



Nov. 17, 2021 meeting

Summit Hill District 161 Board Briefs

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School Board Member Appreciation Week Celebrated

As a part of School Board Member Appreciation Week, the Summit Hill School District 161 Board of Education Members were recognized and thanked for their service and commitment to the students, staff, families, and community. Members include Stacey Borgens, Stefanie McCleish, Jim Martin, Trudy Sturino, George Leonard, Katie Campbell and Amy Berk.

Summit Hill Junior High School Baseball Team- 4th in State

A congratulations was offered to the several Summit Hill School District Cross Country Team members for their outstanding season of running. Student athletes including Kate Roberts, Olivia Mancini, Vanessa Lee, Olivia Launius, Emily Flores, Gracelyn Olson, Eliana Kaitei and Luke Mueller were congratulated for participating in the IESA State Conference.

In personnel matters, the Board

- accepted the resignations of Eileen Woltman and Richard Dolenak II;
- approve the employment of Kevin Lockwood and Jeanne Laird as a FMLA teachers, Lee Merigold and Joseph Signore as Building Technicians and Elsa Velazquez as a paraprofessional;
- accepted the retirement/resignations of Amy Bednarz, Rita Bottomley, Debra Murphy, Jodi Canter and Scott Smalter at the end of the 2024-2025 school year;

In other matters, the Board

- approved two Memorandum of Understandings with the Teacher's Union including standardizing tutoring pay and offering COVID positive staff to receive District leave-time;
- Dr. McDermott gave an update on the November 4, 2021 Policy Committee Meeting regarding policy 8:90;
- Dr. McDermott gave further explanation on the Frankfort Square Park District walking path expansion that was approved at the October 10 Board Meeting;
- set 8th grade graduation as May 22, 2022, at Lincoln-Way West, 4 PM ;
- adopted the tax levy resolution for 2021;
- approved the Intergovernmental Agreement with Lincoln-Way 210 to share student data for educational/instructional purposes;
- approve the Short-Term Substitute training program;
- noted that District 161 will be closed December 24 and December 31;
- heard an update on Covid Quarantine and updated guidance and;
- heard a Lincoln-Way Curriculum Council update.

This year, we will “flourish” together!

Stacey Borgens
President

Stefanie McCleish
Vice President

Jim Martin
Secretary

Amy Berk
Member

Katie Campbell
Member

George Leonard
Member

Trudy Sturino
Member