

## **Board Briefs**

The Board of Directors met in regular session on Monday, March 26, 2018 at 6:00pm in the board room. The following items were discussed and/or acted upon at the meeting.

The board approved the February 26, 2018 minutes from the regular board meeting and the executive session along with the monthly financials as presented.

The board approved the resignation of Stan Dulkoski as band teacher and Jennifer Roberson as kindergarten teacher effective at the end of the 2017-18 school year.

The board has selected members to be part of its development committee. This committee's purpose is to raise funds for the operations of the school. The committee met on March 22 for its initial organizational meeting. The next meeting will take place in mid to late April.

The foundation board met on March 20, 2018. They discussed the atrium skylights and potential building projects to take place this summer. The foundation has approved a bid for the repair of the atrium skylights. In addition they will be repairing the parking lot lights as well.

The board reviewed the high school and K-8 principal reports as presented. The board reviewed the athletic director report as presented.

The board reviewed the Admission directors report. The enrollment at the high school is 113, down 2 from the February census. We have 2 new students in our K-8 bringing that count to 256 students. Susan has met with several parents regarding enrollment for 2018-19 school year. To date the 2018-19 enrollment counts stand at 235 for grades K-8 and 106 in the high school.

The administrative team has completed the action plan based on the input from the parent focus group. I have attached a copy of the action plan for your review. If you see something in the plan that you would like to comment on please feel free to share with me or your building principal. This plan is dynamic and open to change.

Empower Illinois reopened their site for scholarship applications on February 27 at 7:00pm. The new two stage process is going well. People are still in the process of completing the second stage of the process. Empower Illinois has not awarded scholarships at this time that we are aware of.

The board discussed staffing for the 2018-19 school year. We have begun to fill open positions for next year. Kyle Gilbert will teach high school chemistry, physics, and physical science next year. Michael Londos will be teaching MS/HS social studies next year, Amy Yusko will be teaching MS/HS language arts/English, and Evan Bosaw will be teaching MS/HS chorus and band. The administration is continuing to interview candidates for all vacant positions.

The board approved the implementation of the multi-age grade levels for the 2018-19 school year. Stephanie Wilkerson, Melissa Saurmann and Al Bardeleben will teach the multi-age classrooms.

The board approved starting the student day at 8:00am and ending at 3:00. This will allow us to accommodate a 10-15 minute recess period for our middle school students and still be able to get lunch done in a timely manner. The recess period for middle school students came out of the parent focus group meeting.

The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be on April 23, 2018 at 6:00pm.

If you have any questions or comments, please let me know. Dr. Holmes