

District 205 Board Meeting

May 12, 2010



OPEN SESSION



Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance



Please make certain that your cell phones are silent.

Thank you



EXECUTIVE SESSION



PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE



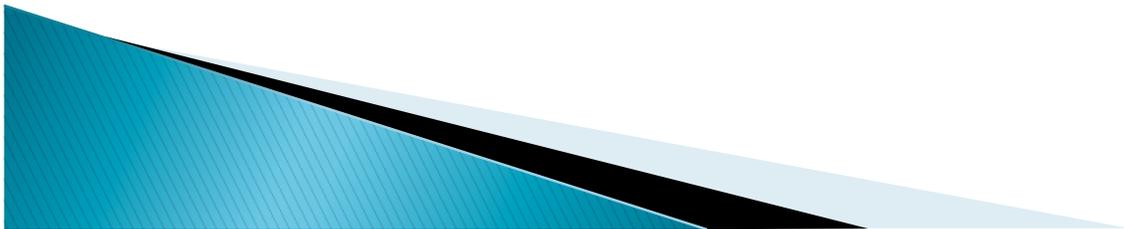
Consent Agenda

- ▶ Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting and Executive Session of April 14, 2010
 - Approval of District 205 Bills
 - Personnel: Approval of Resignations, Leave of Absence and Employment
 - Personnel: Approval of Motion to Adopt the Administrative Recommendation to Extend the due Date for Compliance to Notices of Remedy adopted on March 10, 2010



FOIA

- Mr. Gress





FREEDOM OF INFORMATION

- Three freedom of information requests have been received during the month of March.
- The first FOI request was received on April 19, and a response was sent on April 21.
- The second request was received on April 23, and a response was made on April 26.
- The third request was received on May 4, and a response was made on May 5.

Communications

COMMUNITY AWARENESS



Mr. Jerry B. Doss

Communications

Thornridge Half Cap Ceremony

- Ceremony was held on Friday, May 7, 2010
- Purpose: To acknowledge and recognize sophomores that are on track to graduate in two years.
- Keynote Speaker Secretary of State Jesse White
- Thank you Kim Waller, Pat Malopsy, Sherry Jackson and the Thornridge Half Cap Committee Members

Communications

Congratulations!

Thornton and Thornwood Digital Media Teams

- Teams competed in South Suburban College's Commercial Video Contest.
- Thornton students placed third for their entry
- Both Thornwood Teams placed second

Great Job!

Communications

Thornton Township High School Alumni Day

- Thornton Alumni Legacy Fund's Annual Alumni Day
 - May 14, 2010 – Thornton High School and Serbian Social Center.
 - Featured guests: Dan Ustian, Lorna Propes and other notable Thornton alumni.
 - Inauguration of the Thornton High School Hall of Fame.

Communications

Thornton Student Graduates from Medical School

Thornton Alum Shaina Rozell will be graduating from Northwestern University- Feinberg School of Medicine on May 20th. She will receive her M.D. and her specialty will be Internal Medicine. Shaina has also earned a Masters in Public Health.

Congratulations

Communications

Thornwood High School
Britney Terpstra

- Will be attending Olivet Nazarene University
- Majoring in Nursing
- Received \$64, 000 scholarship

Congratulations

Communications

District 205 Parent Academy

- Scheduled for Thursday, May 27th.
- Will be held in the Thornwood Library from 6:30-8:30.
- Ms. Brucki will be presenting “The Mysteries of the Teenage Brain” and “How to Create Safety and Sanity in the Home”.
- Mr. Skawinski and Ms. Payne will be presenting “Effective Literacy Strategies to support your student”. Mr. Skawinski will also address taking advantage of opportunities to improve reading skills over the summer.

Communications

Ingalls Memorial Scholarship

- Ingalls held annual Foundation Leadership Breakfast on May 7, 2010
- Program attended by Rev. Dr. Carl E. King, Sr., Mr. Ray Banks, Mr. Calvin Stark and other District Administrators
- Awarded five scholarships to Thornridge, Thornton and Thornwood graduating Seniors.

Communications



Christina Estrada

Meena Vhora

Curtis Thread

Temitope Adeyeni

Faith Mcullough

Thornridge

Thornton

Thornton

Thornwood

Thornwood

Communications

Navistar

- End of Year Ceremony held on Tuesday, May 11, 2010
- Purpose was to acknowledge parents and students for a successful first year – District 205 is the national flagship program.
- Attended by Navistar CEO Dan Ustian
- Dinner catered by the District 205 International Culinary Arts Program represented by students and teachers from all three high schools.

Communications

Navistar Event



Upcoming Events

May

- May 14th – Thornridge Prom
- May 15th – Armed Forces Day
- May 21st – Thornton and Thornwood Prom
- May 24th – Senior Exams
- May 25th – Senior Exams
- May 27th - Parent Academy Thornwood High School 6:30 p.m.
- May 28th – End of 4th Quarter and End of 2nd Semester
- May 28th – Graduation Rehearsal
- May 29th – Graduation for all schools
- May 31st – Memorial Day (No School)

Upcoming Events

June

- June 1st – 2nd Semester End Grades Due
- June 1st – Finance Committee Meeting – District Office at 9:30 a.m.
- June 2nd – Last Day of School
- June 7th – College and Career Summer Experience – College Exposure Camp
- June 7th – Summer School and BOOST Program Begins
- June 9th – Board of Education Meeting – Thornwood High School 7:00 p.m.
- June 14th – College and Career Summer Experience –
Arts and Communications Camp
- June 14th – Summer Athletic Camps Begin
- June 14th – United Nations Summer Leadership Academy Begins

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.”



UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Recommended Approval of Chemistry Textbook (Policy Section 2.46)

Mr. Truesdale

(Approval needed) (2 minutes)



NEW BUSINESS

- Resolution Presented by Student Board
(Mission and Vision – Student Board Members
(2 minutes)

Student Board Members
(2 minutes)



NEW BUSINESS

- ▶ Recommended Approval of the Out-of-State field Trip (Policy Section 4.28)

Mrs. Williams
(3 minutes)

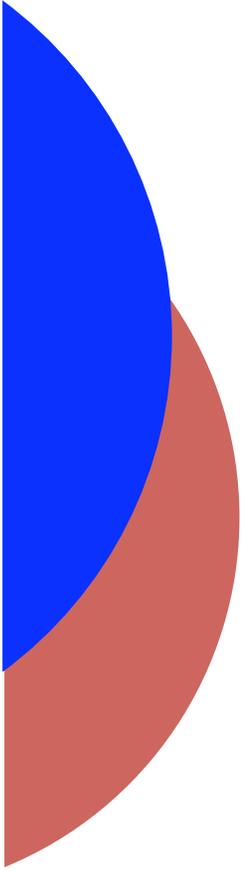


NEW BUSINESS

- ▶ Recommended Approval of Phase II Race To The Top Memorandum of Understanding (Mission and Vision)

Mr. Truesdale
(Approval needed) (3 minutes)





Race to the Top

Phase II

Four Fundamental Areas of Reform

- **Adopting standards and assessments** that prepare students to succeed in college and the workplace and to compete in the global economy;
- **Building data systems** that measure student growth and success, and inform teachers and principals about how they can improve instruction;
- **Recruiting, developing, rewarding, and retaining** effective teachers and principals, especially where they are needed most; and
- **Turning around** our lowest-achieving schools

Results

- Illinois placed fifth in the competition
- Only 42% of districts submitted Memo of Understanding
- Changes for Phase II:
 - Additional funding for districts STEM programs of study in high schools
 - Additional professional development for math and science instruction, including Advanced Placement courses.
 - Allowing already developed district improvement plan to be submitted for “Race to the Top”.
 - Only Tier I and Tier II schools will have to use the four reform models introduced by the U.S. Department of Education

Timeline

- March 2010
 - Joint “Race to the Top” Committee formed
- April 23, 2010
 - ISBE sent notification to districts about Phase II
- May 24, 2010
 - Deadline for districts to submit Memo of Understanding to ISBE
- June 1, 2010
 - Illinois submits Phase II application to U.S. Department of Education

NEW BUSINESS

- ▶ Recommended Approval of District 205 To Become ECHO Joint Agreement Administrative Agent from July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2013 (Policy Section 1.04)

Dr. Buckner
(2 minutes)



NEW BUSINESS

ECHO

Exceptional Children Have Opportunities

Mission

To provide leadership and support to ensure that Exception Children Have Opportunities to learn through home school and community partnership

District 133	District 154.5
District 147	District 155
District 148	District 156
District 149	District 157
District 150	District 158
District 151	District 171
District 152	District 215
District 152.5	
District 154	
District 205	

NEW BUSINESS

ECHO serves students with a wide variety of disabilities between the ages of birth to **twenty-two**

Autism

Deafness

Hearing Impairment

Multiple Disabilities

Cognitive Disabilities

Orthopedic Impairment

Other Health Impairment

Speech/Language Impairment

Traumatic Brain Injury

Visual Impairment

Developmental Delay



NEW BUSINESS

ECHO Programs

- ▶ Family Enrichment Program
- ▶ ECHO Early Childhood Program
- ▶ ECHO ABLE & Satellite Programs
- ▶ Deaf and Hard of Hearing Program
- ▶ Communication Development Program
- ▶ PACE Programs Academy for Learning Programs
- ▶ ECHO Focus Programs
 - ECHO School
 - ECHO PHI-Instruction & Itinerant Programs
 - ECHO Vision-Instruction & Itinerant Programs



NEW BUSINESS

ECHO employs over 500 dedicated staff to service approximately 1400 students across the area.

Certified Staff

Special Education Teachers	General Education Teachers
Speech and Language Pathologists	Social Workers
Psychologists	Physical Therapists
Occupational Therapists	Nurses
Orientation & Mobility Specialists	



NEW BUSINESS

- ▶ Recommended Approval of 2010–2011 Student Fees (Policy Section 1.61)

Mr. Gress
(Approval needed) (3 minutes)





STUDENT FEES

- The Finance Committee reviewed the five-year history of student fees for District 205.
- The Finance Committee is recommending that student fees remain the same for the 2010-11 school year.
- The following slide will show you the five-year history

STUDENT FEES (cont.)

<u>2005-06</u>	<u>2006-07</u>	<u>2007-08</u>	<u>2008-09</u>	<u>2009-10</u>	<u>2010-11</u>
140.00	140.00	140.00	140.00	140.00	140.00
15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
155.00	155.00	155.00	155.00	155.00	155.00
25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00
22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00	22.00
250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
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NEW BUSINESS

- ▶ Recommended Approval of P.E. Uniform Bid (Policy Section 2.34)

Mr. Gress
(Approval needed) (3 minutes)



P.E. UNIFORM BID

- ⊙ On Wednesday, April 28, District 205 held a bid opening for gym uniforms. Five bids were received and are summarized below:

	<u>BID</u>
Ares Sportswear	\$33,537.64
Lansing Sports Shop	\$32,745.00
Neff Motivation, Inc.	\$40,481.80
St. John Sports Shop	\$30,193.12
Sunburst Sportswear	\$32,674.24

- ⊙ The Finance Committee is recommending the bid be awarded to St. John Sports in the amount of \$30,193.12, being the lowest, responsible bidder meeting specifications.

NEW BUSINESS

- ▶ Recommended Approval of Track Resurfacing Bid
(Policy Section 2.34)

Mr. Gress
(Approval needed) (3 minutes)



TRACK RESURFACING BID

- ③ On Wednesday, April 28, District 205 held a bid opening for resurfacing the Thornridge and Thornwood tracks, as well as moving long jump runways and pits per the school's request.
- ③ The three projects were bid asking for one bid price as requested by the Finance Committee.

Midwest Tennis & Track	\$195,000
Track Surfaces Company	\$179,000
- ③ The existing light blue surface of the Thornridge track is no longer in production so a new blue was presented.
- ③ The Finance Committee has reviewed the bids and color for Thornridge and is recommending awarding the bid to Track Surfaces in the amount of \$179,000 being the lowest responsible bidder meeting specifications.

NEW BUSINESS

- ▶ Recommended Approval of Activity Bus Bid (Policy Section 2.34)

Mr. Gress
(Approval needed) (3 minutes)



ACTIVITY BUS BID

- ⊙ On Thursday, April 29, District 205 held a bid opening to purchase three 14 passenger buses. Four bids were received as follows:

Central States	\$138,378
Illinois Bus Sales	\$125,148
Midwest	\$125,259
Southern Bus	\$124,824

- ⊙ The Finance Committee has reviewed the bids and is recommending awarding the bid to Southern Bus in the amount of \$124,824, being the lowest responsible bidder, meeting specifications.
- ⊙ The low bid received during the 2009 year for purchase of three buses with the same specifications was \$132,573.

NEW BUSINESS

- ▶ Recommended Approval of Gymnasium Lighting Renovations Bid (Policy Section 2.34)

Mr. Gress
(Approval needed) (3 minutes)



GYMNASIUM LIGHTING RENOVATIONS

- ⊙ On Wednesday, April 28, District 205 held a bid opening for work on the gymnasium lighting renovations project to be completed during the summer of 2010
- ⊙ The Finance Committee has reviewed the bids and is recommending the contract be awarded to Metropolitan Corporation in the amount of \$439,100, being the lowest responsible bidder meeting specifications.

NEW BUSINESS

- ▶ Recommended Approval of Asbestos Removal Bid (Policy Section 2.34)

Mr. Gress
(Approval needed) (3 minutes)





ASBESTOS REMOVAL BID

- ⊙ On Monday May 9, District 205 held a bid opening for asbestos removal to be completed throughout the District during the summer of 2010.
- ⊙ The low bid received was from SBE Enterprises with a low bid of \$389,744; however, when the review of the scope of work was done, they determined that they had made errors in the calculation of their bid and asked to withdraw the bid.
- ⊙ The second low bid was submitted by SAFE Environment with a bid of \$460,840.
- ⊙ The Finance Committee has reviewed the bids and is recommending the project be awarded to SAFE Environment in the amount of \$460,840 being the lowest responsible bidder, meeting specifications.

NEW BUSINESS

- ▶ Recommended Approval of Thornton Auditorium Repairs (Policy Section 2.34)

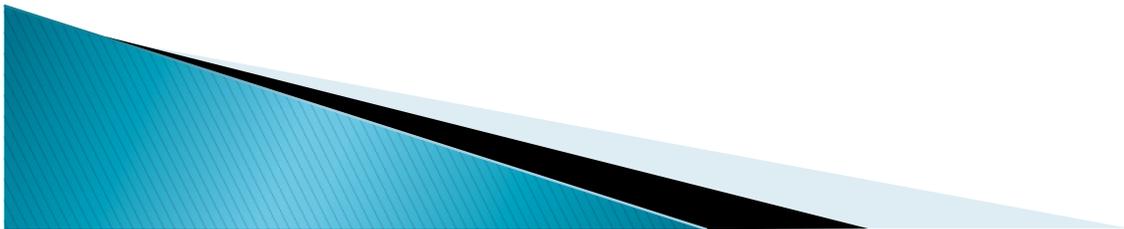
Mr. Gress
(Approval needed) (3 minutes)



THORNTON AUDITORIUM REPAIRS

- ⊙ There is a major problem with the floor in the Thornton Auditorium. Tiles are cracked and popping up throughout the entire auditorium. If the asbestos is not removed prior to the start of the 2010-2011 school year, the auditorium will have to be closed until the asbestos is removed.
- ⊙ Three options are available:
 1. Close the auditorium until the asbestos is removed \$0
 2. Take up the seats and remove the asbestos, recover the seats and put them back \$549,717
 3. Completely renovate the auditorium (Approximately) \$2,500,000
- ⊙ The Finance Committee discussed these options on May 4 and is recommending that the District go out to bid for renovation of the auditorium.

Miscellaneous



Superintendent's Report



Adjournment

