



## **District 38 "Board Briefs" for the Regular Meeting of November 12, 2018**

*The information below summarizes highlights from the Kenilworth Board of Education meeting held on November 12, 2018. As always, the community is welcome and encouraged to attend board meetings. Meetings are taped and posted to the website within 24 hours for viewing. 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.*

### **Community Recognition Awards**

- Mrs. Kelly read into the minutes resolutions of appreciation to [The Joseph Sears School Parents' Volunteer Association](#) and the [Sears Booster Club](#). Mrs. Kelly thanked the JSSPVA and the Booster Club for their service and contributions to the District from the 2017-2018 school year.
- Dr. LeRoy presented a Community Service Recognition Award to the Kenilworth Police Department. Dr. LeRoy thanked the police for their continued partnership and service to The Joseph Sears School Community.

### **Administrative Reports**

- **Superintendent's Report** - Dr. LeRoy reviewed a recent professional development workshop for faculty then discussed the Portrait of a Sears Graduate Project. With input from residents, alumni, faculty and staff, the Administration developed a set of desired traits and competencies that students are expected to have developed throughout their time at Sears. The Portrait of a Sears Graduate will be further refined then shared with the community along with the Strategic Plan.
- **Chief School Business Official's Report** - Dr. LeRoy reviewed the monthly financials and gave [a presentation on the 2018 estimate of levy](#). The District will request a 2.80% levy for FY19. Dr. LeRoy also presented the 2018 Annual List of Contracts in Excess of \$25,000.
- **Interim Principal's Report** - Dr. Haney reviewed the monthly enrollment report. There are 476 students enrolled at The Joseph Sears School, two fewer students when compared to October 2018. Dr. Haney also noted that the Second Cup of

Coffee series for the 2018-2019 school year will begin with two repeat sessions bullying.

- **Chief Education Officer's Report** - Dr. Leali and Dr. Haney gave [a presentation on schoolwide growth and assessment data](#). Dr. Leali noted that while our students continue to perform at a level that exceeds the New Trier Township average on the MAP test, the Administration and teachers have identified a series of steps that we will take to continue to improve our performance as a school system. Additionally, steps will be taken in order to develop assessments which will measure our students' progress toward the goals outlined in the mission statement.

## **Board Action**

- The Board unanimously approved the consent agenda as amended to include the approval of: [minutes from the September 24, 2018 regular meeting](#) and closed session; [minutes from the October 16, 2018 Communications Subcommittee meeting](#); [minutes from the October 17, 2018 committee of the whole meeting](#) and closed session; [minutes from the October 23, 2018 Personnel Subcommittee meeting](#) and closed session; investment reports for September and October 2018; monthly financial report for September and October 2018; ratification of accounts payable for September 25, 2018 to October 15, 2018; accounts payable for October 16, 2018 to November 12, 2018; authorization for the administration to prepare FY20 budget
- The Board unanimously approved [the 2019-2020 School Fee Schedule and Junior Kindergarten tuition](#). It was noted that school fees and tuition would remain the same as they have during the 2018-2019 school year.
- The Board unanimously accepted the 2018 Estimate of Levy. The Board will vote to formally adopt the levy during a public hearing scheduled for the December board meeting.
- The Board unanimously approved the recommendation to hire Mrs. Beth Rosenberg-Brewer as 1.0 FTE Instructional Assistant.
- The Board unanimously approved FMLA requests for certified employee(s).

## **Board Discussion**

- Mrs. Kelly led a board discussion on the District's principal search. The Board will communicate the next steps on the principal search as they become finalized.
- Dr. LeRoy led a discussion on the annual report. The Administration will review the timing, scope and purpose of the annual report in order to better align the report with the needs of the Sears community.

**Notice** -- In keeping with established practices of neighboring New Trier Township feeder districts and in maintaining our commitment to fiscal responsibility, the Kenilworth Board of Education discontinued the practice of live-streaming meetings on March 19, 2018, effective at the end of the 2017-2018 school year. We welcome all Kenilworth families, residents, guests and community members to attend board meetings live or view the posted meeting recordings on the website no more than 24 hours after the conclusion of each board meeting.

**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 board members, Superintendent/CSBO, Chief Education Officer, Interim Principal and Director of Student Services. We are listening and you can communicate with us by sending an email to [listen@kenilworth38.org](mailto:listen@kenilworth38.org). Thank you!

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