

# **BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING**

**March 9, 2016**

**SERVING ALL OR PORTIONS OF THE FOLLOWING COMMUNITIES:**

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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 January 13, 2016*
- ***Approval of District 205 Bills dated:** February 12, February 19, February 26 and March 3, 2016*
- ***Personnel:** Approval of Resignations, Leave of Absence and Employment dated March 9, 2016*

# **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**

- *Mr. Doss*

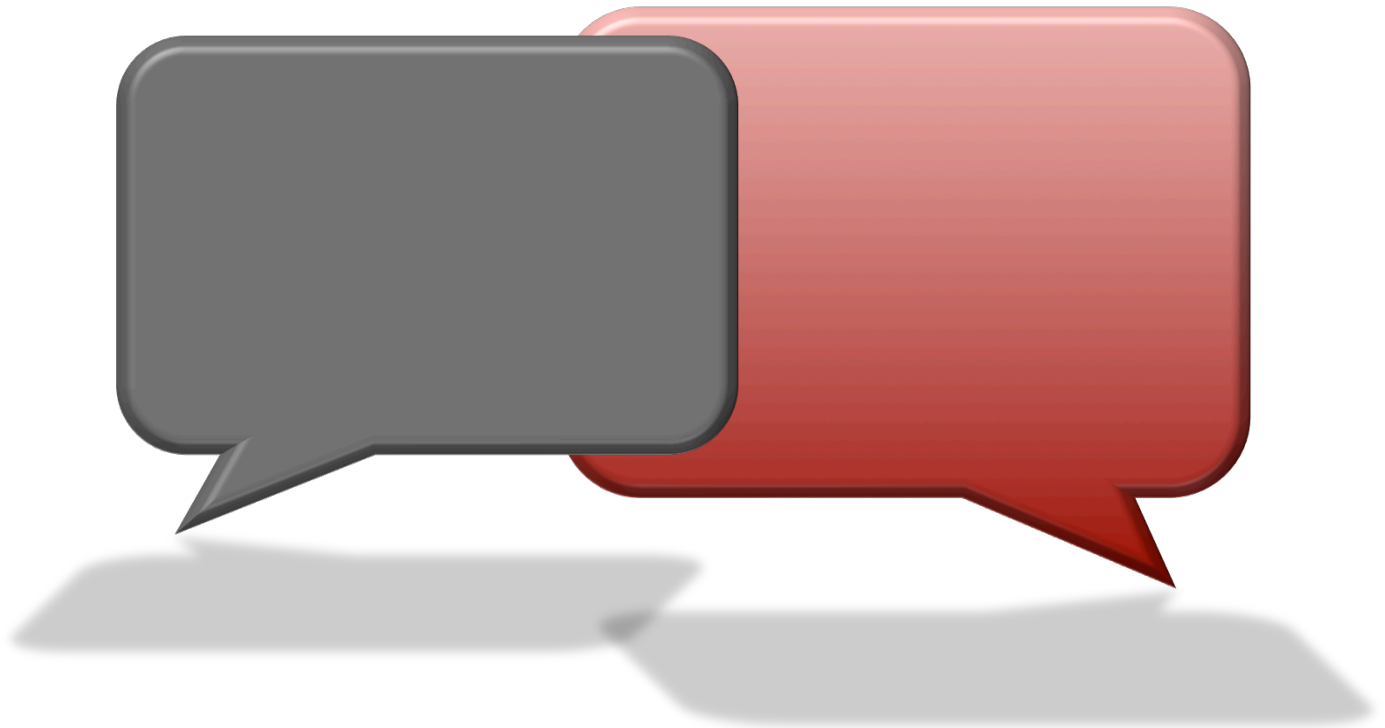
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# **Communications**

- *Mr. Arrington*



# Communications

*TR student Rodney Jackson competed at the IHSA State Speech Tournament held in Peoria this past month. Rodney gave strong performances in the preliminary rounds, advancing to the final round in Dramatic Interpretation where he gave another great performance; placing 7th in the state.*



# **Communications**

*Congratulations to the **TR Band Students** on receiving **20 Superior Division 1 Ratings** and **7 Excellent Division II Ratings** at the 2016 IHSA Solo and Ensemble at Reavis High School.*

*Also at Julian High School the **TR Drumline** placed **3rd** in the Divas And Gents Competition with an amazing performance by our TR **JAMMERS!** CONGRATULATIONS to ALL!!!*



# Communications

## *FALCON & WILDCAT ARTISTS*

*Students from Thornridge and Thornton High School had their artwork on display at the South Suburban College Art Festival last week.*





# Communications

*Congratulations to members of Rho Kappa National Honor Society who finished 1st place in the Know Your Heritage Bowl, sponsored by the Top Ladies of Distinction and Top Teens of America. Sponsor Terry Wells along with team members Stephon Burns, Shyunna Price, Jade Frazier and Christina Gutierrez. Way to go Wildcats!!*



# **Communications**

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*Congrats to the following students on their IHSA Solo/Ensemble Competition results:*

*Congrats to Adrian Gonzalez, Crystal Conner, Daphne Matthews, James Render IV, Jaylah Armstrong, Randy Price and Sarah Slaughter on their **Division I Superior Rating for their Solo's***

*Congrats to Angel Jones, D'Angelo Manning, Joshua Lewis, Pierre Feaster, Raven Morris, Jordan Greene and Tyler Stallworth on their **Division II Excellent Rating for their Solo's***

*Congrats to the Saxophone Ensemble which consist of Calia Brooks, James Render IV, Daphne Matthews and Sarah Slaughter on their **Division I Superior rating.***



# **Communications**

## **Gates Millennium Scholarship Finalists**

***Congratulations to Allen Davis and Arianna Thompson***

## **Olympics Basketball Team**

*The following students will travel to Illinois State University on this weekend to participate in the Olympic Basketball tournament:*

***Adrian Moore, Imani Ali, Justice Coleman, Jeremy Dale, Bryant Sims, Jasper Eason, Kiara Carlise, Lamonica Lee, Roshay Woods, Rosha Woods, Talia Williams and Alexis Bloodsaw***



# Communications

*This past weekend, TT students Madonna Coleman, Angelica Parker, Waynemonnd Cotton, and Ira McDowell competed at the IHSA State Speech Tournament held in Peoria. Madonna, Angelica, Waynemonnd, and Ira all gave strong performances in the preliminary rounds.*

*Madonna and Waynemonnd advanced to the final round in Dramatic Duet Acting, and placed 6th in the state. Angelica and Waynemonnd advanced to the final round in Humorous Duet Acting, and placed 7th in the state.*





# Communications

*Thornton's Varsity Basketball team won the Regional Championship this past weekend against Bloom H.S. The Wildcats advance to Sectionals where they will face Crete Monee on Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup> at Bloom H.S. starting at 7pm.*



# Communications

*The Thornwood Special Olympics Rhythmic Gymnastics team competed on Sunday, March 6th at Palatine High School and did an amazing job.*

*Students Victoria Traylor, Stephanie Rodgers, Jamiah Shepard, and Marcy Mayes participated in the Level One Ribbon Competition. They were coached by Rebecca Boyter, Kendra Walker, and Julie McGuire.*

*Jamiah Shepard and Stephanie Rodgers won gold medals for their divisions. Victoria Traylor and Marcy Mayes won silver medals in their divisions. The girls did an amazing job and we are very proud of them.*



# Communications

*Thornwood Special Olympics is proud to announce that our athlete, **Jamiah Shepard**, is heading to the **2017 Special Olympics Winter World Games in Austria**! Jamiah will represent the United States as a member of the snowshoe team. Congratulations to Jamiah and her coaches **Jen Kilian** and **Kathy Bunde!!!***





# Communications

*Thornwood's male mentoring program, **A Few Good M.E.N.** hosted a huge event titled "How To Treat A Lady's Day" and it was a great turn out. The students bought 1,000 carnations and gave it to every female student in the building. To see the looks on our peers faces meant a lot, says member Kristopher Sisney. Through out the whole day, all of the female students had a smile on their face. To each female student who had a carnation, it meant a lot to them because some of them have never received a flower before. One of the teachers stated that when the gentlemen gave a carnation to one of their peers, with a disability, she smiled and had her head up all day. The teacher said this was the first time she has seen her smile this year.*



# Communications

*TW student Quest Washington competed at the IHSA State Speech Tournament held in Peoria. Quest gave strong performances in the preliminary rounds, advancing to the final round in Original Oratory where he gave another great performance; placing 8th in the state.*



# **Unfinished Business**

# **New Business**

- *Ratification of Overnight Field Trip (Policy Section 6:240)-  
Mr. Walton (Approval Needed)*

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- *Ratification of Overnight Field Trip (Policy Section 6:240)-  
Mr. Ratliff (Approval Needed)*



# **New Business**

- *Recommended Approval of Overnight Field Trip (Policy Section 6:240) –  
Mr. Ratliff (Approval Needed)*

# **New Business**

- *Recommended Approval of Field Trip to Edwardsville, IL  
(Policy Section 6:240) –  
Mr. Ratliff (Approval Needed)*

# **New Business**

- *Recommended Approval of Out-of-State Field Trip (Policy Section 6:240)-  
Mr. Ratliff (Approval Needed)*

# **Superintendent's Report**

# **Executive Session**

- *The Board will enter closed session pursuant to Section 2(c) of the Open Meetings Act to discuss:*
  - *Student Discipline;*
  - *The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity;*
  - *Collective negotiating matters, and*
  - *Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent*

# **Reconvene Open Session**

# **Action Items Following** **Executive Session**

- ❖ *Possible Action concerning recommendation of administration regarding student disciplinary matters from Thornton and Thornwood High Schools.*
- ❖ *Possible Action regarding hiring of Administrator.*
- ❖ *Possible Action concerning approval of settlement agreement with former employee.*
- ❖ *Possible Action concerning approval of Administrator contract amendment.*

# **Adjournment**

## **NEXT MEETING**

*Wednesday, April 13, 2016*

*6:30pm*

*Thornton Township High School*