

BOARD BRIEF

ACTION

- Consent Agenda
- Personnel Report
- Board Policy Series 6000
- Board Policy Series 9000
- IHSA Membership Renewal

Student Recognition:

Gabriela Hernandez was recognized as the February Student of the Month and Valentin Barrera was recognized as the February PeaceBuilder of the Month.

Reports & Information

Creative Writing Club:

Amanda Cordes and Tara Deleon, along with several students, gave an overview of the work of the Creative Writing Club. Club members have been involved in numerous poetry and talent contests. “Show Me What You Got”, is a major performance showcasing the students’ best work for the year. It is scheduled for May 24th.

Business Manager’s Report:

Mr. Cole reported the project to install a new phone system over the summer is progressing as expected. The finance committee discussed establishing policies regarding fund balances and capital reserves. Mr. Cole also introduced the issue of staff members needing a bus permit to transport students during the school day for activities related to the curriculum. Transporting students for trips or athletics does not require a bus permit.

Principal’s Report:

Dr. Cheng distributed documents which provided an overview to RTI which is a multitier approach to provide intervention services to students. He also acknowledged the

drama students who won the sectional competition in *Drama* and *Group Interpretation*. We congratulate the students and directors as they compete in the state competition this weekend.

Assistant Superintendent’s Report:

Dr. Chambers presented information during the personnel report.

Student Attendance & Discipline Report:

Mr. Ponce referenced the documents in the packet. Suspensions are down compared to last year. Attendance is trending lower than February last year. One reason for this is that attendance is now measured by time in school rather than periods in school. Both measures will be reported for the rest of the year so that comparisons can be made.

Future Dates:

- Regular Semi-Monthly Board of Education Meeting – April 2, 2013 – 7:00 p.m.
- Finance Committee Meeting – April 10, 2013 – 7:30 a.m.
- Regular Semi-Monthly Board of Education Meeting – April 16, 2013 – 7:00 p.m.

Open Comment (Board Members):

Mr. Molinaro asked where the Sectional Championship Plaques would be displayed. Mr. Begovich would like to display them in the Auditorium area. Mr. Campos commented the Music Boosters Pancake Breakfast was very well attended. The two dramatic performances last weekend, *Pedro and Me* and *Frankenstein*, were excellent. Mr. Gunderson commented on the success of the Steppers and the parent graduation held to recognize completion of the In the Driver’s Seat Academy.

Consent Agenda:

The Board approved the following Consent Agenda items:

- Financial expenditures from February 15 to March 14, 2013
- Minutes of the Board of Education meeting March 5, 2013

New Business:

Personnel Report:

- The Board approved the following Leaves of Absence:
Barbara Brennan, Counselor/Support Services, from August 16 to November 1, 2013; Brenda Frechmann, Accounts Payable Specialist/Business Services, from March 19 to 28, 2013; Maria Escobedo, Clerk/World Languages, from March 1 to 15, 2013.
Aaron Hayes, Teacher/Math & Science, intermittent.
- The Board approved the following coaching assignments:
Christine Dabbert, Assistant Girls' Softball Coach, effective 3/11/13
Meghan Klein, Head Cheerleading Coach, effective 8/14/13
- The Board approved the renewal of contracts and the granting of tenured status for the 2013-14 school year to the following certified staff members:
Kevin Baldus, Christina Munguia and Paul Reinke
- The Board approved the renewal of contracts for the following non-tenured certified staff for the 2013-14 school year:
Brittney Bauer, Mark Begovich, William Bicker, Brittany Blanchard, Steven Brown, Jorge Bustamante, Christopher Camerano, Nicole Cleveland, Annika Close, Anne Dragosh, Roberta Felfle, Anna Fulmer, Anne Gomez, Jennifer Grenchik, Jennifer Gyles-Bedford, Laura Heavey, Susan Hollinger, Kurt Johnson, Meghan Klein, Paul Lichy, Tyler Michie, Nicole Osborne, Susana Pichardo, Joshua Piha, Ericka Richardson, Kathryn Schoen, Rona Sinnamond, Lauren Stewart, Karen Szot, Guadalupe Vences, Michelle Walters, Nora Wessels, Alexandra Wojciechowski and Julie Wyller
- The Board approved the release of the following non-tenured teachers at the conclusion of the 2012-13 school year:
Patrick Clifford, Brigitte Debs and Lori Moriarty
- The Board approved the following requests for part-time assignments for the 2013-14 school year:
Elizabeth Govertsen, Kristen Isacson and Barbi Mathews
- The Board approved the following additional course for the 2013-14 school year:
0.2 FTE in Support Services (GO Program) – yearlong overload
- The Board approved the following position additions for the 2013-14 school year:
2.0 FTE Personal Care Assistant/Job Coach in Special Education
1.6 FTE Literacy Coach positions (one 0.8 FTE for Math Literacy support and one 0.8 FTE for Reading Literacy support)
1.0 FTE Assistant Principal for Teaching and Learning
- The Board approved substitute pay rates for the 2013-14 school year at the same level as the 2012-13 school year
- The Board approved miscellaneous salaries for the 2013-14 school year

Board Policy Series ¶6000:

The Board approved Board Policy series 6000, General Personnel, on 2nd reading.

Board Policy Series ¶9000:

The Board approved Board Policy 9000, Relations with Parents and other Citizens/Communities at second reading.

Renewal of IHSA Membership:

Renewal of Illinois High School Association Membership: The Board approved the renewal of the Illinois High School Association Membership.

Old Business:

There was no Old Business

Public Participation:

Several members of the audience commented on support staff negotiations, translation services for parents and amending Board minutes.

Executive Session:

The Board moved to Executive Session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, and dismissal of specific employees and collective negotiating matters.

Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 10:24 p.m.