

Summit Hill School District 161

20100 South Spruce Drive
Frankfort, Illinois 60423

Board Briefs

A Summary of the Actions of the Board of Education
At the
District Office Board Room
August 13, 2008

Sale of Property at 21133 S. 80th Avenue

Mr. Pain requested that the Board granted the superintendent authorization to execute any and all documents to complete the transaction in an expeditious manner for the sale of the District Office. There was an auction of this property on August 7th.

Resignation of Staff

The Board of Education accepted the letters of resignation from: teachers Traci Ethridge, Marian Walles as school nurse, Deb Ebert as a classroom paraprofessional, Linda Grafors as a paraprofessional, SueAnn Del Vicario as a pre-kindergarten aide, Bev Conterio as a learning center aide, Jennifer Vola as a paraprofessional, Cathy Morrissey as a paraprofessional, and Colleen Medina as a lunchroom supervisor

Employment of Staff

The Board of Education employed: Xochitl Esparza, Deb Ebert, Kristen Duesdieker as Learning Center Aides, Jean Dammer, and Patricia Dauer as Lunchroom Supervisors, Colleen Medina, Kathy Jamroz, Robin Millner, Melissa Ricker, Kim Peterson, Joanne Pappas, Stephanie Spellman, and Ann Spadoni as paraprofessional aides Beth Shimkus as a pre kindergarten classroom aide, Rod Guerreo and Gary Ingram as custodians and Lisa Harper as a school secretary, Lucy Perz, teaching school nurse, Sandra Schlesselman, Diane Crnich, Linda O'Dell, Jennifer Arrivo, Brooke Roach, Nicole Chinski, Kaaren Bailey, and Jeannie Loichinger as teachers,

Acceptance of Check from Frankfort Township Commissioner

The Board of Education accepted with appreciation a check from the Frankfort Township in the amount of \$409,844. As part of the project at Summit Hill Jr. High School and for the benefit of the taxpayers, the District worked cooperatively with the Frankfort Township Commissioner for road improvements on North Avenue

Authorization for 2008-2009 Ivy League Contract

The Board of Education approved a contract with Ivy League for after-school services for the 2008-2009 school year. Ivy League provides an after-school service to Summit Hill schools. Service this year will be reinstated at Frankfort Square School due to enrollment needs and also added to Mary Drew School.

Acceptance of Board Goals for 2008 – 2011

The School Board adopted the following Goals for the period of 2008-2011:

1. To develop an aligned and engaging curriculum, instruction, and assessment that encompasses researched-based practices and guides District 161 programs.
2. To develop and to provide additional curricular and extracurricular opportunities that will allow all students to achieve their full potential.
3. To provide our staff with professional development opportunities that will enhance our educational environment.
4. To enhance and to improve communication with all stakeholders.
5. To manage all finances in a fiscally responsible manner. ”

First Reading of Board Policies

The Board approved the first reading of Board Policies 2:105, 2:120, 4:20, 4:50, 4:55, 4:80, 4:90, 4:170, and 6:20. The Policy Committee met on August 4th to discuss various Board policies that were suggested for changes by the IASB.

Enrollment Report and Registration Update

Mr. Pain reported that enrollment of students in district schools is progressing well with approximately 3,696 students enrolled and approximately 52 students still not registered from the end of the school year.

Architectural Resource Corporation Construction Update

Jim Clumpner, a representative the construction firm for the District reported on the progress that is being made with construction in the district.

Student Transportation Update

Mr. Gerdes gave a report to the Board of the status of the transportation of students to classes in the District.

Beginning of School Activities

Mr. Pain gave an overview of the activities that will begin the school year.

Curriculum Parent Guides

Ms. Schiro presented an overview of the parent curriculum guides that the District has in place on the website.

Enhancement of District Online Resources

Mrs. Rains provided information and an overview of the District's online resources that are being planned and initiated within the District to improve the hiring process as well as staff resources and procedures.

Targeting Achievement Through Governance

Mr. Doyle and Mr. Pain discussed information relative to the possibility of accepting an offer for a free workshop from the Illinois Association of School Boards.

Frankfort Township Meeting Report

Mr. Macek gave a report to the Board regarding the meeting of the Frankfort Township Planning Commission that was held on August 6th

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