District 205 Board Meeting April 14, 2010



OPEN SESSION

Roll Call



Pledge of Allegiance

Please make certain that your cell phones are silent.

Thank you

EXECUTIVE SESSION

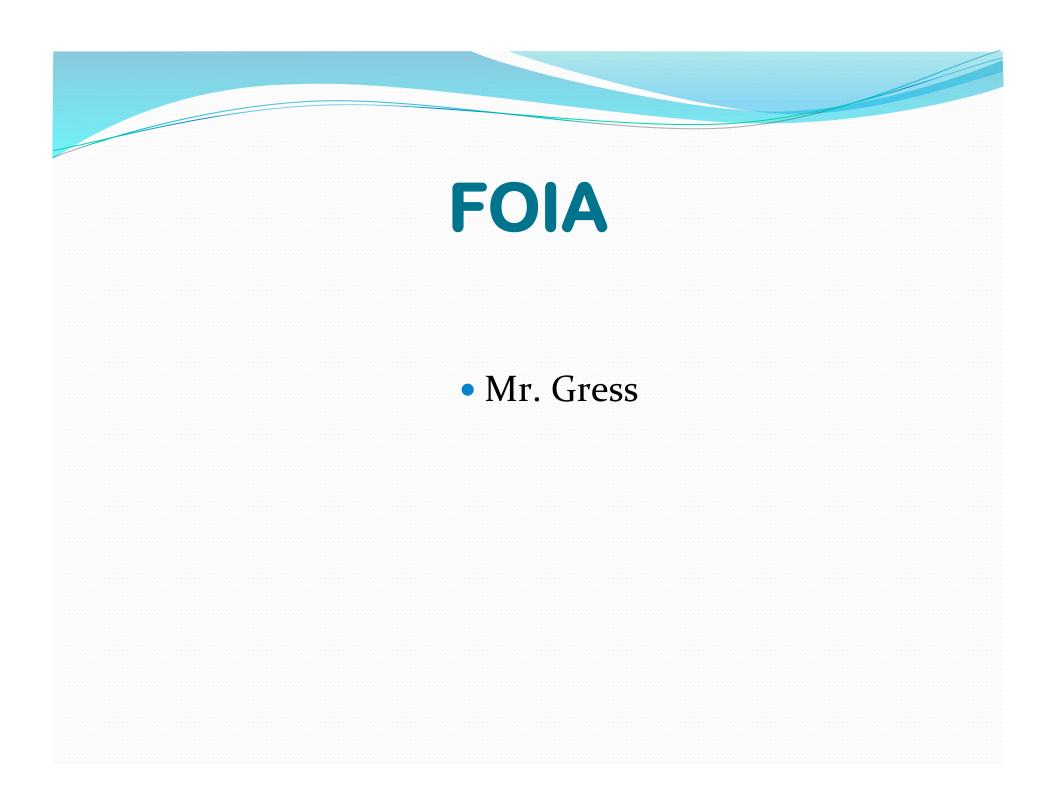
Adjourn to Executive Session

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE



Consent Agenda

- Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting and Executive Session of March10, 2010
 - Special Meeting Open Session of March 18, 2010
 - Special meeting Open Session of March 29, 2010
- Approval of District 205 Bills
- Personnel: Approval of Resignations, Releases, Leave of Absence and Employment



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

- Four freedom of information requests have been received during the month of March.
- The first FOI was received on March 3, and a response was sent on March 17
- The second was received on March 8, and a response was made on March 10
- The third request was received on March 10, and a response was made on March 11.
- The fourth request was received on March 18 and a response was sent on March 24.

Communications COMMUNITY AWARENESS



District 205 Board of Education District 205 Student Board of Education

Honors District 205 Students Tuesday, May 4, 2010 6:00 p.m. Thornridge High School Auditorium

TR Newspaper Honored at Regional Competition

- Bagpipe Newspaper wins "Best Layout & Design" at SWSC Conference
- Laquisha Patton earns 1st place in editorial writing and Gabrielle Dillon 2nd place in sports writing

Great Job!

Thornridge Drama Competes at State

 Gabrielle Dillon and Alan Selph earn 2nd place at State Speech Tournament in dramatic duet acting

 Contest play production of "Blues for an Alabama Sky" finished 5th place at Sectional

 Group Interpretation production of "The Laramie Project" finishes 6th place at Sectional

Thornridge Instructor Named Educator of the Year

English instructor and NHS sponsor

Dave Konkol

Named Community Education of the Year by the Illinois Directors of Student Activities Association

Thornridge Students Compete in the Family Career Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) State Competition

KJia Bozeman, Silver Medal in Life Event Planning
DarNesha Baily, Bronze Medal in Entrepreneurship
Shaurce McKinney, Bronze Medal in Teach and Train
Marquita Jackson, Gold Medal Early Childhood. Due to earning the highest points in this medal Marquita has been invited to National Competition in July.

Project Lead The Way

Destination Imagination State Competition

Seven Thornton students competed.
Thornton team designed a 65 gram structure that held over 460 lbs – 3200 times its weight.
Team placed second

Team compete s at the global finals in Tennessee.

Ingalls Memorial Scholarship

Two Thornton Township High School Students Win Ingalls Hospital Foundation Scholarship

Meena Vhora – UIC Education Major

Curtis Thread – Purdue University Pharmacy Major

Junior Achievement Scholarship

Senior Kelis King - semi-finalist in the 2010 \$20,000 Junior Achievement Scholarship.

• Kelis moves to second round which includes an interview.

Congratulations Kelis

Thornton Band Students Participate in Music Competition

- Tamara Byrd and Jeremiah Whittington participated in the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity's 15 annual Talent Search Competition.
- Students from south suburban communities and Chicago competed.
- Tamara Byrd received honorable mention and Jeremiah Whittington won second place.

Thornwood Group Interpretation Places at State

 Thornwood's Group Interpretation, <u>Cabin in the Sky</u> placed 4th in the final round of state competition.

 Johari Mackey, Randa Flowers, Darius Leaks, TJ Patrick, Josh Paris and Michael Daniel were named to the All – State Group Interpretation Cast.

Great Job!

Thornwood High School Scholarships

Ingalls Memorial Scholarship- Temitope Adeyeni

 Gates Millennium Scholarship Finalist- Temitope Adeyeni

• Comcast Achievers Scholarship- Chinyere Evulukwu

Superintendent Dr. J. Kamala Buckner Interviewed for CNN

Dr. Buckner interviewed for CNN

- Topic District's new partnership with Navistar.
- Navistar Diesel Truck Program partnership only one of three in the nation.
- Navistar/District 205 program \$1 million dollar partnership.

District 205 Academic Enrichment Foundation 2010 Star Gala- Star Award Winners March 27, 2010

Thornridge High School

Thornton High School

Thornwood High School

Ed Van Kley Star Award

Ron Kokesh

Veronica Peppers

Deborah Ubriaco

Rep. William Davis

Upcoming Events

April

- April 16th Progress I Reporting Period Ends
- April 20th Progress I Grades Due
- April 24th United Airlines Career Day
- April 28th Prairie State Exams
- April 29th Prairie State Exams SAT Registration Deadline for June 5 Test

Upcoming Events

May

- May 3rd National Teacher's Appreciation Week
- May 4th Finance Committee Meeting District Office at 9:30 a.m.
- May 5th Cinco De Mayo
- May 7th ACT Registration Deadline for June 12
 Progress 2 Reporting Period Ends
 - May 9th Mother's Day
- May IIth Progress 2 Grades Due
- May 12th Late Start Day

Board of Education Meeting – Thornwood High School 7:00 p.m.

District 205 Board of Education District 205 Student Board of Education

Honors and Celebrates

District 205 Students Tuesday, May 4, 2010 6:00 p.m. Thornridge High School Auditorium

REMINDER...MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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 three 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."

UNFINSHED BUSINESS

• Recommended Approval of Phone System Installation Bid (Policy Section 2.34)

> Mr. Gress (Approval needed) (3 minutes)

PHONE SYSTEM INSTALLATION

- District 205 has been working to implement a new phone system during the 2009-10 school years
- District 205 has received pricing from three vendors on installation and a five-year maintenance program of an Avaya phone system
- The initial pricing ranged from \$350,000 to \$450,000 and during discussions with the vendors the District was able to reduce the range from \$310,000 to \$415,000. The lowest price is from Altura Communications, the current District 205 phone support vendor
- The Finance Committee is recommending a contract with Altura Communications with the low bid of \$308,596.15



• Recommended Approval of Out-of-State Field Trip (Policy Section 4.28)

Dr. Lyke (Approval needed) (3 minutes)

Out-of -State Field Trip Destination Imagination Global Competition University of Tennessee



 Recommended Approval to Submit School Improvement Plan Grant (Policy Section 1.16 C.,L.)

> Mr. Truesdale (Approval needed) (5 minutes)

School Improvement Grant

- \$50,000 \$2 million per year for up to three years
 - Deadline Mid-May (Tentative)
- Must choose an external partner
- Must implement one of the three U.S. Department of Education's four intervention model
 - Restart
 - School Closure
 - Turnaround
 - Transformation

 Recommended Approval of Chemistry Textbook (Policy Section 2.46)

> Mr. Truesdale (30-day review) (3 Minutes)

Textbook Adoption for Chemistry

Criteria for Evaluating Text:

- Match content course goals and objectives
- Multiple real world applications for each topic
- Use of technology as part of the instruction
- Self teach and practice at home for students
- Addresses different learning styles
- Resources are useful and practical.

Recommendation Based on Following Factors

- 1. Positive feedback from schools using the text
- 2. Best overall fit with the criteria
- 3. Supports state standards for science
- 4. Appropriate reading level
- 5. Excellent and extensive supplemental materials
- 6. Good reports from trial lessons by staff
- 7. Does not contain cultural biases
- 8. Rated high on the rubric for text selection

 Recommended Approval of 2010-2011 IHSA Membership(Policy Section 1.01)

> Dr. Buckner (Approval needed) (3 minutes)

Annual Renewal for Illinois High School Association Dues

Membership in the Illinois High School Association takes care of extracurricular activities in District 205



Recommended Approval of Copy Paper Bid (Policy Section 2.34)

Mr. Gress (Approval needed) (3 minutes)

COPY PAPER BID

- On March 23 the bid for copy paper was opened
 - Two options were bid: 1) To have one delivery of paper at the beginning of the year; and 2) To have four delivery dates throughout the year. District 205 has had four deliveries the past two years and it has worked very well in terms of storage and inventory control
- The Finance Committee has reviewed and is recommending the paper bid be awarded to Midland Paper for four deliveries in the amount of \$83,731.20

 Recommended Approval of Navistar Renovation Bid (Policy Section 2.34)

> Mr. Gress (Approval needed) (5 minutes)

NAVISTAR RENOVATION BID

- Bids were opened on March 31 for work on the Navistar renovation project to be completed during the summer of 2010
 - The Finance Committee reviewed the bids received and is recommending Board approval of the low bidder, Jenkins Construction, with the base bid (\$581,739), plus alternate #2 (\$0), which is to move the substantial completion date from August 6 to July 15.
- Alternate #1 would remove the liquidated damages from the bid and Alternate #3 is to replace the floor on the second floor of the T building.
- Alternates #1 and #3 are not recommended for approval.



Miscellaneous

Superintendent's Report





Adjournment