

WHAT'S HAPPENING

The Woodland School District #50 Board of Education held the Governing Board meeting on Wednesday, August 27, 2008. Following is a summary of the Board's actions:

Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved as presented.

Reading of Communications

There were none.

Citizen Statements

There were none.

Consent Agenda

The consent agenda was approved as presented. Items approved include:

- Approval of Minutes
- Financial Reports
- Treasurer Reports
- Approval of Employment
- Acceptance of Resignations/Retirement
- Approval of Leaves of Absence
- Approval of Substitutes
- Approval of "Destruction of Closed Session Meeting Audio Recordings" for January 2007
- Approval of Closed Session Minutes to be Opened to the Public – Twice a year the Board of Education approves closed session minutes to be opened to the public. Minutes may remain closed if they reference a confidential matter that involves a staff member still employed by the district or within the last 5 years. The Board is to open the following minutes:

August 22, 2007	November 13, 2007	January 23, 2008
August 30, 2007	December 13, 2007	February 27, 2008
September 26, 2007	December 15, 2007	March 6, 2008
October 24, 2007	December 19, 2007	April 7, 2008
		April 15, 2008
- Approval of Construction Change Orders for Life Health Safety Projects – The Board has received nine change orders from this summer's life health safety projects. The total change is \$50,300.88. The change orders are within current budget parameters.
- Approval of Revision to Job Description for Assistant Director of Technology – The job description as recommended from the Director of Technology was approved.

Action Items

Approval of Lowest Responsible Bidder – Diesel/Gas Fuel Bid

- Approval of Lowest Responsible Bidder – Diesel/Gas Fuel Bid - Woodland and Warren Transportation departments met to review areas where we might share services or combine efforts to reduce costs. One of the areas where we can look to join efforts is with a combined fuel bid. Both Warren and Woodland have in-ground storage tanks and purchase the same type of fuel (ultra low sulphur diesel). Combined, Woodland and Warren purchase over 210,000 gallons annually for their transportation programs. A bid opening was held and the administration is recommending the Board award the bid to Olson Oil. The district pays the Oil Price Information Service daily average cost, plus a

per gallon delivery charge (.044 per gallon delivery charge for gas, a .024 delivery charge for diesel to Lot A and a .036 per gallon charge for delivery of diesel fuel to Lot C.

Statement to the Board

Dr. Swoboda complimented the administration, staff and students on an enjoyable first day of school.

Reports/Discussion Items

Strategic Planning Goal 1A Student Learning – Achievement

Dr. Anne Swanson, Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum, Instruction and Accountability and Steve Thomas, Director of Continuous Instruction and Accountability provided the Board with an update on Measures of Academic Progress. The district exceeds the national means in math and reading, where we have been seen consistent scores in the last three years. The scores show that the district has a consistent program and curriculum for the students. Our growth scores, after being converted to average and high scores, are average. The district is striving for high growth in alignment with strategic planning goal 1A.

Dr. Swanson shared possible hypothesis for consistent growth scores and district initiatives for FY 09.

Steve Thomas shared preliminary assumptions based upon early unofficial ISAT (Illinois Standardized Achievement Test) data. A full report will be given to the Board at the September 24th Board meeting.

Summer Programs

The Board was provided with written reports from the summer programs for 2008: Summer Wonders and Camp Inventions.

Board Improvement and Operations

The Board reviewed the agenda for the Committee of the Whole meeting on September 4th. The Board has added a closed session regarding personnel matters to the agenda. The Board was also reminded of a special meeting on Saturday, September 6th with Barbara Toney from the Illinois Association of School Boards.

Status Requests

There were no new items added.

Committee Reports/Announcements

There were none.

The regular session adjourned at 8:28 P.M.

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