

Summit Hill District 161
Wednesday, July 10, 2013
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. Letters and Communications
 - B. Freedom of Information Act
 - C. Recognition
 1. Receipt of Certificate of Excellence of Financial Reporting Recognition
 - D. Public Comments
4. Action Items
 - A. Consent of Agenda
 1. Approval of Minutes
 - a. Regular Session Minutes of June 12, 2013
 - b. Closed Session Meeting Minutes of June 12, 2013
 - c. Policy Committee Meeting Minutes of June 25, 2013
 - d. Special Meeting Minutes of July 1, 2013
 - e. Special Meeting Closed Session Minutes of July 1, 2013
 2. Approval of Bill List of July 10, 2013
 3. Resignation of Staff
 4. Family Medical Leave
 5. Employment of Staff
 - B. Old Business
 1. Board Policy Manual Review Discussion and Schedule
 - C. New Business
 1. Retirement of Staff
 2. Presentation and Approval of District 843 2013-2014 Budget
 3. Review of Closed Session Minutes and Destruction of Closed Session Minutes
 4. First Reading of Board Policies
 5. Approval of District-Wide Student Photo Contract Renewal
 6. Approval of Arbury Hills Sound System

7. Authorization for 2013-2014 Ivy League Contract
8. Discussion of Board Goals
9. Discussion of the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Frankfort Square Park District
5. President's Comments
6. Superintendent and Staff Report
 - A. Enrollment Report/Registration
 - B. Personnel and Negotiations Matters (Closed Session)
7. Information and Questions from Board Members
 - A. Lincoln-Way District 843 Meeting Report
 - B. Board Member Comments
8. Public Comments
9. Future Meeting Dates
 - A. August 14, 2013 Administration Center, 7 P.M.
 - B. August 28, 2013 Administration Center, 7 P.M.
 - C. September 11, 2013 Administration Center, 7 PM
10. 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