

# Summit Hill School District #161

20100 South Spruce Drive  
Frankfort, Illinois

## Board Briefs

A Summary of the Actions of the Board of Education

At the

September 10, 2008

Board of Education Meeting  
Media Information

### **Staff Recognition**

The Board of Education recognized staff members who had accomplished academic and/or personal accomplishments in the last year. Summit Hill Jr. High Science Teacher Sandra Schlesselman was recognized for publishing a journal article in Biochemistry. Thirteen staff members recently completed their Master's Degree Programs. Staff members are: Kelly Beazley, Stacey Froeschle, Shannon McDonald and Donna Wojcik from Arbury Hills School, Manel Salah from Mary Drew School, Christine Turk from Dr. Julian Rogus Full Day Kindergarten, Aimee Cimaroli, Tammy Johnson, and Dawn Krueger from Hilda Walker Intermediate School, Melissa Farrell from Indian Trail School and Kim Capretz, Ryan McGuckin and Cheryl Michals from Summit Hill Junior High School. Barb Rains, Director of Human Resources and Public Relations was recognized for earning national certification as a Professional in Human Resources.

### **Parent Fundraising**

The Board of Education discussed an organization wishing to possibly utilize a "Texas Hold'em" type of tournament and agreed that they do not wish to pursue this activity at this time.

### **Resignation of Staff**

The Board of Education accepted the resignations of Hilda Walker Clerical Aide, Kathryn Mitchell and Summit Hill Junior High School Paraprofessional, Lisa LaMorte.

### **Request for Family Medical Leave**

The Board of Education granted the request of teachers Alexandra Letsos, Jason Collins and Melissa Aleo for family medical leaves of absence.

### **Employment of Staff**

The Board of Education employed Katie Herman as a full time Teacher, Judy Radusewicz, April Bernico, Susan Eisenbrandt and Angela Turano as Paraprofessionals, Edward Johnstone and Scott Cancialosi as part time Custodians, Denise O'Donnell as a Substitute Clerk/Secretary, and Sylvia Kemp and Diane Vainauskas as a Registered Nurses.

### **Budget Hearing for 2008-09**

The Board of Education opened a hearing for the 2008-2009 Budget, affording the public the opportunity to make comments.

### **Adoption of FY09 Budget**

The Board of Education adopted the Fiscal Year 2009 Budget. This budget contains an estimate of amounts available in each fund, separately, and of the expenditures from each fund for the school district for the fiscal year.

### **Authorization to Sign Applications for Occupancy Permits for Jr. High Storage and Indian Trail Addition**

The Board of Education authorized the President and the Superintendent to sign the Applications for Occupancy Permits for the Summit Hill Junior High School storage facility and the Indian Trail Addition.

### **Administrative Salaries**

The Board of Education set the salaries for the administrative compensation for the 2008-2009 school year.

### **Application for Recognition of Schools**

The Board of Education approved the 2008-2009 Application for Recognition of Schools for the Arbury Hills School, Mary Drew Elementary School, Frankfort Square School, Dr. Julian Rogus School, Indian Trail School, Hilda Walker Intermediate School and the Summit Hill Junior High School. Each year the Board of Education must apply to the Illinois State Board of Education for the recognition of each school in the district.

### **Developer Fees**

The Board of Education was informed that the administration is currently studying the area of developer fees in the district and in the surrounding districts to determine if the district should pursue new agreements or if an amendment would be possible. We would simply like to inform the Board that we are now studying this area.

### **Authorization to Expend Funds on Joint Project**

The Board of Education authorized the expenditure of funds not to exceed \$7,500 for the completion of a picnic pavilion at the Mary Drew School in partnership with the Frankfort Square Park District. The completion of the picnic pavilion area at the Mary Drew School will cause the school-park area at the school to have a greater use for both the students and the community. The Park District has already received a partial grant for this project.

### **Acceptance of Superintendent Goals**

The Board of Education approved the goals of the Superintendent for the period of July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2011.

### **Enrollment Report**

Mr. Pain stated that there are currently 3,706 students enrolled in Summit Hill Schools.

### **PreSchool for All Class Update**

Mr. Pain provided an update and discussed the progress that has been made in the initiation of the PreSchool for All class that is being scheduled to begin on September 29, 2008.

### **Lincoln-Way Area Legislative Council Meeting**

Mr. Pain and members of the Board discussed the meeting of the Lincoln-Way Area Legislative Council meeting that they attended on Tuesday, September 9th, and provided information to those in attendance.

### **District Excellence Team and District Improvement Team Process**

Mr. Pain reviewed the process utilized with both teams and was instructed to proceed once again with both the District Excellence Team and the District Improvement Teams for 2008-2009.

### **Bright Star Award**

Mr. Pain announced that the District has received the Bright Star Award of Excellence for the 13<sup>th</sup> year.

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