

**AGENDA
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
WEST HIGH SCHOOL
1201 W. NEW YORK ST.
AURORA, IL 60506**

A-206 Health Occupation Room

**Monday Evening
6:00 P.M.**

September 08, 2009

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Roll Call**
- III. Pledge of Allegiance**
- IV. Recognition of Visitors**

This section of the agenda allows for the recognition of any individuals or groups whose attendance should be appropriately acknowledged.

- V. Recognition of Audience Wishing to Speak to an Agenda Item**

Persons wishing to address the Board are requested to submit questions or information in writing. In order to encourage public participation, individuals wishing to address a specific agenda topic will be asked to indicate which topic and then will speak once the topic is introduced later in the meeting.

- VI. Recognition of Audience Wishing to Speak to the Board**

Any formal request to appear before the Board may be considered at this time. Persons wishing to address the Board are asked to sign up in advance of the meeting, indicating the topic which they would like to discuss.

VII. Special Recognition

No parties to recognize.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

Board

A. Release of Executive Session Minutes

Under legislation passed by the Illinois General Assembly, the Board is required to periodically review the minutes of its executive sessions to determine whether or not confidentially still exists. We earlier prepared for distribution to the Board a copy of those confidential minutes along with the recommendation regarding release.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education find that the Executive Session minutes for the period March 2009 until September 2009 not to be released for public view.

Teaching and Learning

A. Internet Safety School Code

There is a new School Code which requires Internet Safety instruction grades 3 and above. The Board of Education is required to determine the scope and duration of this unit of instruction. The district must comply with the requirement to incorporate a component on Internet Safety into the school curriculum to be taught at least once each school year.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the Internet Safety instructional component to be taught to grades 3 and above at least once each school year.

B. Application for Recognition

Each building must respond to the assurance in order to receive Recognition from the State Board of Education in accordance with Section 2-3.25 of the School Code and the 23 Illinois Administrative Code, Part 1. All information has been verified and all buildings qualify to receive State recognition.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the 2009-10 Application for Recognition of Schools for the following District 129 Schools:

Fearn Elementary School
Freeman Elementary School

Goodwin Elementary School
Greenman Elementary School
Hall Elementary School
Hill Elementary School
McCleery Elementary School
Nicholson Elementary School
Schneider Elementary School
Smith Elementary School
Todd Elementary School
Hope Wall School
Herget Middle School
Jefferson Middle School
Jewel Middle School
Washington Middle School
West Senior High School

Safe Secure Facilities

A. Disposal of Surplus Van for Transportation

The Transportation Department is declaring a 1993 Chevrolet G20 custom van with wheelchair lift as a surplus. The vehicle has been at Hope Wall over 10 years and was used once or twice last year. A considerable amount of time and money has been spent trying to repair this van but continues to have electrical problems with the wheelchair lift. The vehicle was donated to Hope Wall and the District approximately 9 years ago.

RECOMMENDATION: Per Board of Education policy, 4:80, recommendation is made to request Board of Education approval to dispose of this 1993 Chevrolet G20 custom van with wheelchair lift as surplus.

Financial Responsibility

A. Approval of Transfer of Funds

The District 129 Working Cash Fund was established in accordance with the regulation of the Illinois School Code to provide money when needed on a loan basis for ordinary and necessary expenditures. In District 129, we have traditionally loaned the Working Cash dollars to the Education Fund, where it is necessary for cash flow purposes. Money loaned from the Working Cash Fund must be repaid within one year. At this time, we are requesting such a loan to assist in meeting our cash flow needs.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the transfer of \$4,200,000.00 from the Working Cash Fund as a loan to the Education Fund.

B. Northern Illinois Convocational Contract

Changes in the proposed contract for Northern Illinois University Convocational Center license agreement from the previous agreement:

- Ticket printing charge of \$.10 per ticket has been added. In the first year of previous contract tickets were not used but were used in years two and three. NIU upheld the contract and did not charge for ticket printing for the past two years.
- Costs for labor, equipment, and services increased from \$5,000 per year to \$7,000 per year.

This contract will be in effect until the 2012 graduation ceremony.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the contract with NIU through the 2012 school year for use of their convocational center.

IX. Consent Agenda

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the items contained in the Consent Agenda for September 08, 2009.

- A. Approval of Minutes**
- B. Approval of Bill Listings**
- C. Personnel Report**
- D. Resignation – Certified Staff**
- E. Resignation – Educational Support Staff**
- F. Appointments – Certified Probationary – Full Time**
- G. Appointments – Certified Probationary – Part Time**
- H. Appointments – certified Appointments – Educational Support Personnel Full Time**
- I. Leaves – Educational Support Personnel**
- X. Action as a Result of Special Executive Session**
- XI. Information and Discussion**

Board

A. Northwest Illinois Association

In June NIA held two elections; a regular election and a special election. Because the special election resulted in a tie, the NIA has chosen to repeat the election process. A special ballot for the election of a Director of Special Education from Subregion I and this will be a one (1) year term. The candidates are Dr. Carolyn Beard and Dr. Crysta Morrissey. The Board of Education will consider the candidates and authorize the Board Secretary to cast its ballot at the September 21, 2009 Board of Education meeting.

Safe Secure Facilities

A. Disposal of Surplus Items

A request to dispose of the following surplus items include:

- one electric kiln Scutt model 1027-208 Serial number A001747-10 that does not work properly and cannot be repaired
- one band saw that is broken and not repairable
- one document viewer that no longer works

Per Board of Education policy, 4:80, recommendation is made to request Board of Education approval to dispose of this item. Recommendation to be requested at 9/21/09 Board of Education meeting.

Financial Responsibility

A. Auditor's Presentation

John Weber from Crowe Horwath will present an update on the findings of the Fiscal Year 2009 audit.

B. Financial Update

Christi Tyler, Chief Finance Officer, will update the Board of Education on the financial status of the district.

XII. Correspondence

A. Article highlights to August 28th

FEARN

Included in your backup material are articles from:
Aug. 27 Triblocal photo of First Day of School

GOODWIN

Included in your backup material are articles from:
July 25 Chronicle article on Video of 40th Anniversary Celebration

HERGET

Included in your backup material are articles from:
Aug. 20 Herald photo of First Day of School

NICHOLSON

Included in your backup material are articles from:
July 26 Herald photo of Students at Cougars Game

SMITH

Included in your backup material are articles from:
Aug. 24 Herald photo of Smith Students Singing at Staff Opening

WEST HIGH SCHOOL

Included in your backup material are articles from:
Aug. 04 Beacon article on Freshman Orientation
Aug. 26 Beacon article on Open House
Aug. 26 Beacon article on Webcast

DISTRICT

Included in your backup material are articles from:
July 24 Chronicle photo of Senior Spelling Bee
Aug. 03 Beacon article on Registration
Aug. 05 Herald story and photos of Tom Herget
Aug. 07 Beacon article on Nomination Deadline for Hall of Honor
Aug. 11 Beacon story on Signing of Senate Bill 2051

XIII. Prior Trip Approval – Students

None

IV. Miscellaneous Information Items

A. Dates to Remember

September 21, 2009	Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 pm
September 28, 2009	SCAC Meeting in B140 – 7:00 pm
October 18, 2009	Making Strides Breast Cancer Walk
October 26, 2009	SIP Presentation to Board of Education 4:00
November 20-22, 2009	Triple I Convention in Chicago

April 10-12, 2010

National School Board Association (NSBA)
Conference in Chicago

V. Adjourn

- The next meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for Monday, September 21, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. at West High School, 1201 W. New York Street, Aurora, IL in room A-206. Please enter door number 1.

CONSENT AGENDA FOR SEPTEMBER 08, 2009

The Board of Education's Consent Agenda contains those motions or resolutions which are deemed routine and/or require little or no discussion. The use of the consent Agenda is intended to expedite the meeting by the elimination of repetitive roll calls and unnecessary discussions. A Consent Agenda item will be removed from the Consent Agenda prior to its passage upon the request of any Board member. The roll call of votes on the approval of the Consent Agenda shall constitute the roll call of votes on each and every Consent Agenda motion or resolution as if each were voted on individually.

IX. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes

Included with the Board's backup materials are the minutes of the Board of Education meetings held over the past month.

RECOMMENDATION: That the minutes of the Board of Education meetings held on August 17, 2009.

B. Bills for Payment

Board members were previously provided with listings of District Bills for review.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve and accept bill listings in the amount of \$6,291,698.78 and Hope Wall bill listings in the amount of \$371,554.62 for the period ending September 08, 2009.

C. Personnel Report

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve and accept the Personnel Report for September 08, 2009.

D. Resignations – Certified

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the resignation of the following Certified personnel:

Kristin Peterson – 5th Grade @ Goodwin
Alison Winter – Bilingual @ Smith

E. Resignations – Educational Support

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the resignation of the following Educational Support personnel:

Jeanette Alcantar – Office Professional

F. Appointments – Certified- Full Time

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following Certified Probationary Full Time personnel:

Kerry Anderson – Early Childhood @ Todd
Geoff Bradley – Exploratory @ Jewel
Christina Brzykcy - English @ West High
Stephanie Campise – 1st Grade @ Hall
Jennifer Carew – Kipp – 3rd Grade @ Goodwin
Kathy Davila – Soc Sci/LA/Science @ Jewel
Jamie Glass – Early Childhood @ Todd
Jessica Korzelik – Early Childhood @ Todd
Dolly Mandrelle – Early Childhood @ Todd
Shawn McDowell – Early Childhood @ Todd
Kristen Meyer – Early Childhood @ Todd
Michelle Navarro – Early Childhood @ Todd
Jennifer Phillips – Language Arts @ Jefferson
William Pittluck – Science @ West High
Steven Popp – 5th Grade – Goodwin
Lindsay Pultz – Early Childhood @ Todd
Kerry Ryan – 4th Grade – Hall
Amanda Sipes – Kdg @ Freeman
Brendan Wischweh – Science @ West High

G. Appointments – Certified- Part Time

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following Certified Probationary Part Time personnel:

Miriam Wandt – Bilingual @ Hall

H. Appointments – Educational Support Personnel – Full Time

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the appointments of the following Educational Support Personnel – full time:

Amanda Sipes – Paraprofessional @ Hall

Lisa Tufano – Security @ West High

Luz Palacios – Paraprofessional @ Todd - Rehire

Quinn O'Malley – Paraprofessional @ Goodwin

Roger Dee – Paraprofessional @ Washington - Rehire

Danette White – Paraprofessional @ Jewel

Jennifer Sosnowski – Paraprofessional @ Fearn

Andrea Svejda – Paraprofessional @ Hill

I. Leaves – Educational Support

Jennifer Duker, Band Teacher at Jefferson Middle School, McCleery and Greenman Elementary Schools, has requested a leave of absence for the period of November 04, 2009 through the remainder of the 2009/10 school year, consistent with the terms and agreement between the Board of Education and the Aurora Education Association-West.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the request for leave of absence for Jennifer Duker for the period of November 04, 2009 through the remainder of the 2009/10 school year, consistent with the terms and agreement between the Board of Education and the Aurora Education Association-West.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the recommendations contained in the Consent Agenda for September 08, 2009.