

# BOARD-O-GRAM

Regular Business Meeting of September 17, 2007



## *Graduation Ceremony Honors Student Achievement*

At the beginning of the Board of Education meeting, **10 candidates were accepted for August Graduation.** The event honored all students who completed the requirements for graduation since the June 2007 ceremony. The list of graduates included:

### Addison Trail

Jose Armenta  
Alberto Espinosa  
Angel C. Flores  
Rogaciano Lopez  
Angelica Mares  
Erin A. Stearns

### Willowbrook

Bianca Bolivar  
Blair Ondrla  
Louis Scott  
Randall Wiggins

**Willowbrook students  
Randall Wiggins and  
Bianca Bolivar, the only  
students participating,  
were commended for  
their perseverance in  
attaining the credits  
needed for graduation.**



## **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

- **A public hearing regarding the tentative Budget for 2007-2008** was held. The notice of this hearing was published in the Addison Press and the Villa Park Argus as required by the school code.
- **A public hearing regarding the Driver Education Waiver for 2007-2008** was held. The current Driver Education Waiver expires at the conclusion of the 2007-2008 school year. The school code's \$50 fee limitation does not recognize the costs associated with District 88's two-phase Driver Education program. Therefore, DuPage High School District 88 will submit a renewal of this five-year waiver.

## **PERSONNEL ACTIONS DISCUSSED FOR FUTURE ACTION:**

- **Certified Staff Appointments** for **Megan Terpstra**, WB Part Time Literacy Center Teacher (5/11ths) and **Megan Musser**, WB Part Time Social Studies and Part Time Literacy Center Teacher.
- **Classified Staff Resignations** for **Ardeanna Ferguson**, WB Special Education Teacher Aide; **Marta Radziszewski**, WB Literacy Reading Teacher Aide and **Jason Avelar**, WB Special Education Teacher Aide.
- **Classified Staff Appointments** for **Megan Terpstra**, WB Part Time Literacy Center Teacher Aide; **Kelly Garinger**, AT Writing Center Teacher Aide; **Francesca Terracciano**, AT Part Time Student Supervisor; **Josef Mathews**, WB Literacy Teacher Aide; **Debbie Klco**, AT Nurse Assistant; **Lionel Williams**, AT SED Teacher Aide; **Micaela Soto**, WB ESL Teacher Aide; **Anthony LoCoco**, WB Special Education Teacher Aide; **Anila Meleqi**, WB Part Time Special Education One on One Aide; **Rose Middleton**, AT Part Time LSC Teacher Aide; **Jason Nowaczyk**, WB ESL Teacher Aide; **Scott Thesen**, WB Special Education Teacher Aide; **Shannon Walker**, WB Reading Teacher Aide; **Maria Bazaldua**, WB Attendance Secretary; **Roberta Williams**; AT Part Time GOAL Program Teacher Aide and **Kelly Fachini**, WB Literacy Teacher Aide.

## **DISCUSSED FOR FUTURE ACTION:**

- The **list of bills and treasurer's report** from August 2007 with the exception of check #437595 to Sharon and Tom Kucik.
- The **August Budget Status Report** will be distributed in October 2007.
- **Recommendation of fundraiser contracts** with anticipated revenue of \$1,000 or more.
- **Recommendation to appoint Debbie Delawder, Dan McAleese and Nancy McAleese** to the Addison Trail Citizen's Advisory Council
- **Donation of a Service Bay Diagnostic System to the Willowbrook High School Automotive Program** from Mr. Daniel Kaiser of Fair Oaks Ford.
- Review of **Revised and Amended Board Policies 4:140, 4:150, 4:160 and 4:170.**

**SEPARATE ACTION ITEMS** approved by the Board:

- The Board of Education adopted a tentative budget for 2007-08 at the June 25, 2007 meeting. **It is recommended that the budget presented at the Public Hearing on September 17, 2007, be adopted.**

**Mr. Michael Welch**, Assistant Superintendent for Operations, presented the budget figures for each operating fund. The district has once again met the requirements of Public Act 94-0234, which requires school districts to adopt a balanced budget.

- The submission of the **Driver Education Waiver** to the Illinois State Board of Education.
- **A resolution of a \$5,600,000 permanent partial abatement** of the Working Cash Fund to the Operation & Maintenance Fund, and then a \$6,480,000 (\$5,600,000 plus \$880,000) permanent transfer from the Operations & Maintenance Fund to the Site & Construction Fund to partially fund the cost of construction for the BTF projects.
- The **2007-2008 Application for Recognition of Schools** for Addison Trail and Willowbrook High Schools. This report verifies that the schools are in compliance with the School Code and the State Board of Education Rules.
- **Ratification of the August 2007 graduates** from Addison Trail and Willowbrook who have completed the necessary requirements for graduation since the June 2007 ceremony.

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

- **Educational Focus Items** including recognition of 88’s Best, the introduction of new teachers and staff and summer school data and interventions were previewed for September 24.
- **Dr. Steve Humphrey, Superintendent of Schools, commented on the tremendous opening of the 2007-08 school year.** The faculty and staff have been positive about the implementation of the “ATHS Attitude” and “Warrior Code” as well as the new safety and security measures. The district welcomed many new staff members who are excited to be here and student focused. “Building The Future” continues to be an important process with planning and dialogue that will contribute to the final designs. Throughout the year, the schools will review improvement plans and staff development efforts to help improve student achievement. Finally, Dr. Humphrey congratulated AT for making AYP and thanked the Board for supporting new initiatives.

**SCHOOL RECOGNITION:**

**Addison Trail Assistant Principal Mrs. Jan Constien** highlighted recent events and recognition:

- Best wishes to Principal Scott Helton who will be defending his dissertation at the University of Illinois on September 18, 2007.
- Open House was well attended and a positive evening for parents who participated.
- The freshmen houses will be attending a team building course at Redmond Park and be visiting and touring the University of Wisconsin.
- Upcoming events include: Homecoming, Honors Assembly and Student Leadership Training in Lake Geneva.

**Willowbrook Assistant Principal Dr. Jeff Dietrich** highlighted recent events and recognition:

- The Homecoming game was very well attended and 1,200 students participated in the Homecoming dance. The senior class defeated the administration in the obstacle course during the Homecoming pep rally.
- Turnout at Open House was large and parents offered positive feedback about returning to classroom schedules.
- Students have demonstrated enthusiastic adherence to the Warrior Code and improved classroom attendance.
- Upcoming events include: Senior Parent Night and Band-O-Rama

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**Mark Your Calendars:**

September 24, 2007	7:30 p.m.	Board of Education, Educational Focus Meeting	District Boardroom
October 21, 2007	7:30 p.m.	Board of Education, Regular Business Meeting	District Boardroom