

Summit Hill District 161

Tuesday, April 30, 2013

7:00 PM

Administration Office Board Room

20100 South Spruce Drive

Frankfort, Illinois

Special Meeting Agenda

1. Call to Order by President Pro Tem
2. Roll Call by Secretary Pro Tem
3. Information and Proposals
 - A. Public Comments
 - B. Review of School Board Member Election Results of April 9, 2013
 - C. Welcome and Seat New Board Members
4. Action Items
 - A. Oath of Office
 - B. Election of Officers
 - C. Adoption of Board Policies and Rules
 - D. Appointment of Board Members
 1. District 843 Representative and Alternate
 2. Frankfort Township Planning Commission Representative and Alternate
 3. Summit Hill Educational Foundation Liason
 4. IASB (Illinois Association of School Boards) Governing Board Representative
 5. Other Appointments
 - E. Determination of Dates and Times for Regular Board Meetings
 - F. Set New Board Member Orientation Date
5. New Business
 - A. Board Appointment of School District Treasurer
 - B. Mandatory Board Member Training
 - C. Board Self Evaluation/Team Building Workshop
6. President's Comments
7. Superintendent and Staff Report
 - A. Personnel and Negotiation Matters (Closed Session)
8. Information and Questions from Board Members
 - A. Board Member Comments
9. Public Comments

10. Future Meeting Dates

- A. May 8, 2013 Administration Center, 7 PM
- B. May 22, 2013 Administration Center, 7 PM
- C. June 12, 2013 Administration Center, 7:00 P.M.

11. Adjournment

District 161
Board of Education

Goals

2012
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:

- Unpack E/LA common core standards in grades K-8
- Unpack Math common core standards in grades 7 & 8.
- Implement student wellness initiatives.
- Use technology productively to maximize student achievement.

PROGRESS TARGETS:

Standardized Lesson Plans • Standardized Classroom Walk Throughs • Districtwide Run/Walk for Fun • Movement Education • Superintendent Advisory-Technology • Superintendent Advisory-Student Wellness • Summer Bridge Program • Health Curriculum alignment with LWN

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 building transition opportunities.
- Increase programming on anti-bullying and character education.

PROGRESS TARGETS:

Chain of Command • Climate Surveys • PBIS • Curriculum/Expectation Nights • School-Based Morale Building activities • LWN Positive Decisionmaking Series • Bus Driver PBIS Initiative

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:

- Increase visibility in schools and at district events.
- Monitor stakeholder issues and perceptions.
- Develop partnerships with the community that support student achievement.

PROGRESS TARGETS:

Parent News Briefs • Common Core Parent Communication • Shareholders Report to Community • LWN Student Survey • Building Parent PR Liaisons • Positive Staff Relations • Parent Volunteer celebrations • Strengthen Board Communication

Goal 4

Maximize time, talent & 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:

- Negotiate a new teacher contract.
- Review of District contracts.
- Maintain oversight of residency investigations.

PROGRESS TARGETS:

Superintendent Advisory - Finances • Principal Evaluation Instrument • Staff/Community Involvement in Principal Hiring Process • Residency • Grant Writing