

BOARD REPORT

April 25, 2022

REGULAR MEETING

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Board approved the payment of bills totaling \$62.01.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The Board approved the following resignations: Jenna Galvin, language arts teacher at Solon High School, effective June 3, 2022, and Kelly Fishman, English teacher at Solon High School, effective June 10, 2022.

The Board non-renewed 27 monitors and aides that were hired for the 2021-22 school year. The Board non-renewed three limited teacher contracts which were issued for the 2021-22 school year and directed the Treasurer to serve written notice of the Board action to each individual.

The Board authorized the Business Manager to advertise and secure bids for the following projects: Arthur Road Asbestos Abatement and Demolition.

The Board approved two individuals as substitutes on an as needed basis for the 2021-22 school year.

Mary Teske was Board approved as a home instruction tutor for the 2021-22 school year.

The Board non-renewed permanent building substitute contracts which were issued for the 2021-22 school year to the following, and to direct the Treasurer to serve written notice of the Board action to each individual as noted below:

Roger Bowers	Ivy Maxwell
Mary Ann Dudas	Deepa Nair
Nataly Hikins	Andrea Rossen
Sarah Krieger	Alka Roy
Diane Manis	Victoria Seide
Logan Markovic	

The Board non-renew long-term substitute contracts which were issued for the 2021-22 school year to the following, and to direct the Treasurer to serve written notice of the Board action to each individual as noted below:

Jack Chastain
Andrea Martin-Clay
Nicole Gregory

Krista Moegling
Marianne Uveges
Zahida Zeeshan

Tuition reimbursements were approved for 13 individuals in the amount of \$4,351.76.

The next board meeting will be May 9, 2022, 6 p.m. at the Board of Education.

INFORMATION ITEMS

THREE SOLON HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETES SIGN NATIONAL LETTERS OF INTENT ON SPRING SIGNING DAY

Three exceptional Solon High School varsity student athletes signed NCAA letters of intent on April 20, spring signing day.

Seniors Jaylon Sanders, Zion Lewis and Nick Molchak are all receiving scholarships to continue their studies and athletic participation in college.

The signings include:

Jaylon Sanders – Baseball – Potomac State College
Zion Lewis – Baseball – Kentucky State University
Nick Molchak – Wrestling – Cleveland State University

Congratulations to the student athletes, their families, and coaches.

SOLON NAMED A 2022 BEST COMMUNITY FOR MUSIC EDUCATION

Reflecting the district's continuous commitment to high-quality music education, the Solon City Schools have been honored with the prestigious Best Communities for Music Education designation for 2022. Conferred by the National Association of Music Merchants Foundation, the Best Communities for Music Education designation is awarded to school districts that demonstrate outstanding achievement in efforts to provide music access and education to all students.

"We are incredibly proud to receive this honor," said Solon Schools Superintendent Fred Bolden. "This recognition underscores the wide array of music programming and performance opportunities in our schools and our community. Excellent music education is critical in the development of well-rounded students and our district's commitment to the arts is an important element of our overall Solon educational program. Thank you to our music teachers and directors, families, the Solon Music Parents and everyone in our community who helps to foster music appreciation among our students."

To qualify for the Best Communities in Music designation, the Solon Schools provided detailed information about commitment to standards, funding, graduation requirements, music class participation, music instructional time, facilities, support for the music program and community music-making programs. The NAMM Foundation's reviewers assessed the quality of the district's music faculty and budgetary commitment to music education among

other factors and the data submitted was analyzed statistically and verified via a follow-up audit by the Music Research Institute at the University of Kansas.

Research demonstrates educational, cognitive and social skill benefits for students engaged in music learning and performance, according to NAMM.

SPRING PRESCRIPTION DRUG DROP-OFF DAY IS APRIL 30

Prescription drug abuse is often a gateway to less expensive – but more dangerous – drugs. This is why it is so important for parents to get unused medications out of the house if they are no longer in use.

An easy way to accomplish this, as well as to protect against accidental overdoses and children and teens accessing potentially dangerous and addicting drugs, is to participate in Solon's spring National Prescription Drug Take Back Day on Saturday, April 30, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Residents may simply drive up to the Solon Community Center near the entrance to the Senior Center and representatives from the Solon Police Department will be waiting to collect unneeded or expired medications. Tablets, capsules, patches and other solid forms of prescription drugs will be collected. Please do not bring liquids (including intravenous solutions), syringes, sharps and illegal drugs.

This confidential program makes it easy to dispose of medications. No personal information is collected, and you may scratch out the name and other identifying information on the bottle with a marker or remove all prescription labels before dropping off the medication.

Thank you for taking this easy step to help keep children and teens safely away from unused prescription drugs. Properly disposing of unused prescription drugs also protects the water supply.

TWO SOLON SENIORS SELECTED AS PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLAR SEMI-FINALISTS

Solon seniors Simone Johnson and Ryan Li have advanced as semi-finalists in the 2022 Presidential Scholar Program, which recognizes the nation's most distinguished graduating seniors. Simone and Ryan are among only 620 students nationwide and 23 in Ohio to advance to the final round and still be in the running to become a Presidential Scholar for this year.

The 2022 U.S. Presidential Scholars will be announced in May.