

Board of Education Highlights

August 13, 2008 - School Service Center

Recognitions & Achievements

Dr. Drury recognized the Wheaton Warrenville South High School men's volleyball team that won the IHSA State Championship this past spring. Head coach Bill Schreier and the team were present, and they received certificates of achievement from the Board of Education.

Dr. Drury introduced and recognized Mark Schmidt, a 2008 graduate of Wheaton Warrenville South High School. Mark earned a number of awards and achievements during his high school career, including being state champion in speech. Representatives from the Illinois State Board of Education were present to award Mark with a resolution from the State Board for his achievement in the National Poetry Out Loud competition.

Greg Gauthier, a 2008 WNHS graduate, and Curt Peterson, a 2008 WWSHS graduate, were among the five high school students who represented the State of Illinois against teams from 27 other states to win the first prize in the 21st annual Panasonic Academic Challenge. This premier high school academic competition was held at the Walt Disney World's Contemporary Hotel in Orlando. This is the 2nd consecutive year that Illinois has won this championship. Greg Gauthier was chosen to the All American Team for the second consecutive year, and he is only the third student in the history of the competition to receive this honor two years in a row. Each of the students received a \$2500 scholarship. The team answered questions in subjects that included math, science, language arts, social studies, fine arts, foreign languages and technology.

The WNHS Library was one of 40 high school libraries in Illinois to win a set of twenty-two 2009 Abraham Lincoln books from the first annual Illinois School Library Media Association/Library Book Selection Services (ISLMA/LBSS) Endowment Fund Grant. WNHS Librarian Jeri Ramp submitted this grant proposal last spring. The books will be in the school and ready for student use when school opens next week. Thanks to Jeri Ramp for her efforts in obtaining this great addition to the WNHS Library.

The Board took the following action:

Approved the continuation of the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Wheaton for two liaison patrol officers, one at each of the high schools.

Approved to re-post policy 6.210, Instructional Material, and the AR for public review and comment for 30 days. This policy addresses R-rated movies in classrooms, and the latest revision removes a previous ban on foreign films.

Approved to post the tentative budget for the 2008-09 fiscal year. A Public Hearing will be held on Wednesday, September 24, 2008 with adoption to be considered at the Board meeting following the hearing.

Next Meeting:

August 27, 2008 at the School Service Center