BOARD-O-GRAM Educational Focus Meeting April 25, 2011

Building Futures

## Board Honors 88's Best, Outgoing Members/Officers and State/National Qualifiers

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 accomplishments in performing arts/elective areas.



**Pooja Shah** has gone above and beyond in the elective areas and earned success in academics at **Addison Trail**. Her strong commitment to challenging herself has led to taking a rigorous academic schedule with 9 Advanced Placement courses and a diverse offering of elective courses. Her excellence in the elective areas include four years of a world language, a symphonic band class and three years of Business Education.

As a leader outside the classroom as well, Pooja has been involved in Business Professionals of America, PBIS Student Advisory Team, Key Club, Student Mentoring, basketball, badminton and the National Honor Society.

Pooja will attend the University of Michigan in the fall. She plans on applying to the business school where she will study accounting.

**Jake Robertson** has exemplified success in the performing arts at **Willowbrook.** In addition to his extensive performing arts experience, Jake has taken a rigorous course load of both honors and AP classes and ranks in the top 3% of his class.

Jake has the unique experience of having appeared in all 12 threatre productions, most memorably as Captain Hook and most recently as Inspector Clouseau in "The Pink Panther Strikes Again!" Not only is Jake an outstanding actor, but he has also been a two-time finalist in the Illinois High School Association State Speech competition. He has demonstrated himself as a leader for underclassmen in the theatre as well as on the Improv Club and Speech team.

In the future, Jake plans to study International Relations or Political Science at Princeton. He also hopes to continue his involvement in the theatre program.



# Outgoing Board Member and Officer Recognition

Board of Education President Mark Johnson congratulates and thanks Olga Flores for her two years of dedicated service and leadership. Jim Luebker, who was not in attendance, was also recognized for his eight years of service.

Board Secretary Donna Craft Cain and Board Vice President Jay Irvin present **President Johnson** with a plaque in recognition of his leadership, commitment, vision and service as Board President from April 2003 - April 2011.





### District 88 Foundation Presentation of Funds





The Partnership for Inspired Education (PIE) Foundation was formed in 2009 by elementary School District 45, elementary Salt Creek School District 48 and DuPage High School District 88. As a 501(c)3 charitable organization, the PIE Foundation serves as the umbrella organization over the three school districts that have the autonomy to fundraise and allocate monies.

PIE Foundation Chairperson Donna Craft Cain and District 88 Foundation Chairperson Sharon Kucik presented checks to Addison Trail Principal Dr. Scott Helton (left) and Willowbrook Principal Mr. Dan Krause (right) totaling \$3,000 each. These first-ever donations will financially benefit student needs and programs that exceed the normal operating budget. The funds raised this year have been collected through generous donations from alumni, staff, parents, community members and local businesses.

#### RECOGNITION FOR STUDENTS WHO QUALIFIED FOR STATE AND NATIONAL COMPETITIONS:

- Addison Trail recognized students who qualified in:
  BPA, FCCLA, SkillsUSA, All National Honor Band and All National Jazz Ensemble
- Willowbrook recognized students who qualified in:
  BPA, FCCLA, SkillsUSA, Speech, Boy's Swimming and Wrestling

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS:**

- Assistant Principals Mr. Mike Bolden (AT) and Mr. Sam Bentsen (WB), along with PBIS Internal Coaches Erica Craig (AT) and Bryan Murphy (WB), presented behavior data and ongoing initiatives of Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) since it was introduced in the spring of 2007. "Blazer Pride" and "The Warrior Code" represent the school culture created by teaching student expectations. Multiple assemblies and videos throughout the year have helped to communicate expectations that are rewarded with incentives such as stamps, "swagg," Friday raffles and end-of-year cookouts. The PBIS leadership teams continue to review data, seek input from the students and serve as pioneers in implementing PBIS. Over 25 local and regional high schools have visited the campuses to learn about best practices district wide.
- Mrs. Jean Barbanente, Assistant Superintendent, presented the new textbook requests for 2011-2012 and discussed options like payment plans and purchasing used books online to assist families with the rising costs.
- A Freedom of Information request was received from Mr. Jim Vodak for natural gas utility bills. The requested information has been forwarded.

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

The List of Bills, Treasurer's and Budget Status Reports from March 2011; recommendation to accept purchase bids for paper, combination locks, P.E. uniforms, copy machines and technology equipment; personnel report as presented at the April 18, 2011 board meeting; fundraiser contract with anticipated revenue of \$1,000 or more; donations presented at the April 18, 2011 board meeting; 2011-2012 membership in the Illinois High School Association for AT and WB; amended school calendar for 2010-2011 school year; and ratification of the electric power contract.

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

- Recommendation to reject Summer BTF plumbing/work bid package #12 and masonry work/bid package #06.
- List of Bills to date for April 2011 in excess of \$5,000.
- Purchase of computer equipment for the AT/WB Special Education Depts. with ARRA Stimulus funding.
- Meeting minutes from the March 14, 2011, Regular Business Board meeting.
- Meeting minutes from the March 21, 2011, Educational Focus meeting.
- Meeting minutes from the March 21, 2011 Closed Session Board meeting.

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

- <u>Certified Staff Re-Hire</u>, effective the 2011-12 school year, for **Kathryn Wilson**, from WB English Teacher to WB Reading Teacher.
- <u>Certified Staff Change of Status</u>, effective the 2011-12 school year, for **Michael Phillips**, from AT to WB Special Education Teacher.
- <u>Certified Staff Unpaid Personal Leave of Absence</u>, effective the 2011-12 school year, for Maria Salvatore, AT Learning Support Center Teacher.
- Buildings & Grounds Staff Termination for Jason Hardy, AT Custodian.

#### SCHOOL RECOGNITION:

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

- Congratulations to the Science Olympiad team for placing 5<sup>th</sup> out of 22 teams in the State competition.
- The Boys Volleyball Team is sponsoring "Kills for a Cure" to help raise funds for the American Cancer Society.
- Upcoming events include: PSAE/ACT exams, Orchesis Show, AP exams and Plant Sale.

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

- Congratulations to track and field athlete Cherise Porter for being named the Trib Local Athlete of the Month.
- Teams of students and staff will be participating in the annual Prairie Path Clean-Up service project.
- Upcoming events include: PSAE/ACT exams, Civitas Induction, AP exams, Freshmen Awards and Orchesis.

#### Mark Your Calendars:

April 28, 2011	6:00 p.m.	Board of Education, Re-Organizational Meeting	District Boardroom
May 16, 2011	7:30 p.m.	Board of Education, Regular Business Meeting	District Boardroom
May 23, 2011	7:30 p.m.	Board of Education, Educational Focus Meeting	District Boardroom