

## BOARD BRIEFS

REGULAR BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING—October 23, 2014 7:00 P.M.

### **Action Items:**

The Board accepted/approved the following items:

- Minutes from: Regular Board Meeting on September 25, 2014
- All October Finance Reports that included-
  - Accounts payable
  - Bill List
  - Treasurer's Report
  - Fund Balance Report
  - Bank Reconciliation
- Approved Contract for Doug Gallois, Director of Business Services
- FOIA Request-IEA-NEA
- Recognized Donations from Exchange Club of West DuPage and Gwynne Kell
- Approved first reading of policies: 2:20, 4:60, 4:90, 5:260, 5:330, 7:20, 7:180, 7:240, 2:40, 2:50, 2:60, 2:80, 2:240, 4:40, 4:55, 5:310, 7:170, and 7:200.

### **Public Comment:**

Board President Brown stated that the Board will put the issue of Kindergarten sections and the decision to stay with one or open a second class on the November agenda. The Board of Education will be weighing in on parent concerns along with classroom input and financial impacts.

Two parents, Dan Nagle and Jennie Fleming addressed the Board, urging that they consider adding a second section to the Kindergarten class this school year.

### **Presentations:**

- A. Student Recognition- Maggie Culver and Gabe Chase- They were honored by the Board of Education and presented certificates as Students of the Month for October.
- B. Student Presentation-Mrs. Angelacos' 3rd grade class- The third graders gave an overview of their classroom economy unit which incorporates many valuable life-lessons including the job application process and how they are able earn and lose money.
- C. Presentation FY14 Student Performance-Dawn Reinke, Principal-  
Dawn Reinke gave a comprehensive overview of assessments through illustrations of charts and graphs comparing the scores of individual assessments and learning standards over the past few years.

### **Reports:**

#### **From the Superintendent-**

1. Legislative-UPDATE-Dr. Kell gave an update from the IASA (Illinois Association of School

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Administrators' legal session with additional information about SB16 and SB1.

2. Board Retreat Options-DISCUSSION- Dr. Kell spoke about the importance of a Board retreat this summer of 2015, especially because we would potentially have a few new Board members. She reviewed various options available, and suggested that they might consider incorporating Board bonding after a short June Board meeting, then a full day in the summer to go through in detail the newly drafted strategic plan.
3. Strategic Planning –DISCUSSION- The Board reviewed the Strategic Planning process and discussed the SWOT analysis in detail, allowing each member to give their thoughts and input on the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats.
4. American Education Week-INFORMATION ITEM-November 15<sup>th</sup> is School Board Member's Day, and American Education Week is the week of November 17<sup>th</sup>. The Board is encouraged to attend the Parent Visitation Day on Thursday, November 20<sup>th</sup>.

## **From the Principal-**

1. Safety Drill Update-We continue our unannounced drills. In November, we will have our third fire drill, a tornado drill, and a bus evacuation drill. That will be the conclusion of the mandatory emergency drills.
2. Safety Fair on October 20, 2014- Was a big success and 110 people were in attendance. Members of the fire, police, health departments, and railroad sat on a panel discussion.

## **From the Director of Business Services-**

None

## **From the Winfield Education Foundation-**

Winfield Education Foundation Report- Donna Bartlett reported that District 34, 25, and 33 foundation presidents are planning to meet in the next few weeks.

## **Old Business-**

None

## **New Business-**

1. Items For Future Agendas-The kindergarten class size item will be added to the November agenda for discussion only, and voting on it in December, with any potential changes taking effect in January after winter break.
- B. Approved First Reading of Policies-2:20, 4:60, 4:90, 5:260, 5:330, 7:20, 7:180, 7:240, 2:40, 2:50, 2:60, 2:80, 2:240, 4:40, 4:55, 5:310, 7:170, and 7:200.

**The next meeting of the Board will be November 13, 2014, Regular Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Central School Commons.**