

Board of Education Highlights

June 13, 2007 – School Service Center

Recognitions:

- The winners of the 2007 Superintendent's Art Award were recognized. The winners are Claire Haas from Madison; Michael Stebbins from Madison; Lauren Jaczak from Monroe; Subaas Gurung from Wheaton North; and Courtney Lee Otto from Wheaton Warrenville South.
- Retiring Superintendent Gary T. Catalani was honored at an informal reception prior to the meeting and recognized for his service to the District during the meeting.. Dr. Catalani is retiring at the end of June after serving as superintendent in District 200 for eight years.

The Board took the following action:

Approved the appointment of two assistant principals: Derrick Edwards at Johnson Elementary School and Catherine Bethia at Wheaton Warrenville South High School.

Accepted the following gifts to Lowell School: \$1,000 from Walmart for the purchase of technology, a \$300 donation from a parent to be used by the Lowell Social Welfare Fund, and \$500 from Exxon Mobil to be used for materials and/or opportunities for students in the areas of math and science.

Authorized the renewal of a contract with Pearson NCS to support the scanner hardware for the scoring of local assessments.

Authorized the renewal of the district subscription to United Streaming with Discovery Education. United Streaming is a digital media library that provides teachers with a collection of video segments to incorporate digital media into student learning environments.

Approved the renewal of a support agreement with Timpanogos Technologies to support CIMS, the district's administrative software system. This agreement covers support as well as updates. The cost for extending the agreement through June 30, 2008 is \$49,970.

Approved the Life Safety Extension of Time Application for Jefferson School pending a board decision on the future of the building.

Approved a resolution under the Prevailing Wage Act that requires the district to pay workmen the prevailing wage for DuPage County,

Approved the purchase of property, casualty and liability insurance with the Collective Liability Insurance Cooperative (CLIC) at an increase of 1.5 percent over last year.

Appointed Dr. Richard Drury and Mrs. Linda Knicker as the District's representatives to the DuPage West Cook Governing Board.

Appointed Dr. Charles Baker as the District's representative to the DAOES Board of Directors.

Approved revisions to Policy 2.220, Board Meeting Procedures, to incorporate language related to Board Member participation in meetings by audio and video.

Approved an agreement with the WWEA for the full-time release of the WWEA president during the school year. The WWEA reimburses the district an amount equal to the average cost of new teachers hired for the school year.

Approved the lease of seven, 14 passenger white buses for use at the high schools.

Adopted textbooks and novels for the following high school courses: algebra I, American government, AP American government, art and design, biology A, I, and R levels, college literacy skills, responding to emergencies, fitness and nutrition, R level U.S. history, and novels for themes in literature.

Approved a pilot program for the 2007-2008 school year in which one thousand students in selected grades at Emerson, Hawthorne, Lincoln, Pleasant Hill, Edison and Hubble will participate in the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP). MAP is a computerized, adaptive assessment aligned to Illinois State Standards that identifies a student's current level of performance, monitors student progress throughout the year, and projects ISAT performance.

Approved the purchase of eight presentation stations, four at each high school, for use in the career education departments of each high school. The stations are funded by a grant.

Approved the purchase of 124 computers to update the middle school computer labs.

Approved the purchase of the Workers' Compensation policy with the School Employees Loss Fund (SELF).

Approved the extension of the contract for custodial services with GCA Services Group for the 2007-2008 school year for \$1,982,449.24.

Next Meeting:

July 11 at the School Service Center