

Building Futures

# March 23, 2020 Educational Focus Board of Education Meeting

### Public Hearing on The Use of E-Learning Days

A public hearing took place on the proposed use of E-Learning days in lieu of emergency days.

Dr. Scott Helton, along with Dr. Jean Barbanente provided the Board with a review of E-Learning processes and procedures and also discussed compliance with the Regional Office of Education and ISBE Guidelines for approval. Dr. Barbanente shared that E-Learning allows for the continuation of schooling during a school closure. The administration recommends the following item for Board approval: 9-Q.

## Public Hearing on Proposed Honorable Dismissal of Teachers Due to Economic Necessity (Reduction In Force)

A public hearing took place on the proposed honorable dismissal of teachers due to economic necessity (reduction in force).

In accordance with School Code, Mrs. Barbanente shared the School Board must hold a public hearing when the number of honorable teacher dismissals exceeds five (5) notices or 150-percent of the prior year's releases. After the hearing, any action to approve a reduction in force must be a majority vote by the Board of Education. The Union was notified of the potential reduction in force. The administration recommends the following resolution for Board approval: 9-S. Resolution Authorizing Honorable Dismissal of Teachers.

### **Educational Focus Item**

Dr. Jean Barbanente, Assistant Superintendent, provided an overview of programming and staffing trends for the 2020-2021 school year. Included was an update on final student course selections and staffing allocations for the upcoming school year. This included a list of courses not running in 20-21. In addition, priorities in staffing decisions included advanced placement courses, dual credit courses, courses that offer career credentialing and/or direct career pathways, courses leading to transcript college credit, courses and programming required for special populations - (English Language Learners and Special Education), courses to help keep students on track for graduation-AVID, credit recovery, alternative programs, reading and math interventions, comprehensive offerings in the elective areas, and programming and interventions to support students emotional and mental health needs.

# The CONSENT AGENDA, which included the following items, was approved by the Board:

- ♣ Approve the List of Bills for February 2020.
- Approve meeting minutes from February 4, 2020, through February 24, 2020.
  - a. Minutes of the February 4, 2020 Building & Grounds meeting.
  - b. Minutes of the February 10, 2020 Regular Business Board meeting.
  - c. Minutes of the February 24, 2020 Educational Focus Board meeting.
  - d. Minutes of the February 24, 2020 Closed Session Board meeting.



# ECA

### Separate Action items, which include the following were approved by the Board:

- Treasurer's Report for February 2020
- ♣ Budget Status Report for February 2020
- Transportation Contract Extension 2020-21 (Regular)
- ♣ Transportation Contract Extension for 2020-21 (Special Education)
- Concrete Dock Repair
- Bank Depositories 2020-21
- ♣ Retirement Plan 403(b) Restatement
- ♣ Technical Consultant-Addison Trail Exterior Facade Project
- ♣ Technical Consultant-Willowbrook Exterior Facade Project
- Purchase of Copy Paper
- 3-Wheel Infield Groomer-Rejection of Bids
- Photography Services Renewal
- ♣ Beverage Vending Service Renewal
- 🖶 Snack Vending Agreement Renewal
- Donations
- ♣ IHSA Membership Renewal 2020-21
- E-Learning Approval Request
- Personnel

### **CLASSIFIED MID-MANAGEMENT APPOINTMENT:**

Thomas Hayden

Addison Trail Custodial Foreman

Effective: March 24, 2020

### **CERTIFIED STAFF RESIGNATIONS:**

Pamela Nagy

Addison Trail Special-Education Teacher

Effective: May 22, 2020

Blanca Pichardo - Gudino

Willowbrook Literacy and Special Education Teacher

Effective: May 22, 2020

Ulises Ortiz

Addison Trail Guidance Counselor

Effective: May 22, 2020

### APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL:

Dr. Jamie Gourley Assistant Principal Effective: July 1, 2020

- Resolution Authorizing Honorable Dismissal of Teachers
- Resolution Authorizing Notice and Honorable Dismissal of Certain Educational Support Personnel

### **Information/Discussion Items**

### Credit Card Summary

Mr. Edward Hoster, Chief Financial Officer, reviewed the district's credit card use report for February 2020, as outlined in Board Policy 4:55 Use of Credit and Procurement Cards.

### Recognition of Tenure

Congratulations to District 88 teachers who will receive tenure status beginning with the 2020-21 school year.

| <u>Name</u>        | <b>Department</b> | School                    |
|--------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Yesenia Favela     | Psychology        | Addison Trail             |
| Daniel Fernandez   | Science           | Addison Trail             |
| Marina Kalic       | Special Ed        | Addison Trail             |
| Karina Klimek      | World Lang        | Willowbrook               |
| Ayesha Rizvi       | Psychology        | Willowbrook               |
| Malcom Ross        | Science           | Willowbrook               |
| Alexander Stombres | Music             | Addison Trail             |
| Nilay Woodbury     | World Lang        | Addison Trail/Willowbrook |

### School/District Recognition-Superintendent Report

- ♣ Dr. Helton commended Dr. Lenaghan, Charlie Hoehn and Dani Brink for their contributions in coordinating the online Board of Education meeting.
- → Dr. Helton reported that the scheduled May 18<sup>th</sup> institute day was moved to Monday, March 16<sup>th</sup> to provide teachers an opportunity to prepare for the upcoming E-Learning days.
- ♣ A total of 1,119 Google classrooms were set up for use to push out instruction Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays with Monday and Fridays being used as office hours.
- ♣ Attendance online for students has been over 90 percent.
- ♣ Student support staff has been working online conducting 504 and IEP meetings, assisting with scholarship applications and service interventions.
- ♣ Library media services is working collectively with students and teachers.
- 19 students from the Goal program have logged over 275 hours of Edgenuity in four days.
- ➡ Willowbrook High School promoted a virtual spirit week. Students sent pictures showing their spirit.
- ♣ Food services, Arbor and Chartwells, along with Cottage Hill bussing have provided tremendous support to District 88 and compact districts to help assist with preparing and delivery of meals to the community.
- **↓** 10,407 meals were provided averaging 1,376 meals to students a day over five days.
- → Dr. Helton acknowledge Mr. Hoster, Mr. Domeracki, Mr. Bolden, Dr. Krause and a strong team of volunteers for making the food service to the community successful.
- Moving forward, bulk food distribution will take place.
- ♣ Sites have been consolidated for food distribution.
- The first district online meeting for administrators took place today.
- ♣ Dr. Helton thanked the Board for their leadership.

### **Board Of Education Meeting Dates**

All meetings are at 7:30 p.m. in the District 88 Boardroom (unless otherwise noted)

