

# **Summit Hill District 161**

Wednesday, April 16, 2014

7:00 PM

Administration Office Board Room

## **Regular Meeting Agenda**

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance by Board President, Sean William Doyle
2. Roll Call by Secretary, David Faber
3. Information and Proposals
  - A. Freedom of Information Act
  - B. Public Comments
  - C. Letters and Communications
4. Action Items
  - A. Consent Agenda
    1. Approval of Minutes
      - a. Regular Session Meeting Minutes of April 2, 2014
      - b. Closed Session Meeting Minutes of April 2, 2014
    2. Approval of Resignation of Staff
    3. Approval to Rescind Retirement Letter/Earlier Effective Date
    4. Approval of Family Medical Leave
    5. Employment of Staff
    6. Approval of Bill List of April 16, 2014
  - B. Old Business
    1. Committee Reports
      - a. Superintendent's Advisory Committee
  - C. New Business
    1. Hearing for 2013-14 (FY14) Amended Budget (7:00 PM)
    2. Adoption of 2013-2014 (FY 14) Amended Budget
    3. Approval of Job Descriptions (Senate Bill 7)
    4. Approval of Retirement of Staff
    5. Authorization to Bid Cleaning Contract
    6. Authorization to go out for Bid on Roof Warranties at Arbury Hills, Indian Trail and the District Administrative Center
5. President's Comments
6. Superintendent and Staff Report
  - A. Enrollment Report, Kindergarten Update and Proof of Residency Update

- B. Summer Program Enrollments for Camps and Athletics
- C. Update on Changes Concerning State Aid
- D. Vision for Technology Presentation
- E. Personnel Matters (Closed Session)
- 7. Information and Questions from Board Members
  - A. Board Member Comments
- 8. Public Comments
- 9. Future Meeting Dates
  - A. April 30, 2014 Policy Committee Meeting Administration Center, 6 PM
  - B. April 30, 2014 Special Meeting Administrative Center 7 PM
  - C. May 14, 2014 Administrative Center, 7 PM
  - D. May 28, 2014 Administration Center, 7 PM
- 10. Adjournment

District 161  
Board of Education

# Goals

2013  
2014

Board goals  
set the vision  
for student  
learning and  
articulate  
beliefs about  
students and  
learning.

These goals  
serve as the  
foundation for  
District goals  
and direction  
for school  
improvement.

"What the best and wisest  
parents want for their own  
child, that must the community  
want for all its children."

John Dewey  
Educational Philosopher

Goal

1

## Improve student achievement

by developing and implementing a challenging curriculum.

District 161 will enhance academic, social, and emotional resources for students through program initiatives, use of data, and staff training.

### KEY STRATEGIES:

- Repack E/LA common core standards in grades K-8.
- Unpack and repack Math common core standards in grades K-8.
- Monitor Early Learning Program.
- Review Honors Program.
- Use technology productively to maximize student achievement.
- Implement Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (MTSS) process.

### PROGRESS TARGETS:

Gr. 1 Standards Based Report Card • English/LA technology integration • Writing rubrics • Curricular mapping/progressions

Goal

2

## Ensure a safe, inspiring, and welcoming environment

for students, staff, parents, and community members.

District 161 will ensure that schools are safe and positive places to learn and work by implementing initiatives expanding school security, easing transitions between schools for families, and improving the learning culture.

### KEY STRATEGIES:

- Promote a positive school culture through recognition, appreciation, and celebration.
- Maintain programming on anti-bullying and character education.
- Promote wellness/physical fitness in the learning culture.

### PROGRESS TARGETS:

Chain of Command • PBIS • Safe Schools Program • Districtwide Run/Walk for Fun • Learning Readiness/PE

Goal

3

## Strengthen communications & connections

by establishing a communications program that directly helps the District achieve its goals.

District 161 will promote and empower a collaborative culture by engaging stakeholders in the decision making process.

### KEY STRATEGIES:

- Develop partnerships with the community that support student achievement.
- Develop opportunities for community involvement in district planning.
- Maintain transparent, open communication about the quality of District schools.

### PROGRESS TARGETS:

Shareholders Report to Community • District dash board • Friends of the District e-mail network • Public Boardbook • Superintendent Advisory

Goal

4

## Maximize time, talent, and finances

by aligning these resources to the mission and goals of the District.

District 161 will engage stakeholders in collecting, analyzing, reporting, and acting on data to ensure efficient and effective use of our time, human, and financial resources.

### KEY STRATEGIES:

- Develop 5-year building utilization plan.
- Analyze District fee structure.
- Analyze the insurance program.
- Research bond refunding programs.

### PROGRESS TARGETS:

Superintendent Financial Advisory • Business Office training • Employee handbooks • Debt recovery program pilot