# District 205 Board Meeting

March 10, 2010

## **Open Session**

## **Executive Session**

**CLOSED SESSION** 

## Reconvene Open Session

#### **Roll Call**





Please make certain that your cell phones are silent.

Thank you

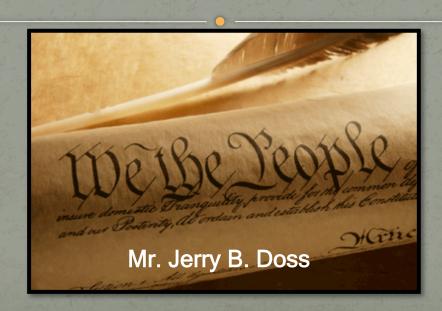
## Consent Agenda

- Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting and Executive Session of February 10, 2010
- Approval of District 205 Bills
- Personnel: Approval of Resignations, Leave of Absence, Employment
- Staff Dismissals:
  - 1) Dismissal of Other Than Final Year Probationary Teachers (32)
  - 2) Dismissal of Paraprofessionals (20)
  - 3) Resolution to Dismiss Fourth-Year Teacher
  - 4) Resolution to Dismiss Fourth-Year Teacher
  - 5) Resolution to Dismiss Fourth-Year Teacher
  - 6) Resolution to Dismiss Fourth-Year Teacher
  - 7) Notice to Remedy for 4 Tenured Teachers
- Discipline

# **FOIA**

• Mr. Gress





Congratulations Thornridge Speech

District 205 Students Competed at the IHSA Speech Tournament

TR First Place in Dramatic Duet Acting
Abrielle Dillon
Alan Selph

Thornridge Performs at Black History Month Celebration

- SAVE Drill Team and TR Jazz Band performed
- Village of Hazel Crest's Black History Program.
- Village was very impressed performance
- Requested them again next year.

Thank you Mr. Eanes and Mrs. Robinson

#### Congratulations Mr. David Eanes, Band Director

- Awarded the 2010 Howard Luckey Excellence in Jazz Leadership Award.
- Mr. Eanes was presented this prestigious award at the *Jazz Masters Jam* held at Prairie State College.

Keep up the great work Mr. Eanes!

Congratulations Thornton Speech

District 205 Students Competed at the IHSA Speech Tournament

TTHS First Place in Oratorical Declamation
Lamar Hawkins

TTHS Third Place in Poetry Reading
Javon Smith

Congratulations Thornton Cheerleaders

• Finished second place in the Champion Spirit Group Competition.

• National cheerleading competition held at Wisconsin Dells.

Great Job Wildcat Cheerleaders!

Thornton's Project Lead the Way Wins Engineering Competition Held in Glen Ellen

The following students competed in the Destination Imagination Regional Competition, they took <u>1st</u> <u>place</u> in the Structural: "Breaking DI News" event.

Reyes, Marcela

Sanders Jr., Ricky L.

Trimble, Kacie

Vhora, Fazila

Vhora, Meena

Vhora, Saleha

Wilson, Leon D

Thornton Basketball Moves Forward in March Madness

- Thornton Wildcats won first round of playoffs beating, Lincoln Way East on Friday, March 5th.
- The Wildcats face Homewood-Flossmoor tonight at 7:00 p.m. in the Sectional game.

Good luck Wildcats!



Congratulations Thornwood Speech
State Champions!

TW First Place in Dramatic Duet Acting

Magdalena Agbehia and Randa Flowers

Second Place in Reading and Prose Reading

Johari Mackey

Third in Humorous Interpretation

Darius Leakes

Fourth Place Performance in the Round

# Thornwood High School Cheerleaders Win National Title

Congratulations to the Thornwood High School
Cheerleading Team for winning their **7th** consecutive national cheer title.

Congratulations T-Birds!

Thornwood Student Wins Mock Trial Competition

- De'Je Holmes won "MOST OUTSTANDING LAWYER".
- Sixth Municipal District Mock Trial Competition.
- Honored by Cook County Chief Judge- Timothy Evans and, Presiding Judge- Marjorie Laws.
- Over 75 south suburban students participated.
- De'Je will receive a \$5,000 Scholarship to attend John Marshall Law School.

Thornwood Students Compete in Black History Challenge

- Won first place at the Top Teens of America's annual Black Heritage Bowl.
- Competed against schools from the south suburbs and City of Chicago.

**Great Job Thornwood!** 

#### Thornwood Track Team Wins First Place

- Won first place at 2010 Thornwood Invitational.
- Team has a rich history of success in track and field.

Congratulations to the students and coaches on this achievement.

District 205 Academic Enrichment Foundation Reaching for the Stars Gala <u>March 27, 2010</u> – Serbian Hall

**Congratulations Star Award Winners** 

Ron Kokesh – Thornridge High School Dr. Veronica Peppers – Thornton High School Debbie Ubriaco – Thornwood High School Rep. Will Davis – Star Award for Community Service

#### Riverdale Mayor Inaugurates the Mayor Deyon L. Dean Young Achiever's Award

- Mayor Dean will award two \$100 educational savings bonds to the two highest achieving Riverdale graduating students.
- Award will be made in May.

Thank you Mayor Dean

#### Student Board of Education Student Exchange

- Student Board of Education and Schaumburg High School held a student exchange.
- Students from all three District 205 schools participated.
- Exchange program was held at Thornton High School.
- District 205 students will travel to Schaumburg High School on March 16, 2010
  - Thank you principals and faculty for your assistance with this project.

## District 205/Schaumburg High School Student Exchange









# District 205 Students Invited to Visit United Nations

- District 205 students were invited to the United Nations by the South Suburban Chicago Chapter of the Links, Incorporated.
- Students were selected based on a District-wide essay competition.
- Students will leave March 25, 2010 and return March 27, 2010.
- Participating students will work in the United Nations Summer Leadership Academy.
- Students will miss two days of school.

#### District 205 Students Invited to Visit United Nations

• Students will be chaperoned by District 205 administrator, Mr. Brett Fickes and South Suburban Chicago Chapter of the Links, Incorporated – Nadine DeJohnette.

In accordance with Board Policy 4.28 –Board Approval Needed.

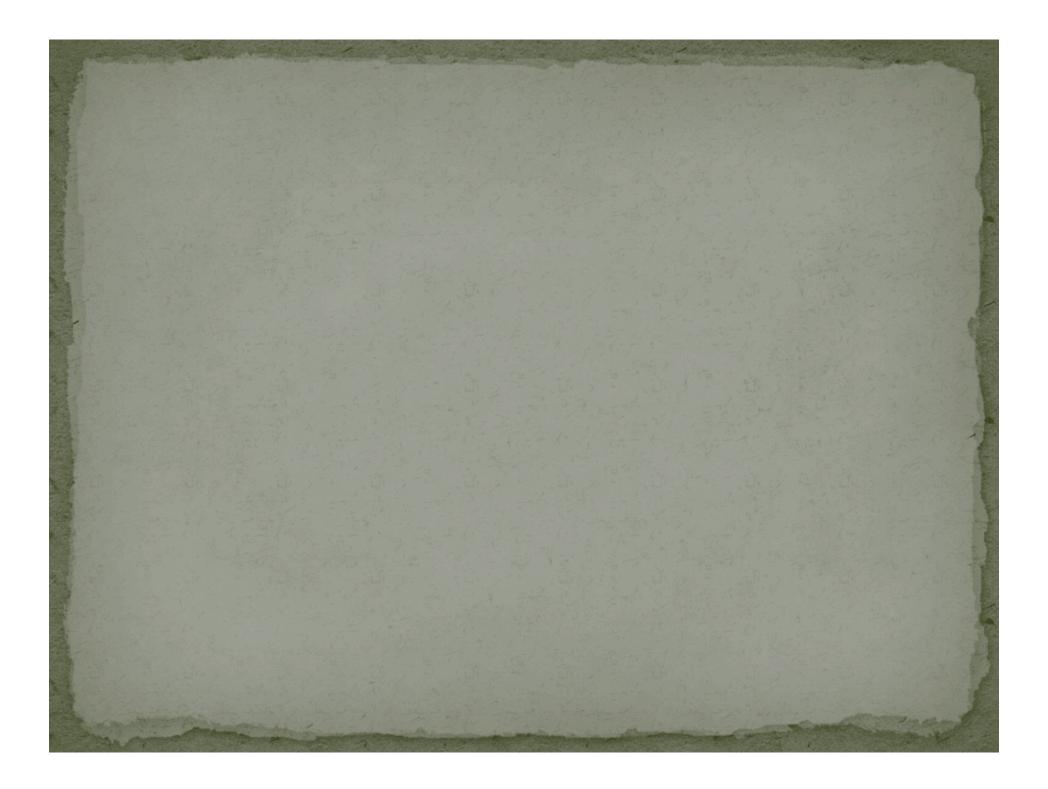
## Upcoming Events

- Mar. 12 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Ends
- Mar. 13 SAT Test
- Mar. 14 Daylight Saving Time Begins
- Mar. 15 Start of 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter
- Mar. 16 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Grades Due
- Mar. 17 St. Patrick's Day
- Mar. 24 Late Start
- Mar. 24 South Suburban College Job Fair 3:30
- Mar. 25 SAT Registration Deadline for May 1
- Mar. 27 Reaching for the Stars Gala Serbian Hall

## Upcoming Events

#### March - April

- Mar. 31 Ray Price Scholarship Deadline
- Apr. 1 April Fool's Day
- Apr. 2 Good Friday
- Apr. 11 Easter
- Apr. 1–10 Spring Break (No School)
- Apr. 6 Board of Education Finance Committee Meeting
- Apr. 10 ACT Test
- Apr. 14 Late Start



## **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."

• Approval of Race to The top commencement Challenge (Policy Section 1.16 C., L.)

Student Board Representatives (5-7 minutes)

#### Race to the Top Commencement Challenge

- Competition to have President Obama speak at graduation.
- Student Board created a committee to complete applications on behalf of each of the three schools.
- Application deadline is March 15, 2010.
- Must create two minute movie to submit for the each school's application.
- Request permission to submit application on behalf of the District.

• NFTE Teacher of the Year and The Links, Inc. Award Winners (Policy Section 1.61)

Dr. Buckner

(3 minutes)

# Partnerships (2)

- Thornton's National Foundation for Teaching Entrepreneurship program (NFTE) is recognized as one the best in the country. Thank you TALF
- Mr. Ricardo Johnson, Teacher selected as a winner of the 2010 NFTE Teacher of the Year Award, Congratulations!
- South Suburban Chicago Chapter of the Links, Incorporated provides financial literacy program at Thornwood High School for the past three years.
- Students will be awarded special financial awards at their final session on March 16, 2010...
  - U.N. Program and L.I.F.E. Program Thank You!

 Recommended Approval of 2010-2011 School Calendar (Policy Section 3.01 B.1.p)

Mr. Shields (approval needed) (3 minutes)

#### 2010-2011 School Calendar

- First semester August 16-December 22
- Second Semester January 6-May 31
- Spring Break March 28-April 1
- Freshmen Start August 17th
- □178 Student attendance days
- ☐ 2 Teacher institute days
- ☐ 2 Parent Teacher Conference Days
- □3 Emergency Days
- ☐ School year

**August 16 – May 31** 

 Recommended Approval of Capital Improvement Projects (Policy Section 1.61)

Mr. Gress

(Approval needed) (5 – 7 Minutes)

District 205 has completed conducting meetings to gather suggestions for capital improvements.

#### Meetings were held on:

- February 8<sup>th</sup> at 2:30pm and 6:00pm, and on February 24<sup>th</sup> at 2:30pm for Thornton High School
- February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 2:30pm and 6:00pm for Thornridge High School
- March 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:30pm and 6:00pm for Thornwood High School

The items identified are on display for viewing here tonight, within each building, and on the District 205 website. These lists include the project, who made the recommendation, and the estimated cost.

• District 205 is asking for **community** assistance with prioritizing these projects. Instructions for providing input are available near the signs and on the website.

• District 205 is also working with the **faculty** for assistance in prioritizing these projects. Input will be taken through March 17<sup>th</sup>, and at that time information will be summarized and the results provided to the Board of Education.

Priority lists have been received from the
 Student Board and from the district architect.

**Total Funds Available** 

\$50,000,000

The estimated costs for the projects identified by the community, students, and staff would be:

Thornton

\$56,464,375

Technical Building

\$3,188,450

Thornridge

\$45,729,963

Thornwood

\$45,901,156

Total

\$151,283,944

All capital improvement projects funded by the \$50 million bond issue must be completed and paid for by November 2012.

The next steps in the process are to:

- Finish gathering input on priorities
- Identify projects to be completed in 2010
- Identify projects to be completed in 2011

## Miscellaneous

None

## Superintendent's Report

None

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# Adjournment