

Eden Central School

TO: ALL STAFF
FROM: RONALD K. BUGGS, SUPERINTENDENT
DATE: JANUARY 22, 2010
RE: *"Highlights" of the January 20, 2010 Board of Education Meeting*



1. From Administration & Staff and Delegates

- ◆ **Employee of the Month Awards** were presented to Shawn Johnson, Sue Waszak and Kathy McCarthy for their participation in the H1N1 Immunization Clinic held at the Jr./Sr. High School.
- ◆ **H1N1 Immunization Clinic** – Mrs. Johnson reported that H1N1 immunizations were given on January 6th. Consent forms were mailed to about 1,800 homes. An estimate for the number of vaccines was due five days after the consent forms were mailed. GLP and Eden Elementary students were transported to the Jr./Sr. High School for the immunizations. Transportation consent forms were sent to about 400 families for that. Approximately 900 children and adults were vaccinated here.
- ◆ **PTA** – Mrs. Barbara Henry, PTA Secretary, gave a presentation about the PTA. Eden's PTA President is Christy Schreckengost; Vice President is Jennifer Davies; Treasurer is Kathy Brenner; and Membership Chairperson is Christine Cerne. Other committee members include Shared Decision Making team members, parents, teachers, building coordinators, and scholarship committee members. PTA sponsors many of the activities and events that benefit the children and enhance the learning environment. At the Tuesday, February 2, 2010 meeting, the PTA will host a special guest from the Western Region PTA to discuss procedures. Mr. Buggs thanked the PTA for the remarkable work they do.

2. **Comments:** There were no comments.

3. **Appointed the following:**

- ◆ Tamera Congilosi – Long-Term Substitute Elementary Teacher through June 30, 2010.
- ◆ Kristopher Karstedt – Substitute PK-12 Teacher, Teacher Aide, Clerk Typist and Monitor
- ◆ Timothy Olsen – Substitute PK-12 Teacher
- ◆ Daniel Hujer – Substitute PK-12 Teacher, Teacher Aide and Monitor
- ◆ Patrick Tarnowski – Substitute PK-12 Teacher, Teacher Aide and Monitor
- ◆ Carolyn Yager – Substitute Cleaner
- ◆ Martin Niefergold – Substitute PK-12 Teacher, Teacher Aide and Monitor
- ◆ Mary Crowley – Substitute PK-6 Teacher
- ◆ Lindsay LaManna – Substitute PK-6 Teacher
- ◆ Michelle Kaczmarek – Substitute PK-6 Teacher
- ◆ Paula Blandino – Substitute PK-12 Teacher, Teacher Aide, Monitor
- ◆ Shannon Hennigan – Substitute PK-12 Teacher
- ◆ Matt Zabron – JV Baseball Coach
- ◆ Phil Archabald – Boys JV Lacrosse Coach, Peer Listener Advisor, SADD Advisor
- ◆ Will Ramsey – Modified Baseball Coach
- ◆ Brittany Duchmann – Girls Modified Lacrosse Coach
- ◆ Ray Neil – Concert Piano Accompanist
- ◆ Kim Mangino – Mentor
- ◆ Lynn Morgan – Sophomore Class Co-Advisor
- ◆ Theresa Thomasulo – High School Musical Make up Person 2
- ◆ Sandy Blaszczyk – Elementary Musical Costume Advisor
- ◆ Pete Greco – Volunteer Boys Lacrosse Coach
- ◆ Scott Gill – Volunteer Boys Modified Basketball Coach
- ◆ Gary Stromberg – Volunteer Boys Varsity Basketball coach
- ◆ Jessica Staub – Volunteer Girls Cheerleading Coach

4. Approved Leave of Absence:

- ◆ Jill Rapp, December 17, 2009 – approximately March 19, 2010
- ◆ Colleen Griffin, January 7, 2010 – approximately February 22, 2010
- ◆ Deborah Kolasa, January 19, 2010 – approximately February 26, 2010

5. Approved Policies:

- ◆ #5510 Accounting of Funds
- ◆ #5630 Facilities: Inspection, Operation and Maintenance
- ◆ #7121 Diagnostic Screening of Students
- ◆ #7130 Entitlement to Attend – Age and Residency
- ◆ #7513 Administration of Medication
- ◆ #7621 Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973
- ◆ #6551 Family and Medical Leave Act
- ◆ #7552 Bullying: Peer Abuse in the Schools
- ◆ #6170 Safety of Students (Fingerprint Clearance of New Hires)
- ◆ #7514 Student Health Records
- ◆ #6190 Professional Services Providers
- ◆ #6200 Employment of Retired Persons

6. Approve excessing of 36 record players.

7. Awarded bid for sale of surplus buses:

- ◆ Mathies & Sons, Inc. Bus #160 \$2,260.00
- ◆ Ricky Mosher Bus #178, #M4 \$ 775.44

8. Awarded bid #1037 for classroom furniture:

- ◆ Hertz Furniture Systems Corp. \$2,266.00
- ◆ OM Workspace – Office Max \$ 85.27
- ◆ Quill Corporation \$2,289.00
- ◆ School Specialty \$3,643.75
- ◆ Worthington Direct \$1,598.75

9. Award bid #1038 for SmartBoards to Tequipment, Inc. for \$8,388.00.

10. Approved excessing of a 1959 Raetone Refrigerator SS 5x2 1/2x7 from Eden Elementary.

11. Accepted donation of oak plank boards from Kruszka Construction.

12. Approved Model UN field trip to Boston, MA February 18 – 21, 2010.

13. Approved AFS field trip to Tustin, CA February 11 – 15, 2010.

14. Increased the 2009-2010 Budget by \$499.30 to \$25,685,502.50 to account for increased revenues. The District received \$18.80 from Vending for Eden Elementary and \$480.50 from Boxtops for Eden Elementary.

15. Denied motion to prepare three separate budget scenarios relative to the 2010-2011 budget and provide descriptions of what changes in programs will result: 3% budget increase, 0% budget increase and a 3% budget decrease.

16. Business Report:

- ◆ State Aid payments that the Governor withheld in December were received on January 15th. The District received the 19% of STAR reimbursement that was withheld at the beginning of January. The balance of State Aid and STAR payments received was \$361,000, and we have been made whole by the State.

- ◆ The US Department of Labor released the 12-month Consumer Price Index average at -.4. This is the first time since the contingent budget cap was put in place that the District is facing a negative 12-month CPI average. Direction will be forthcoming from SED as to how this will impact the contingent budget cap.
- ◆ The Governor's proposed budget came out yesterday. Based upon his projections for 2010-11, the District will receive about \$663,000 **less** in state aid than in the current year. This is a 6.13% reduction in state aid. (These revenue projections include federal fiscal stabilization funds (or ARRA funding).

17. Superintendent's Report:

- ◆ First Reading of Policies:
 - #1330 Appointments and Designations by the Board of Education
 - #3170 Anti-Harassment in the School District
 - #6212 Certification and Qualifications
 - #7680 Independent Education Evaluations
 - #5110 Budget Planning and Development
 - #5120 School District Budget Hearing
 - #5631 Hazardous Waste and Handling of Toxic Substances by Employees
 - #6510 Health Insurance
 - #7620 Students with Disabilities Participating in School District Programs
 - #7640 Student Individualized Education Program Development & Provision
 - #7660 Parent Involvement for Children with Disabilities
- ◆ The District is looking into the possibility of producing the Newsletter on-line and reducing the amount of copies that are mailed. Notices will be published in the February and April Newsletters, and flyers will be put in the Pennysaver, along with a tear-off page, allowing people to request a preferred method of receiving the Newsletter. We expect to save a significant portion of the \$7,200 spent annually in producing the Newsletter. It was also suggested that a notification be published in the Pennysaver.
- ◆ Mr. Buggs & Mrs. Johnson annually go out to visit students in Special Ed placements. He invited board members to accompany them.
- ◆ Reminder that the Legislative Breakfast is February 6th. Any board members or administrators interested in attending should complete a conference request form.

18. Board President's Report:

- ◆ Setting Board goals was discussed. Mr. Cerne would like to schedule these meetings for Saturday mornings.
- ◆ Mr. Cerne appreciated last month's tabling of discussion around videoconferencing until he could be present. He feels he won't need District resources. Discussion ensued regarding videoconferencing, and it was determined that there would be no need to move forward.

19. Future Dates:

- ◆ The next Board of Education Meeting is Wednesday, February 10 at 7:00 p.m. in the Jr.Sr. High Cafeteria.

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- **NOTE:** *Any item for a Board of Education Meeting Agenda must be submitted a **minimum** of ten days prior to the board meeting. This will allow the necessary time for the publishing and distribution of the agenda to the Board of Education members, Administrative Staff, and the news media.*

