

Eden Central School



TO: ALL STAFF
FROM: RONALD K. BUGGS, SUPERINTENDENT
DATE: JANUARY 22, 2009
RE: *"Highlights"* of the January 21, 2009 Board of Education Meeting

1. From Administration & Staff and Delegates

- ◆ **Community Involvement Awards were presented to:** 1) School District Committees – Debbie Popple; 2) Sports/Athletics – Ed Sarcione; 3) Music – Samantha Grapes; 4) Volunteer – Laura Bley; 5) Business/Agency/Organization – Ellyn Charette Daycare; 6) Student as a Community Contributor – Nicole Schichtel.

2. Approved Retirement Incentive

3. Accepted Resignations from:

- ◆ Theresa Filipiak
- ◆ Julie Rose

4. Appointed the following:

- ◆ Tara Waddell, School Psychology Intern – unpaid position
- ◆ Dustin Zampogna – Substitute PK-12 Teacher, Teacher Aide and Monitor

5. Approved Risk Assessment Report

6. Approved Risk Assessment Testing in Personnel

7. Approved 2009-2010 School Calendar

8. Accepted Donation of Motorcycle Transmission

9. Designated Surplus Vehicles

10. Authorized Sale of Buses 127, M14, 155, 156 and 157

11. Increased the 2008-2009 Budget by \$1,866 to \$24,893,889.21 to account for increased revenues. The District received \$1,866 from Varsity Club for bench.

12. Comments:

- ◆ Teacher, Mary Ann Mandiak spoke on behalf of the teachers in the District. She thanked the Board of Education for their service to the community. The teachers are concerned about the budget and the budgeting process, given the size of the cuts that have been handed down from the state for the next school year. They feel their help is critical in the budgeting process because their perspective on any cuts that will affect the students and programs is invaluable. They have brought their concerns to their building principals. Their hope is that any cuts made will create the least amount of negative impact on the quality of education provided.
- ◆ Barbara Henry thanked the Board and expressed her appreciation to Mrs. Carter and all the teachers at GLP. She also is concerned with the budget. She is concerned about the possibility of cutting teachers.
- ◆ Patricia Krouse expressed concern about the fight at the basketball game on January 20th. She asked the community to show respect when at games. She also asked that the district not cut any special education teachers, staff development and grading days.

13. Business Report:

- ◆ Due to the peanut butter recall, all products containing peanut butter were removed from our menus until further notice. While we do not use any of the products that have been recalled, we would rather err on the side of caution.
- ◆ Jill Rapp applied for and was awarded a 2009 Target Field Trip Grant in the amount of \$800. Jill is a kindergarten teacher at GLP.
- ◆ Interest rates have fallen again. In October, we were earning 2% on money market accounts and 1% on our checking account. Currently, we are earning .75% on money market accounts and .5% on our checking account.

14. Superintendent's Report:

- ◆ Mr. Buggs encouraged everyone to contact their representative regarding the possible aid cuts and the impact they would have on all of us.
- ◆ Congratulations to Chief Patrick Howard on his retirement from the Police Department.
- ◆ Congratulations to all the Community Involvement Awards recipients.
- ◆ Mr. Buggs reminded the Board Members to review the Friday Memo.
- ◆ Budget Work Sessions are scheduled for Tuesdays in March at 6:30 p.m.

15. Future Dates:

- ◆ The next Board of Education Meeting is Wednesday, February 11th in the Jr.Sr. High Cafeteria.

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