, for the Fine and Performing Arts Division; *C’est a’ toi!, La Catrina: El Ultimo Secreto, Spanish Mini-stories for Look, I Can Talk!* for the World Languages Division; *Conceptual Physics, Earth Comm: Earth System Science in the Community, Miller & Levine Biology, Foundations Series: Miller & Levine Biology; Modern Chemistry; Living in the Environment; Investigations in Environmental Science: Units 1, 2, and 3; Earth: An Introduction to Physical Geology.*
- declared that the Audiotapes of the September 2007 be destroyed and that the closed session minutes from January 1, 1989 through April 23, 2009, remain closed;
 - accepted with gratitude two 35MM cameras, additional lenses and a flash from Charlie Moran, three formals from Pamela Timme, 58 rolls of sod from Ellington Landscape, and \$2,000 to expanded the TEAM Vocational Program fro the Class of 1988;
 - approved the RFP with Crowe Horwath and directed the staff to negotiate a three-year contract for auditing services according to the RFP specifications for the amount of \$123,200;
 - authorized Cheryl Witham, Chief Financial Officer, to commence with the audit for Fiscal Year 2009 with the Audit firm approved by the Board of Education;
 - adopted the Amended Budget for FY 2008-09;
 - approved the Superintendent’s Compensation for the 2009-2010 school year;
 - approved the Resolution Authorizing Notice of Reduction of Educational Support Staff;
 - approved the request for names of graduating seniors by State Representative Deborah L. Graham;
 - acknowledged the new Board of Education members—Amy Leafé McCormack, Dr. Dietra D. Millard, Terry Finnegan, and Jacques A. Conway;

Reports Principal Rouse congratulated faculty member Peter Kahn and the students who participated in the Louder than a Bomb competition. Mr. Rouse reported on 1) the precautions that the school was undertaking relative to the HI NI virus, e.g., updating the website and getting the latest information, etc., the Presidential Marine Band and Silent Drill team scheduled to present on May 12, 2009, the May 15 Prom events.

Superintendent Weninger reported that OPRFHS was working on three grants: 2 with the Workforce Investment Act and one for Stimulus Money with Steckman Studio to provide an African-American Drumming Program for girls.

A Hearing on the Amended Budget was held.

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

Personnel

Call Backs **Dan Greenstone**, History Teacher (60%)
Rebecca Kucharski, Fine and Applied Arts/ Business Education and Family and Consumer Science Teacher (30%)
Yuko Schultheis, World Languages/Japanese and Chinese Teacher (70%)
Christina Smith, Science Teacher (60%)
Tracy Strimple, Fine & Applied Arts/Speech (30%)

New Hire **Nicholas Michalek**, Fine and Applied Arts/Automotive Teacher effective 08/25/2009
Betina Dunson, Physical Education/Driver Education Teacher effective 08/25/2009
Regina Topf, Physical Education/Driver Education Teacher effective 08/25/2009
Buster Torrez, Special Education Teacher effective 08/25/2009
Robert McShane, Special Education TA effective 04/06/2009

Resignations **Paul Collins**, Safety and Support Officer, effective 06/12/09
Justin Gronko, Special Education TA, 06/12/2009

Terminations **Jeffrey Kennedy**, Special Education TA, effective 03/27/09

This is a summary of the actions of the Oak Park and River Forest Board of Education at its organizational meeting on Thursday, April 30, 2009

Board Members Board members Amy Leafe McCormack, Dietra D. Millard, Terry Finnegan, and Jacques A. Conway were officially seated for four-year terms.

Board Actions • Elected the following Board members to one-year terms of office:

Dr. Dietra D. Millard-President
Ralph H. Lee—Vice President
John C. Allen—Secretary

- approved the following Board meeting dates for the 2009-10 school year, Thursdays, August 27, 2009, September 24, 2009, October 22, 2009, November 19, 2009, December 17, 2009, January 28, 2010, February 25, 2010, March 25, 2010, April 22, 2010, May 27, 2010, and June 24, 2010.

**The next Board of Education Meeting
will be Thursday, May 28, 2009
at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room**