

BOARD-O-GRAM Educational Focus Meeting September 27, 2010

Building Futures

Board Honors "88's Best" for September

The Board of Education recognizes students who excel at Addison Trail and Willowbrook High Schools through **88's Best**. They were pleased to honor the following students for their academic accomplishments:



Roberto De La Rosa has excelled in the classroom and extracurricular activities at **Addison Trail**. Currently ranked 2nd in the senior class, Roberto has been a member of the Honor Roll for all four years. He has challenged himself with a most rigorous curriculum that has included 12 Advanced Placement courses.

In addition to his academic accolades, Roberto has been a 4-year member of the soccer team and is involved with the Interact Club, Key Club and Lettermen Club. His involvement in these clubs has allowed Roberto to help his community through service projects such as helping at the PADS shelter, assisting with Parent University, participating in the clean-up of Salt Creek and being a member of the Addison Police Department's Peer Jury.

Roberto is considering attending the University of Illinois-Chicago, the University of Chicago or Northwestern University where he plans to study medicine.

Tova Bergsten has demonstrated success in academics and extracurricular activities at **Willowbrook** and currently ranks in the 99% of the senior class. She successfully completed eight previous Advanced Placement courses as a sophomore and junior, and is enrolled in six additional AP courses this year. Additionally, Tova has taken five college courses for credit and currently is enrolled in two college courses. She is an inductee into organizations such as National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta and Civitas.

Beyond the classroom, Tova has participated in extracurricular organizations including Speech Team, Math Team, Show Choir, Scholastic Bowl, Badminton, Blue Crew, Theatre, Orchestra, sings in Concert Choir, and was part of an award-winning quartet at the Allerton Chamber Music Symposium.

Tova plans to pursue a degree in Mathematics, Chemistry and Physics at either Stanford University, St. Olaf College or University of Chicago with the hope of passing her love of learning to others through teaching.



INTRODUCTION OF NEW STAFF:

The Board of Education **welcomed the new staff members for 2010-2011** to District 88 during the Board meeting. Following introductions, a brief reception was hosted to meet the new Blazer and Warrior teachers.

EDUCATIONAL FOCUS ITEMS:

Assistant Superintendent Mrs. Jean Barbanente, AT Assistant Principal Adam Cibulka, and WB Assistant Principal Ann Kimpton discussed assessment strategies as part of the school improvement process. The development of common assessments aligned to the College and Career Readiness Standards means that students district wide are learning the same skills and being scored similarly. Academic departments have developed common syllabi and expectations between the buildings and are communicating these plans with feeder school districts as well. External Coach Steve Biddinger demonstrated Mastery Manager which is the software tool to store the data from these common assessments. This vehicle not only helps to provide longitudinal data but also helps faculty with making instructional decisions.

THE CONSENT AGENDA, which included the following items, was <u>approved</u> by the Board:

The **list of bills and treasurer's report** from August 2010; the revised **treasurer's report** from July 2010; **personnel items as presented** at the September 20, 2010 meeting; **donation to the "Perks & Possibilities" program** from the Women's Club of Addison and the **Application of Recognition of Schools.**

DISCUSION ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION, which included the following, were <u>approved</u> by the Board:

- The Board of Education **adopted the 2010-11 budget**.
- Building The Future (BTF) contractor **payment request #26**.
- **Revised and amended Board Policies**: 2:20 Powers and Duties of the School Board and 2:100 Board Member Conflict of Interest.
- Adoption of The 21st Century Vision for DuPage District 88
- Meeting minutes from the August 23, 2010, Regular Business meeting; August 30, 2010, Educational Focus meeting and September 16, 2010 Special Board meeting.

IN PERSONNEL ACTION: the following item was <u>approved</u> by the Board:

- <u>Classified Staff appointment</u> for Nicole DeMatteo, WB Part-Time Math teacher; Jaime Engel, WB Part-Time and Nicholas Metcalf, WB Special Education Teacher.
- <u>Certified Staff Unpaid Personal Leave of Absence</u> for **Roseann Janusz**, District Library/Media Center Director.
- <u>Classified Staff Appointment</u> for Jeannette Becerra, AT Part-Time Special Education Teacher Aide.
- <u>Classified Staff Unpaid Personal Leave of Absence</u> for Isa Meleqi, WB Custodian.

INFORMATIONAL ITEM:

 Mrs. Vanessa Duffin, Director of Human Resources, presented an Administrative Salary Compensation Report to comply with Public Act 96-0434. The report is accessible on the District 88 website at www.dupage88.net.

SCHOOL RECOGNITION:

Addison Trail Principal Dr. Scott Helton highlighted recent events and recognition:

- The 3rd Annual "Go Pink or Go Home" breast cancer awareness campaign has begun with the involvement of local hair salons selling pink hair extensions.
- Addison Trail will welcome exchange students from Triggiano, Italy from October 8-15 and host a number of events for the students and their host families.
- Upcoming events: Homecoming Week, District 88 football game and Building The Future Dedication Celebration

Willowbrook Principal Mr. Dan Krause also highlighted recent events and recognition:

- The annual Open House was very successful with parents enjoying the opportunity to tour the building, visit with teachers and receive PowerSchool training.
- Distinguished Alumni and Service Awards will be presented to 15 recipients during a program hosted at the Lombard Westin.
- Upcoming events: Homecoming Week, Band Day, Band-o-Rama and Building The Future Dedication Celebration

Mark Your Calendars:

October 17, 2010	1:00 p.m.	Building The Future Dedication Celebration	Addison Trail
October 17, 2010	4:00 p.m.	Building The Future Dedication Celebration	Willowbrook
October 18, 2010	7:30 p.m.	Board of Education, Regular Business Meeting	District Boardroom
October 25, 2010	7:30 p.m.	Board of Education, Educational Focus Meeting	District Boardroom