

BOARD BRIEF

ACTION

- Approval of Minutes
- Approval of Financials
- Amended 2013-14 School Calendar
- Personnel Report
- Ratification – Teacher Contract
- Agreement with PMA Financial Network
- March Board Meeting Date

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

Ms. Kendra Sullivan and Ms. Laura Paup shared their concern with the Board regarding the grading scale being used in the Math & Science Division. Mr. Dave Hemepe reported that a Special Olympics Basketball Tournament would be held at the school on Saturday, January 26th.

Mary Ellen Daneels distributed the December Wildcat P.R.I.D.E. Report which highlighted contributions the faculty & staff have made to CHS and the larger educational community.

REPORTS & INFORMATION:

Good News of the District:

The Board of Education recognized Coach Kim Wallner for her 400th win as a Basketball Coach.

Student Recognition:

The Board recognized December Student of the Month Priya Kurian

IASB-IASA-IASBO Joint Annual Conference Reports:

Board members reported on sessions they attended at the Annual Conference held in Chicago in November, 2013.

Superintendent's Report:

- **Student Report:**
Kelsey Windisch shared her concern with the grading scale used in the Math & Science Division. She also told Board member that having finals before Winter Break would be

beneficial for students. Ms. Windisch also stated that students were very excited about Prom being held at Brookfield Zoo this year.

- **FOIA Request:**

Dr. Domeracki reported there had been one FOIA request.

Dr. Domeracki reported on the following items:

- He participated in a book study along with a large number of staff members.
- Mikva Challenge will conduct a Lieutenant Governor Debate which the high school will host on February 25th. The school is inviting all local candidates who are running in the March primary to a "Meet and Greet" with the community prior to the Debate.
- Dr. Domeracki said he would like to revisit the topic of electronic board packets.
- He stated that a teacher workshop addressing the 5Essentials Survey had been conducted with faculty during the Institute Day on January 17th.
- Dr. Domeracki said that Administration is considering the impact of PARCC testing on next school year's school calendar.

Director of Business Services Report:

Gordon Cole reported that DuPage National Bank had been closed and that Republic Bank had assumed their accounts.

Director of Human Resources Report:

David Blatchley reported that staff was continuing to prepare for the Regional Office of Education Compliance Visit in February. He stated that he would be attending an IASPA Conference January 23 & 24.

Principal's Report:

Dr. Cheng stated that the monthly student attendance and discipline were tracking nicely. He also reported on upcoming developments with Rising Star. Dr. Cheng told the Board that he would be attending a meeting with other school districts regarding shared concerns over the impact of the PARCC Assessments next year.

Historical Information Re: Swimming Pool:

Rich Nagel shared historical information regarding the pool.

Future Dates:

- Joint Boards Meeting – Benjamin Middle School – January 27, 2014
- Regular Monthly Board of Education Meeting – February 18, 2014

Open Comment:

Mr. Gunderson stated he would like to see an analysis of the grading scale being used in the Math & Science Division.

CONSENT AGENDA:

The Board approved the following items on the Consent Agenda:

- Approval of Minutes from the Board of Education Meeting on December 17, 2013
- Filing of Minutes of the following committee meetings:
 - Facilities on December 9, 2013
 - Finance on December 9, 2013
 - Education on December 19, 2013
- Approval of Financials from December 12, 2013 to January 15, 2014
- Amended 2013-14 School Calendar

ACTION ITEMS:**Personnel Report:**

The Board approved the employment of the following people:

- Nicole Handley as a full-time Clerk in the Learning Resource Center.
- Ted Monken as a full-time Teacher in the Physical Development Division.

The Board approved a Leave of Absence for Magdalene Labuhn, effective March 26 through April 25, 2014.

The Board of Education approved the following coaching positions:

- Nick Kempinski as Girls' Golf Head Varsity Coach
- Ted Monken as Boys' Football Head Coach

Ratification – Teacher Contract

The Board approved a two year contract extension based on tentative agreements reached with the West Chicago High School Teacher's Association.

Professional Services Agreement with PMA Financial Network:

The Board of Education approved the PMA Financial Planning Program Consulting Agreement.

March 2014 Board Meeting Date:

The Board of Education approved changing the date of the March, 2014 Board meeting from March 18 to March 25, 2014.

CLOSED SESSION:

The Board moved to Executive Session at 8:10 p.m. for the purpose of discussing the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employees.

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION:

The Board returned to Open Session at 8:29 p.m.

Adjournment:

The Board meeting was adjourned at 8:29 p.m.