

Board of Education Highlights

April 12, 2006 -- Pleasant Hill Elementary School

Recognitions

Franklin eighth grader Kerry Furrh was recognized for winning the best multimedia classroom project for middle school students at the Illinois Technology Conference held last month in Springfield. She showed a clip from her presentation, which was based on the book Daniel's Story by Carol Matas.

Mark Schmidt, a Wheaton Warrenville South sophomore, was honored for winning the state championship in Extemporaneous Speaking at the IHSA Speech Tournament in February.

Architect Presentation

Patrick Brosnan, architect with Legat Architects, discussed trends in new middle school buildings and talked about the issues that must be considered as plans are developed for new middle school construction. The architects are currently meeting with a group of District 200 staff to discuss the program needs for a new middle school.

The Board took the following action:

- Authorized approved vendors for common copier, printer and fax supplies. Schools will purchase these supplies from the approved vendors at the bid price.
- Agreed to enter a contract with Side Effects to provide scoreboards at both high schools. The scoreboards would come at no cost to the District, but would include advertising solicited by Side Effects. Advertising fees would pay the costs of the scoreboard. Once the scoreboards are paid off, advertising revenue will be split 50/50 between the vendor and the schools.
- Approved a policy that requires high school English teachers to provide students with a list of the novels that will be used for each class by the end of the first week of each semester. In addition, students will be advised of how they can be excused from reading an assigned novel for personal/family reasons. Students choosing to be excused from an assigned novel will be able to select an alternate novel from the approved list.
- Approved the following new and/or revised curriculum for the high schools: Adult Living, Applied Math, Child Development and Preschool Lab, College Literacy Skills, Computer Literacy, Desktop Publishing, Fashion Merchandising, Geometry A Level, Geometry I Level, Keyboarding, Marketing, Photography 1 & 2, Reading for College, and Topics in Geometry.
- Approved the posting of high school textbooks in the following courses: French 2 & 3, Geometry (I Level), Topics in Geometry, German 2, and Spanish 2 & 3. The

books are on review in the public libraries of Wheaton, Warrenville, Carol Stream and Winfield and the School Service Center.

- Approved the appointment of Dr. Catalani as the representative and Linda Knicker as the alternate representative to the DuPage/West Cook Governing Board.
- Authorized the high schools to renew their membership in the Illinois High School Association.
- Adopted resolutions for reduction in force, dismissal, and termination of certified and classified staff as required by the Illinois School Code.

Next Meeting:

April 26 at Lincoln Elementary School