



April 29, 2015 meeting

## Summit Hill District 161 Board Briefs

*Serving 3,276 students living in portions of Tinley Park, Mokena, and Frankfort*

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### **Board of Education welcomes new members, reorganizes**

Following the review of the April 7, 2015 School Board Member election results, Stacey Borgens received congratulations on her re-election to the Board, and Patricia Martin and George Leonard were welcomed as new Board Members. Afterwards, Rich Marron was named Board President, Mrs. Borgens was named Vice President, and David Faber was named Board Secretary. Board members were administered the Oath of Office and adopted the Board policies. Additionally, Board President Marron appointed Pam Kohlbacher to continue as the Special Education District 843 representative and Rich Ward to continue as the Board's PERA committee liaison.

### **SHJH teachers highlight technology integration, action lab at the April 29 Board Meeting**

SHJH Teachers Jack Mecher and Lisa Carlson presented a brief overview of the use of technology in junior high classrooms. Mr. Mecher and his students focused on the Action Lab and our STEM-based modules. Ms. Carlson and her students presented one of the many projects that have been incorporated into the curriculum.

### **In personnel matters, the Board**

- approved the employment of Dana Porreca, Kindergarten teacher;
- approved the employment of Mary Hamm, ESY Certified Occupational Therapist Assistant;
- approved the employment of Ann Baud, ESY paraprofessional
- approved the employment of Lindsay Clock, ESY Speech Pathologist;
- approved the employment of Debbie Koren, lunchroom supervisor;
- approved the employment of Katy Clemens to fill a FMLA;
- approved the employment of Heather Cheske, Special Education teacher for the 2015-2016 school year; and
- accepted the resignations of Lori Trosen, Karen McKay, and Marlo Rogers.

### **In other matters, the Board**

- approved its meeting schedule for 2015-16. Meetings will be held at 7 p.m. in the District Administrative Center on the second and fourth Wednesday in January, February, March, April, May, August, September and October, and on the second Wednesday only of June, July, November and December;
- set Wednesday, May 6 as the date for the Special Meeting for the new Board Member orientation;
- authorized District administration to begin the process of securing an auditing firm; and
- reviewed changes for the 2015-2016 Student Handbook.

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Rich Marron  
President

Stacey Borgens  
Vice President

David Faber  
Secretary

Pam Kohlbacher  
Member

George Leonard  
Member

Patricia Martin  
Member

Richard Ward  
Member