

Board Honors Koch Scholarship and Lopatka Art Scholarship Recipients

Since the spring of 1984, the **David Koch Board of Education Scholarship** has been given in honor of former District 88 Superintendent (1974-1983) Dr. David Koch. The \$1,500 scholarship is awarded annually to a student from Addison Trail and Willowbrook. The 2011 recipients are:



Pietro Conte has demonstrated success in academics and extracurricular activities at **Addison Trail**. His strong commitment to challenging himself has led him to take numerous Advanced Placement courses, rank in the Top 2% of the senior class, and earn Honor Roll distinction for all four years. Pietro has been accepted at the University of Michigan His future plans include majoring in Economics and possibly pursuing a law degree.

Lauren Firanek has excelled in academics and extra-curriculars at **Willowbrook** High School. Currently, she is in the top 1% in the senior class, is enrolled in five Advanced Placement courses, and has completed five AP courses as well as numerous honors courses.

Lauren plans to attend the University of Notre Dame where she anticipates majoring in medicine. She hopes one day to become a surgeon who specializes in either orthopedics or emergency care.



The Board of Education has selected three recipients from each school for the **Robert Lopatka Art Scholarship**. Their artwork will be displayed in the District Board Room for one year. The scholarships are \$500 each and are named in honor of District 88's former superintendent (1988-2001).

Addison Trail

- Andrew Edmier (12)
- Nikolas Gomez-Rocha (9)
- Edwin Gutierrez (12)

Willowbrook

- Christopher Capoyianes (12)
- Alexandra Maksymec (12)
- Megan Sullivan (12)

Student Exchange Program to Addison Sister City Triggiano, Italy

Addison Trail Faculty sponsors Courtney DeMent, Laura Calo and Enza DeFranco, shared their experiences about the recent **student exchange program to Addison Sister City Triggiano, Italy**. **Village of Addison Mayor Larry Hartwig** presented information about this unique partnership with the high school. Additionally, several Sister City Committee members were recognized for their contributions to the twelve Addison Trail students who participated in the trip, which occurred during spring break in March 2011. Mayor Hartwig also spoke about plans for future Sister City projects, including a return trip to Triggiano.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

- The **Board of Education Committee Assignments**, effective July 1, 2011 for one-year, were presented.
- Dr. Humphrey reported on recent legislative initiatives known as the **Performance Evaluation Reform Act (PERA)** that will impact several areas of education in the areas of personnel. The legislation, passed by the general assembly, still requires the signature of the Governor.
- **Mr. Matt Thompson**, Addison Trail Athletic Director, presented information on current district concussion protocols as well as new protocols that are emerging from the experts and other school districts. This information will continue to be reviewed over the summer, with implementation and training to occur in the fall.
- **Mrs. Jean Barbanente**, Assistant Superintendent, reported highlights from the recent Curriculum Council meeting. Because curriculum review and monitoring is ongoing district-wide, the council has determined future meetings will only be convened when policy decisions need to be made. At this time, the council does not recommend modifying the graduation requirements. The core departments will be compiling a comprehensive online curriculum guide as part of the school improvement process. The focus is on aligning curriculum with the common core standards and preparing students with the skills to be ready for post-secondary opportunities.

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

The **list of bills, Treasurer's Report and Budget Status Report** from April 2011; resolution to **Deposit Interest to Education Fund** (2010-2011); resolution to **Deposit Interest from the Working Cash Fund to the Education Fund** (2010-2011); Resolution for **Intergovernmental Agreement for Facility Useage, Early Taxes Resolution** that earmarks the June 2011 tax distribution to the 2011-2012 fiscal year and budget; **bank depositories** for 2011-2012; **Purchases for District Transitions Program: Fitness Equipment; for Addison Trail/Willowbrook: Student Planners, Food Service Management Contract, Regular Transportation Contract; for Addison Trail: Furniture; certify the Hazardous bus conditions; and personnel report** as presented on May 16, 2011.

DISCUSSION ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION, which included the following, were approved by the Board:

- **Ratification of BTF Planning/Construction Committee Actions:** Summer Bids Ceramic Tile and Flooring.
- **List of Bills to date for May 2011** in excess of \$5,000.
- **Contract extension for Accelerated Rehabilitation Centers** as the athletic trainer for the 2011-2012 school year.
- Appointment of Superintendent Dr. Steve Humphrey as the DuPage Area Occupational Education Systems (**DAOES**) **District 88 Representative**.
- Renewal of the annual dues for **2011-2012 membership in the Illinois Association of School Boards (IASB)**
- **Student Behavior Regulations**
- **Board Policy 7:180** Preventing Bullying, Intimidation and Harassment.
- **Meeting minutes** from the Technology Committee meeting of April 7, 2011.
- **Meeting minutes** from the Evaluation and Compensation Committee meeting of April 11, 2011.
- **Meeting minutes** from the Evaluation and Compensation Committee closed meeting of April 11, 2011.
- **Meeting minutes** from the Regular Board meeting of April 18, 2011.
- **Meeting minutes** from the Closed Session Board meeting of April 18, 2011.
- **Meeting minutes** from the Buildings and Grounds Committee meeting of April 19, 2011.
- **Meeting minutes** from the Behavioral Interventions Committee meeting of April 21, 2011.
- **Meeting minutes** from the Educational Focus Board meeting of April 25, 2011.
- **Meeting minutes** from the Re-Organizational Board meeting of April 28, 2011.
- **Meeting minutes** from the Board Officers meeting of May 13, 2011.

IN PERSONNEL ACTION: the following items were approved by the Board:

- Certified Staff Resignation for **Andrew Dahan**, AT Music Teacher.
- Classified Staff Resignation for **Michelle Akavuti**, WB Special Education Teacher Aide.

SCHOOL RECOGNITION:

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

- The Student Success Recognition Assembly featured special guest, news anchor Diann Burns, and honored more than 250 students for their accomplishments and contributions.
- For the 3rd consecutive year, Addison Trail has been recognized as one of the Top 1900 high schools in the nation based on Advanced Placement (AP) test participation. The ranking of schools appears in *The Washington Post* this year.
- "Operation Prom" which simulates a mock drunk driving accident will be hosted in conjunction with the Addison Police and Fire Departments to deliver a message about safety to juniors and students and the value of making positive decisions.
- Upcoming events include: Battle of the Bands, Yearbook distribution, PBIS Celebration, Prom and Graduation.

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

- Nearly 150 junior and senior students were recognized for promoting and demonstrating positive human relations within the school and the community.
- For the 4th consecutive year, Willowbrook has been recognized as one of the Top 1900 high schools in the nation based on Advanced Placement (AP) test participation. The ranking of schools appears in *The Washington Post* this year.
- Students were inducted into the National Honor Society as well as at the first ever ceremony of the English Honor Society.
- Congratulations to the successes of the girls track team at the State meet: 18th overall, 4x100m (7th), 100m (5th), 200m (2nd).
- Upcoming events include: Willyfest, Senior Athletic Awards, Senior Recognition Assembly, Prom and Graduation.

Mark Your Calendars:

June 13, 2011	7:30 p.m.	Board of Education, Regular Business Meeting	District Boardroom
June 20, 2011	7:30 p.m.	Board of Education, Educational Focus Meeting	District Boardroom