

Monday, December 19, 2016
Regular Business/Educational Focus
Board Of Education Meeting

◇ **Recognition of District 88 Successes**

88's Best Students

88's Best Students Jonathan Loi from Addison Trail and Pierre Easley from Willowbrook were recognized for the month of December. The students were congratulated on their many accomplishments. The students thanked the Board, their teachers and their families for their support. As a token of their achievements, Jonathan and Pierre were given an 88's Best glass sculpture and a certificate to a local restaurant.

State Recognitions

Students from Addison Trail and Willowbrook were recognized for their state-level achievements for the fall season. Those students are: Nicholas D'Ambrose-IHSFCA Academic All-State & Honorable Mention All-State Football; Andrew Felix-IHSFCA Academic All-State Football; Robert Daniels-IHSFCA Academic All-State Football; Enrique Luna-Casillas-IHSSCA All-State Soccer; Tomasz Kania-Chicago Fire Soccer Club All-State All-Academic; Ryan Cabildo-ILMEA All-State Concert Band; Alexia Vargas-ILMEA All-State Chorus - Alto I; Victor Jaimes-Illinois Theater Festival All-State - Crew; Trevor Yurek-Illinois Theater Festival All-State - Pit Orchestra; Elissa Haake-IHSA All-State Swimming; Jack Jessen-IHSFCA All-State Football; Jonathan Kelso-IHSFCA Honorable Mention All-State Football; Khalif Copeland-IHSFCA Honorable Mention All-State Football; Luke Halloran-IHSFCA Academic All-State Football; Julia Cicero-ILMEA All-State Honors Chorus - Alto I; Emily Kreiman-ILMEA All-State Honors Chorus - Alto II; Kathleen Cicero-ILMEA All-State Chorus - Soprano II; David Stoffle-ILMEA All-State Chorus - Tenor I; Matthew Sulla-ILMEA All-State (ensemble and level to be determined). As a token of their achievements, these students were given a certificate. Congratulations!

◇ **Public Hearing on the 2016 Tax Levy**

The proposed tax levy for 2016 was reviewed during the October 31, 2016, and November 14, 2016, Board meetings. During the November 14, 2016, meeting, the Board adopted a resolution to establish the aggregate amount of taxes estimated to be levied for the year 2016 in the amount of \$54,031,186. That request represents a 4.9-percent increase, but we expect to receive an increase of about 1.0 percent based on the CPI at 0.7 percent and limited new-property growth. Because the value of total property and new property is unknown at this time, the district levied higher. No changes or updates were made since the proposed tax levy was approved in November. In compliance with the Truth in Taxation Law, a notice was published on December 7, 2016, that public comments would be heard at the December 19, 2016, meeting. The public hearing was opened during the December 19, 2016, Board meeting for Board members and audience members to ask questions and discuss the 2016 proposed tax levy.

◇ **Educational Focus Items**

Assistant Superintendent Mrs. Jean Barbanente and Director of Curriculum, Instruction & Assessment Mr. Adam Cibulka provided an overview of the results students will receive from the fall PSAT exam through CollegeBoard's Khan Academy. Superintendent Dr. Scott Helton reported the analytics will provide both the student and the district with important information such as strengths and where to improve.

Mr. Cibulka also shared the summer school programming for June 2017 has been revamped to assist with keeping students on track for graduation and providing opportunities for students to accelerate their learning and earn additional credits during the summer.

- ◇ **SEPARATE ACTION Items, which included the following, were approved by the Board:**
- ✦ Adoption of 2016 Tax Levy - Resolution Authorizing and Directing Tax Levy and Resolution Authorizing and Directing Certain Special-Purpose Tax Levies.
 - ✦ Financial Audit-Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2016.
 - ✦ List of Bills for November 2016.
 - ✦ List of Bills Exceeding \$5,000.00.
 - ✦ Treasurer's Report for November 2016.
 - ✦ Budget Status Report for November 2016.
 - ✦ Bank Resolution-Community Bank of Downers Grove.
 - ✦ Copier Replacement Lease.
 - ✦ Ratification of Electricity Service Purchasing Contract for 2018-2020.
 - ✦ Exterior Façade Condition Assessment Services Proposal.
 - ✦ Fundraisers Exceeding \$1,000.00: Addison Trail Theatre will host a "Split-the-Pot" at the *Grease* performance to raise money to buy the spring play set and costumes; Addison Trail Baseball Team will sell discount cards that may be used at local businesses; Addison Trail and Willowbrook Swim and Dive Team will host a Swim-a-Thon. Swimmers will swim laps based on the donation amount. Funds will help buy T-shirts, fast-skin suits and other accessories.
 - ✦ Revised Personnel Report
 - Classified Staff Appointments:
 - Chemica Clark, AT/WB Traveler 1:1 Nurse, effective January 9, 2017.
 - Kimberly Jackson-Petrella, Willowbrook Study Hall Teacher Aide, effective January 9, 2017.
 - Melanie Phillips, AT/WB Traveler 1:1 Nurse, effective November 28, 2016.
 - Classified Staff Unpaid Leave of Absence:
 - Lori LaBarbera, Vocational Teacher Aide, effective December 19-22, 2016.
 - Classified Staff Resignations:
 - Tara Brownlee, Addison Trail Literacy Teacher Aide, effective December 22, 2016.
 - Michael Napientek, Willowbrook Study Hall Teacher Aide, effective November 22, 2016.
 - Melanie Phillips, AT/WB Traveler 1:1 Nurse, effective November 29, 2016.
 - Michelle Quintos, Willowbrook Math Teacher Aide, effective December 23, 2016.
 - Classified Staff Retirement:
 - Rosanne Treccia, Addison Trail Building Assistant, effective at the end of the 2018-19 school year, at which time Rosanne will have completed 26 years of service with District 88.
 - ✦ Donations: The Knights of Columbus donated \$1,000 to the Life Transition Program-Perks & Possibilities; and Ms. Christine Pendleton, Director of Witt/Kieffer Community Fund made a monetary donation to The Lauren Kieffer Scholarship Fund at Willowbrook High School.
 - ✦ The following meeting minutes: November 1, 2016, Buildings & Grounds Committee meeting; November 7, 2016, Special Board meeting; November 14, 2016, Regular Business/Educational Focus Board meeting; and November 14, 2016, Closed Session Board meeting.

◇ **Information/Discussion Items****Freedom of Information Requests**

The following Freedom of Information requests were received and fulfilled:

A request from Mr. Jake Griffin, Daily Herald, for:

- 1) Reports, or documents sufficient to show, the results of any lead testing or any other contaminants done on the drinking water at district buildings, including what equipment was tested, the name and/or address of the testing location and any necessary follow-up remediation plans if necessary for 2015 and 2016 or the most recent test available.
- 2) Invoices, or documents sufficient to show, cost of drinking water quality testing at district facilities in 2015 and 2016 or the most recent available.

A request from Ms. Gabriella Lauricella, SmartProcure, for:

Any and all purchasing records from 09-06-2016 to current.

- 1) Purchase order number. If purchase orders are not used, a comparable substitute is acceptable, i.e. invoice, encumbrance, or check number
- 2) Purchase date
- 3) Line item details (Detailed description of the purchase)
- 4) Line item quantity
- 5) Line item price
- 6) Vendor ID number, name, address, contact person and their e-mail address
- 7) What is the beginning of your fiscal year?

Bond Refunding Results Series 2016

Chief Financial Officer Mr. Edward Hoster introduced Ms. Jennifer Currier from PMA, who shared the new Series 2016 bonds were sold to refund the Series 2007 and advance refund of the Series 2008 bonds for a total of \$73,070,000. The total gross savings is \$12,554,414, and on a net present value basis, the savings equates to \$10,593,867, which exceeded the target of \$10 million. The drop in debt service amounts to an estimated reduction of \$63 for a \$300,000 home in the 2016 tax year and \$33 a year in subsequent years until the bonds are paid off in 2028.

Credit Card Summary

Mr. Hoster reviewed the district's credit card use report for November 2016, as outlined in Board Policy 4:55 Use of Credit and Procurement Cards.

Post Issuance Tax Compliance Report

Mr. Hoster reported, as the Compliance Officer for debt issuance and compliance reporting, the district is in compliance with the applicable tax law requirements.

◇ **School Recognitions****Addison Trail**

- ✚ At the December Grads Breakfast, it was announced that 26 students will graduate early. Congratulations, and best of luck!
- ✚ Twenty-one teachers were nominated by students at the Blazer Golden Apple Breakfast that took place on December 14.
- ✚ The Illinois Student Assistance Commission awarded 34 students as Illinois State Scholars. A reception took place on December 9 to honor these students. Congratulations!
- ✚ Each department recognized and honored one student during the Student of First Semester Breakfast on December 6.

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- ✦ Eight students passed their ASE (Automotive Service Excellence) EPA Air Conditioning certification. Congratulations!
- ✦ “Pack the Place” took place on December 2. Thank you to the students and families who came out and supported our Girls and Boys Basketball teams as they took on the Morton Mustangs. The girls won their game, and the boys fell short.
- ✦ Course Information Night will take place on January 12.
- ✦ Young Alumni Day will take place on January 13, and we look forward to hearing about their accomplishments.

Willowbrook

- ✦ The Music Concert series took place during the first two weeks of December.
- ✦ On December 8, 10 students were recognized as Outstanding Students, and 40 students have been named as Illinois State Scholars.
- ✦ The Key Club and Student Council’s Warrior Project sponsored about 40 young people in the community for the holiday season.
- ✦ The Guidance Department recently met with the junior class regarding the PSAT results and setting up their Khan Academy test prep.
- ✦ Final exams begin December 20.
- ✦ Classes resume on January 9, 2017.
- ✦ Curriculum Showcase will take place on January 12, including a Meet the Coaches Night.

◇ **Action Necessitated by Closed Session**

- ✦ Adoption of the Resolution of Closed Session Meeting Minutes.
- ✦ Approval of School Psychologist Positions for 2017-18.

Board Of Education Meeting Dates

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

Monday, January 23, 2017: Regular Business Board Meeting

Monday, January 30, 2017: Educational Focus Board Meeting

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