

BOARD-O-GRAM Educational Focus Meeting August 30, 2010

Building Futures

# School Improvement Process Continues Year-Round with Summer School, Curriculum Work and Staff Development

### **EDUCATIONAL FOCUS ITEMS:**

- Mrs. Jean Barbanente, Assistant Superintendent, presented an overview of the ongoing School Improvement Process which includes focus in the areas of: curriculum, assessment, instructional strategies, behavior intervention and social emotional learning.
- Principals Dr. Scott Helton and Mr. Dan Krause provided summaries of PSAE assessment data from 2009-2010 for Addison Trail and Willowbrook High Schools, respectively. Although both schools were disappointed to not achieve Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) by having 77.5% of students meeting or exceeding standards in Reading and Math for No Child Left Behind (NCLB), the results reflect an impressive 98% graduation rate and an increase in students prepared to take the exam junior year. District 88 holds high expectations for all students and specific interventions are helping students gain the skills they need for success.
- The 2010 Summer School program experienced success with freshman interventions that targeted specific skills and raised achievement for students below grade level in reading and math. Credit Recovery, ESL Reading, Speech and Geometry sessions were offered for sophomores, juniors and seniors.
- District wide summer curriculum work focused extensively on the Reading Department Curriculum, Response
  to Intervention (RtI) and the implementation of Mastery Manager Software to warehouse data from common
  assessments.
- District 88 recently participated in extensive Illinois State Board of Education audits of External Assurance and Special Education. The audits involved on-site visits and required preparation of documentation in such areas as Transportation, Title I, Title II and Title III.

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

■ The list of bills from June and July 2010; the treasurer's report from June and July 2010; a fundraiser contract with anticipated revenue of \$1,000 or more; the personnel report as presented at the August 23, 2010 board meeting and a donation of an electric wheelchair from the Elmhurst American Legion.

## **DISCUSION ITEMS REQUIRING ACTION:** the following items were <u>approved</u> by the Board

- Payment of checks #469145 to David Cain, Jr., #470816 to Mr. Thomas Edmier, #469969 and #470004 to Tom and Sharon Kucik.
- BTF Contractors payment #25.
- Meeting minutes from the June 21, 2010 Technology Committee meeting.
- **Meeting minutes** from the June 21, 2010 Regular Business meeting.
- **Closed session minutes** from the June 21, 2010 Board meeting.
- Meeting minutes from the June 24, 2010 Special Board meeting.
- **Meeting minutes** from the June 18, 2010 Educational Focus meeting.
- Meeting minutes from the July 7, 2010 Board Officers meeting.
- Meeting minutes from the July 29, 2010 Special Board meeting.

### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

• Mr. Bruce Martin, Chief Financial Officer, presented the Budget Status Report, reflecting the unaudited results for the 2009-2010 fiscal year. The actual revenue versus expenditure deficit in the Education Fund was greater due to delays in state aid, property tax receipts and lower fee collections. The total operating fund deficits would have been reduced if General State Aid payments were received on-schedule.

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

- <u>Classified Staff Appointment</u> for **Jean Tuzak**, AT Registered Nurse.
- <u>Classified Staff Re-Hires</u> for **Jaime Engel**, WB Part-Time Special Education Teacher Aide; and **Christine King**,
   WB I&T Part-Time Teacher Aide.
- <u>Classified Staff Resignations</u> for **Dan Daly**, WB Special Education Teacher Aide; and **Katrina Liller**, WB Math Department Teacher Aide.

## **SCHOOL RECOGNITION:**

Addison Trail Principal Dr. Scott Helton highlighted events that helped launch the school year:

- Individual sports teams hosted Code of Conduct meetings for students participating in athletics.
- The AT Booster Leaders participated in a planning meeting to set common goals for the year, review the calendar of activities and brainstorm ways to work together.
- Upcoming events include: First day of school, joint C.A.C. meeting, first home football game and Open House.

## Willowbrook Principal Mr. Dan Krause highlighted events that helped launch the school year:

- Class of 2014 students and their parents participated in a freshman orientation meeting, which involved meeting cohort teachers and tours of the newly renovated building.
- Faculty members are scheduled to host upcoming "Warrior Code" student assemblies by grade level and communicate behavior and academic expectations.
- Upcoming events include: First day of school, joint C.A.C. meeting and Open House.

#### Mark Your Calendars:

September 16, 2010	6:30 p.m.	Special Board of Education Meeting, Vision Project	District Boardroom
September 20, 2010	7:30 p.m.	Board of Education, Regular Business Meeting	District Boardroom
September 27, 2010	7:30 p.m.	Board of Education, Educational Focus Meeting	District Boardroom
October 17, 2010	1:00 p.m.	Building The Future Dedication Celebration	Addison Trail
October 17, 2010	4:00 p.m.	Building The Future Dedication Celebration	Willowbrook