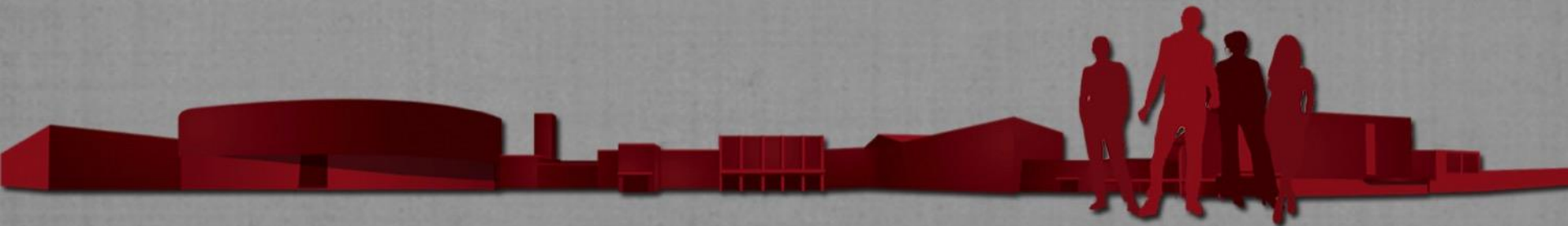


BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

October 11, 2017

Serving All or Portions of the Following Communities:

Blue Island * Burnham * Calumet City * Dixmoor * Dolton * East Hazel Crest * Harvey * Hazel Crest *
Lansing * Markham * Phoenix * Posen * Riverdale * South Holland * Thornton



Open Session

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance



Committee of the Whole

- *Report from Curriculum Committee*
- *Report from Finance Committee*
- *Report from Policy Committee*
- *Report from Discipline Committee*
- *Report from Facilities Committee*

Consent Agenda

- *Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting and Executive Session of August 9, 2017*
- *Approval of District 205 Bills dated: September 14 through October 11, 2017*
- *Personnel: Approval of Resignations, Leave of Absence, New Hires and Terminations dated October 11, 2017*

Public Participation

We now open the Public Participation section of our agenda. At this time, members of the community are invited to address the Board. We ask that you state your name and town, limit your total time to two minutes, and talk only about items on the current Board Agenda.

In addition, if your comments are of a critical nature about specific people, the Board requests that you present your comments during the personnel portion of the “executive session.”

Your name will not be called if you do not sign in and list a topic or the topic is not on the current Board agenda or if public participation has begun.

Freedom Of Information Act

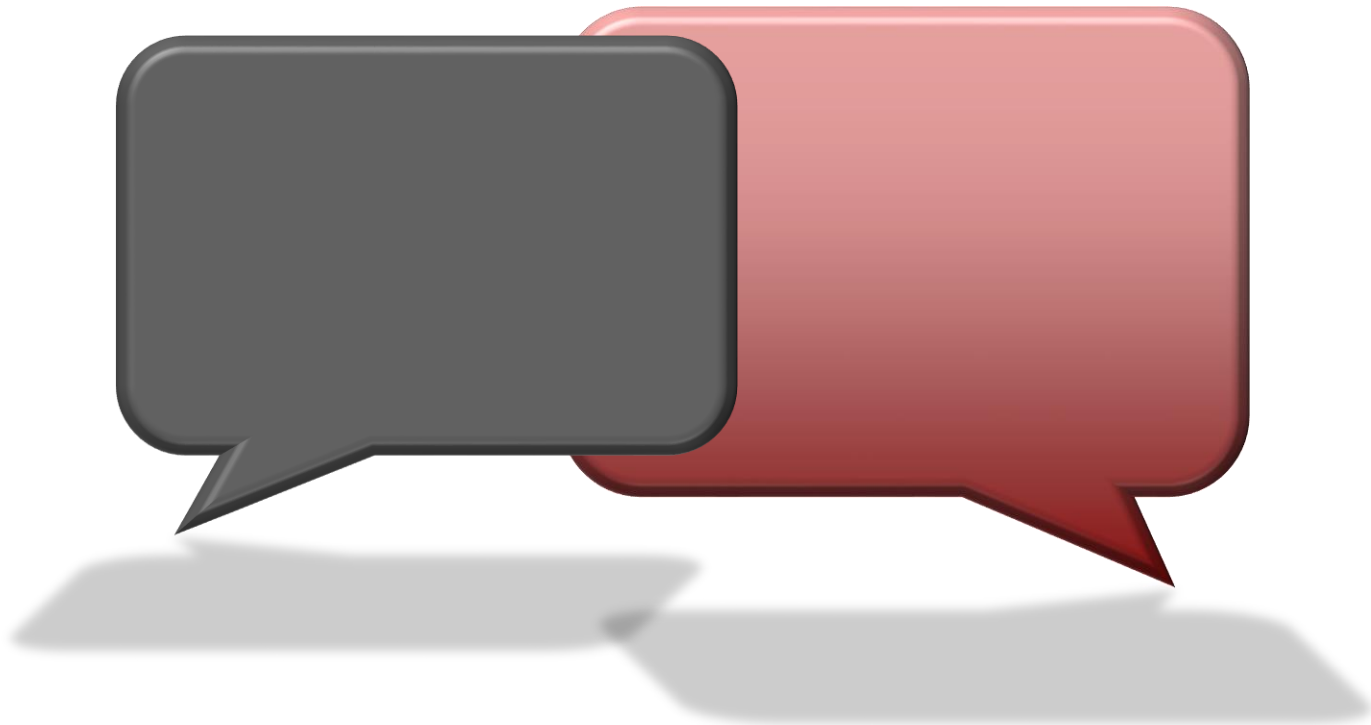
- *Dr. Doss*

FOIA



Communications

- *Mr. Arrington*



From the District Doorways

The following are the Superintendent's responses to questions, inquiries, and concerns that arose from last month's Public Participation at the board meeting.



Questions from September 13, 2017 Board Meeting

- 1. The instructional cost per student in District 205 is \$11,420. Please follow the link below to access more student spending information.*
<https://www.illinoisreportcard.com/District.aspx?source=environment&source2=perstudentspending&Districtid=07016205017>
- 2. Please contact Dr. Albert Holmes at 708.225.4200 regarding parental involvement and volunteering.*
- 3. The federal investigation is status quo. The district has received no new information.*
- 4. The entry cost for students to sports activities is controlled by the Southwest Suburban Conference rules. For more information visit <https://www.ihsa.org/default.aspx> or <http://swsc.8to18.com/>*





Dr. Jerry Doss, Assistant Superintendent, will be traveling to China next month for the Chinese Bridge Delegation Program. The program is designed to help educators start or strengthen their institution's Chinese programs and partnerships.





*TR had over 120 people come out and join together in support of our AVID program at the annual **AVID Color Run** on September 30th! Teachers, students, administrators, division leaders, community members, families, police officers, and Dolton's Mayor Riley Rogers all came out and lended their support on Saturday morning.*



*Most importantly, the AVID program was able to raise over **\$3,000** for our **senior scholarship program**. These funds will help increase college access for our students.*





The Thornridge High School Marching Band performed at this year's Circle City Classic in Indianapolis, Indiana. Way to go, Marching Falcons!



Congrats to TT's, Robert Powell paraprofessional, who was selected as IEA's Education Support Professional of the Year.

Congratulations Mr. Powell!!!





*Congratulations to both
of the **TTHS Unified**
Soccer Teams that took
3rd place in their
divisions this past
weekend.*





Financial Aid Night

Over 140 Seniors brought their parents and in some cases entire family to Financial Night.

Principal Ratliff, Director of Financial Aid at SSC, Mr. Sempel, Dr. Jonathan McKenzie and TTHS Counseling Team gave the group vital information about their senior year and financial aid for college.



*TW's **Mr. Andrew Chidester** has been selected to represent Thornwood in the Project MOSART HSPS (Misconception Oriented Standards-based Assessment Resource for Teachers in High School Physical Science) at Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics. The efforts of this program is to improve methods used to assess high school Physical Science topics as well as collect data on student understanding of various physical science topics.*



*On September 21st, over 40 students were inducted into **Thornwood's National Honor Society**. These students not only succeed academically, but they demonstrate positive characters. Furthermore, these fine students prioritize the Thornwood community and serve our surrounding communities.*



Outlook Academy

October Staff Member of the Month – Leo Conry



October Student of the Month – Brandi White, TR Future Lawyer



Unfinished Business

New Business

- *Communication Development Program Presentation –
Mr. Fickes*



District 205 Communication Development Program

“Put your future in good
hands – your own”



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District 205 Communication Development Program

Our vision is to work together to provide a program of instruction that gives support for communication, social and academic development within the school setting.

The CD Program helps students...

- Develop perspective taking
- Learn social thinking concepts
- Comprehend complex academic language
- Practice friendship skills
- Gain confidence to join sports and clubs
- Learn strategies to express themselves

District 205 Communication Development Program

We took a field trip to Camp Manitoqua in Frankfort to engage in team building activities...



...get to know ourselves and
our classmates...

District 205 Communication Development Program

...and conquer our fears!



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Thank you for supporting our students!

New Business

- *Recommended Approval of Out-of-State Field Trip to Washington, D.C.—
Mr. Ratliff (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval of Overnight Field Trip to Rockford, Illinois—
Mr. Fickes (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval of Overnight Field Trip to Trenton, Illinois—
Mr. Fickes (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval To Go Out to Bid for Pest Control Services—
Mr. Horton (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval To Go Out to Bid for Snow Removal Services—
Mr. Horton (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval To Go Out to Bid for Student Weight Room Modifications and Upgrades—
Mr. Horton (Approval Needed)*

Superintendent's Report

Executive Session

- *Closed session pursuant to Section 2(c) of the Open Meetings Act to consider:*
 - *“The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees;*
 - *Student discipline*
 - *Collective negotiating matters, and*
 - *Pending, probable or imminent litigation.*

Reconvene Open Session

Action Items Following **Executive Session**

- ❖ *Possible Action Authorizing Settlement of Faculty Association Unfair Labor Practice Claim*
- ❖ *Possible Action Concerning Employment Status of Director*

Adjournment

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, November 8, 2017

6:30pm

Thornridge High School