



## District 38 "Board Briefs" for the Regular Meeting of February 24, 2014

*The information below summarizes highlights from the District 38 Board of Education meeting held on Monday, February 24, 2014. As always, the community is welcome and encouraged to attend Board Meetings or, for your convenience, watch them streaming live. In addition, the meetings are taped and posted to the website within 24 hours for viewing at a later date. Finally, the Board posts to the website its Agendas 48 hours in advance of meetings, Board packets prior to each meeting and Board Minutes once approved.*

### **Presentation on New Trier Township High School Facility Needs from Dr. Linda Yonke**

- Dr. Yonke provided an overview of the facility needs at the Winnetka Campus. She referenced the current competition that is in process regarding the design and potential solutions to meet the needs of 21<sup>st</sup> Century learning. The presentation is located on the New Trier website at: <http://www.newtrier.k12.il.us/page.aspx?id=32997>.

### **Administrative Reports**

- **Superintendent's Report** - Dr. Kalinich referenced the make-up days required to be used in the calendar as a result of the four emergency weather days in January. This will extend the last day of school to Thursday, June 12, 2014. She further referenced the change in format from an electronic survey to an interview with the Principal in the process for the exit survey for families leaving Kenilworth School District.

**Principal's Report** - Dr. Matthews stated that the Illinois Standardized Assessment Test (ISAT) will be given March 4, 5, 6, and 7 for grades 3-8 in Mathematics, Reading and Science (grades 4 and 7 only) and that the school has been selected as a pilot site for the PARCC assessment for the English Language Arts (ELA) (two sections of 4<sup>th</sup> grade and two sections of 5<sup>th</sup> grade only). PARCC will replace ISAT beginning with the 2014-15 school year.

### **Board Action**

- The Board unanimously moved to approve the Consent Agenda that included Regular Meeting amended minutes from the January 13, 2014, financial reports, authorization to destroy closed session recordings from September 2012, moving of March Board Meeting date to Monday, March 24, 2014, as well as acceptance of resignations and leave requests.

### **Highlights from Board Discussion**

- **Principal Search Process** - Mr. Kollar introduced Dr. Hank Gmitro from the search firm of Hazard, Young and Attea (HYA), who reviewed the draft of the [Leadership Profile Report](#) for the prospective Principal, as developed with input from Faculty, Staff, Board members, Administrators, Parents and Students. He provided an update regarding the interview timeline to include:



- A slate of approximately 6 to 7 candidates will be presented by HYA for interviews by a team to include: two faculty members, the Personnel Committee members, the JSSPVA and Booster Club Presidents, Dr. Kalinich and Dr. LeRoy. The interviews will take place on March 4 and 5, 2014.
- Three semi-finalists will be identified for the next step of interviews with a stakeholder committee to include: eight faculty and staff members, six parents identified by the JSSPVA and Booster Club, Ms. Jones, Dr. Kalinich, and Dr. LeRoy. The interviews will take place on March 17-19, 2014.
- The full Board of Education will receive input from the stakeholder committee, conduct final interviews with the semi-finalists, and make a selection. The interviews will take place on March 17-19, 2014, after the candidates have been interviewed by the stakeholder committee.
- It is anticipated that the Principal will be announced in early April 2014 with their first day of assuming responsibilities on July 1, 2014.
- **Discussion of Public Relations Work** – Communication Committee Chairperson, Mrs. Betsy Moerschel, summarized the Committee's discussion and recommendation regarding Public Relations work for the District. It was noted that the work quality has been high and supports the Strategic Plan. In order to manage the costs related to the public relations area, the Committee asked Dr. Kalinich to discuss a retainer arrangement beginning on April 1<sup>st</sup> and running through September 2014.

**Questions** --Please direct your questions or comments to the Kenilworth School District No. 38 **Sounding Board** that was created to provide community members the chance to share comments, questions, compliments and concerns. All messages are sent to the Superintendent and the Board of Education Members. We are listening and you can communicate with us by sending an email to [listen@kenilworth38.org](mailto:listen@kenilworth38.org). We ask that you do not reply directly to this email because such replies cannot be answered. Thank you!