

Summit Hill District 161

Wednesday, August 28, 2013

7:00 PM

Administration Office Board Room

20100 South Spruce Drive
Frankfort, Illinois

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. Letters and Communications
 - B. Freedom of Information Act
 - C. Recognition of Staff
4. Public Comments
5. Action Items
 - A. Consent Agenda
 1. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Regular Session Minutes of August 14, 2013
 - b. Closed Session Meeting Minutes of August 14, 2013
 2. Approval of July Financial Report/Treasurer's Report
 3. Approval of Resignation of Staff
 4. Approval of Family Medical Leave
 5. Approval of Employment
 - B. Old Business
 1. Approval of Board Goals
 2. Board Policy Manual Review - Sections 3 & 4
 - C. New Business
 1. Resolution of Funds Transfer
 2. Approval of Application of Recognition of Schools
 3. IASB Three Rivers Division Fall Dinner Meeting
6. President's Comments
7. Superintendent and Staff Report
 - A. Enrollment Report and Registration Update
 - B. Opening Day
 - C. Preliminary 2013-2014 Budget Presentation

D. Personnel and Negotiation Matters (Closed Session)

8. Information and Questions from Board Members

A. Lincoln Way District 843 Meeting Report

B. Board Comments

9. Public Comments

10. Future Meeting Dates

A. September 11, 2013 Administration Center 7 PM

B. September 25, 2013 Administration Center 7:00 PM

C. October 9, 2013, Administration Center, 7:00 P.M.

D. October 23, 2013 Administration Center 7 PM

11. 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