

COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 128
VERNON HILLS, ILLINOIS

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION

4-25-11

The Regular Business Meeting of the Board of Education was called to order at 7:04p.m. by President Groody, followed by the pledge of allegiance.

The following members were noted present: Stephen Arthur, Alex Delli Paoli, Patrick Groody, Karin Lundstedt, Marsha Oberrieder and Judy Sugarman. Absent: Ellen Mauer. Elected but not yet seated school board members: James Batson and William Ratzler.

Also present: Prentiss Lea, superintendent; Al Fleming, associate superintendent; Yasmine Dada, assistant superintendent for business; Deb Larson, assistant superintendent for curriculum & instruction; Mary Todoric, communications director; Jess Porres, business consultant; Ellen Cwick, VHHS principal; Marina Scott, LHS principal; Lynn Himes, attorney; Rick Mittelman, attorney; Denise Neal, recording secretary.

COMMUNICATION

EDUCATIONAL PRESENTATION

- Debra Kellum LHS Department 1 Supervisor, and LHS Teacher, Jeremy Gerlach, provided an update on the Kern Foundation Grant for the Project Lead The Way Program. It was noted that the grant provided \$10K for the first year (2010-11) and \$15K for the second year (2011-12).

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

- President Groody reminded board members that VHHS graduation is Thursday, June 2 and LHS graduation is Friday, June 3.

REPORTS FROM STUDENT BOARD REPRESENTATIVES

- LHS Co-Representative Hannah Mowery reported on the following LHS activities:
 - AP testing took place the week of April 25
 - Tryouts for graduation speeches were held
 - April 25th marks the end of Progress Report #3 period
 - Spring play performances took place April 29-30
 - Student Council elections are scheduled
 - A freshman mentoring project – Link Crew Program – will begin with the 2011-12 school year
- VHHS Representative Nitya Bhagavatula reported on the following activities:
 - Mr. Cougar contest took place on April 9
 - WYSE won State competition for 3rd time
 - More than 55 juniors were inducted in National Honor Society

- A Unity Fair was held the week of April 18
- Rock the Courtyard musical performances will be held May 18
- Interact Club & Student Council collected over 200 school supply items
- Spring sports are underway
- Prom is scheduled for May 14; theme is *Come Fly With Me*

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

- Lake County Board Member, Aaron Lawlor, thanked Board Members, Marsha Oberrieder and Judy Sugarman for their collaborative work on the 128 School Board. Superintendent Lea acknowledged the service to the district and community that Marsha and Judy have given and presented them with plaques and a gift from the administration.

Judy Sugarman thanked everyone for the opportunity to service and commented on her pleasure in working within some capacity in the district for 42 years.

Marsha Oberrieder commented that her time on the board has been a very rewarding experience to serve the students and community and thanked everyone for the opportunity to participate in the wonderful governance of District 128.

- Superintendent Lea reported on the following *Good News*:
 - Libertyville High School Dance Teacher **Eryn Brown** was selected to receive the Northeastern District Dance Teacher of the Year award from the Illinois Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance.
 - The Vernon Hills High School WYSE Team captured first place in state competition for the third consecutive year. The team is coached by **Josh Ravenscraft**.
 - The LHS Science Olympiad captured first place in its division and 16th overall in state competition. Placing first out of 22 teams in the A division and 16th overall (46 teams total), the first-year team members are: **Max Allen, Wes Allen, Adam Blythe, Charlie Burnett, Devika Joshi, Jason Leib, Kelly Lubbers, Joey Nedland, Erin Neil, Tim Pawlicki, Colleen Pawlicki, Connor Robinson, Patrick Slade, Jason Voelker, and Tommy Wagener**. In addition to the First Place Team trophy, team members earned individual medals in 11 of the 23 regular events and in one of the trial events. The team is supported by Head Coach **Ursula Ahern**, Assistant Head Coach **Mary Allen**, Sponsor **Radhika Joshi**, and parent coaches **Michael Slade, Jim Blythe, and Terri Neil**.
 - LHS senior **Mitch Boynton** was named a semifinalist in the 2011 US Presidential Scholars competition.
 - LHS and VHHS accounting students participated in the Annual Accounting Competition held at the College of Lake County on April 19. Over 80 students from Lake County high schools competed. The following D128 students and schools were recognized for their individual and team scores:
Accounting I – Individual Scores:
Third Place – **Sarah Millar, VHHS**
Fourth Place – **Levi Shusterman, VHHS**
Seventh Place – **Jake Zoll, VHHS**

Seventh Place – **Nathan Horwitz**, VHHS

Accounting I – Team Scores:

Second Place – VHHS

Third Place – LHS

Accounting II – Individual Scores:

First Place – **Kate Banks**, VHHS

Third Place – **Liezl Jacobson**, VHHS

Fourth Place – **Patrick Naleway**, VHHS

Accounting II – Team Score

First Place – VHHS

Nate Horwitz – LHS, 7th place over all

- LHS senior **Trevor Freberg** has been named recipient of a Chick Evans Caddie Scholarship based on outstanding qualifications as a scholar and caddie.
- At the April 18 North Suburban Conference Art Festival, the following D128 Students received medals for their work:
(VHHS) **Jessie Shen** – Jewelry; **Tiffany Do** – Printmaking; **Magaret Sharapan** – Drawing; **Kristi Baik** – Painting; **Abbie Estrada** – Digital Photography; **Erin Steele** – Darkroom Photography; **Rachel Clatch** – Painting; **Patrick Hamrick** – 3D; **Tamra Lang** – 3D; **Ambrin Ling** – 3D
(LHS) **Brooke Baldi**-Metalsmithing; **Louis Diamond**-Etching; **Morgan Bertler**-Mixed Media; **Alex Canavello**-Duct tape; **Rachel Wood**- Mixed Media; **Simona Kostakieva**-Computer Graphics; **Sophia Chen**- Watercolor; **Jennifer Rolston**-Charcoal; **Leah Herchenbach**-Ceramic; **Michelle Sindy**-Rusted Metal
- District 128 Board of Education member **Alex Delli Paoli**, LHS support staff member **Anne Malecki**, and Superintendent **Prentiss Lea** were each named award recipients in the 2011 Distinguished Service Awards program sponsored by the Illinois Chapter of the National School Public Relations Association. The statewide Distinguished Service Award program honors individuals who have consistently gone above and beyond on behalf of their schools, and whose efforts have enhanced education and conveyed its importance to the community at large. Distinguished Service Award winners are public relations ambassadors who have made a positive impact on communication and education. The trio will be honored at a luncheon hosted by INSPRA next week.
- Several LHS students recently competed in the FCCLA State Competition. The following three students were selected as Most Outstanding of all the competitors in their category; the highest honor:
Alex Swenson -- Gold Medal (Lined Garment) Was also awarded a new Brother Sewing Machine as the overall judges' favorite in the textile competition.
Carly Strecker -- Gold Medal (Two piece garment)
Diana Davellis -- Gold Medal (Salad Presentation)
Also receiving awards in the competition were:
Brittany Donovan and **Nikki Krumm** -- Gold Medal (Child Development Story-Telling)
Goli Parvinian -- Silver Medal (Two Piece Lined Garments)
Valerie Steinhauser -- Silver Medal (Lined Garment)
Anna Gottfreid -- Silver Medal (Two Piece Garment)
Brooke Donovan -- Silver Medal (Cookie Decorating)

- **Julie Ahlgrim** -- Bronze Medal (Cookie Decorating)
- The LHS Skills USA team recently competed at state. Awards were received by the following team members:
Graphic Communications: **Jamie Kenston**, 2nd Place; **Erik Aksland**, 5th Place; **Bojana Vazic**, 6th place; **Alison Knutson**, 8th place; **Connor O'Donnell**, 9th place
Automotive Service Technology: **Anthony Serrecchia**, 20th place
Technical Drafting CAD: **Davis Ogilvie**, 12th place
Job Skill Demonstration: **Nick Ackerman**, 5th place
Architectural Drafting-CAD 1: **Marcele Joseph**, 47th place
- Several LHS students also competed as part of the Tech Campus Skills USA State team and were named top finishers. They are:
Jittapun Lachitavongs in Certified Nurse Assisting - finished in 1st place in the Health Knowledge Bowl and 2nd place in Medical Terminology. Jittapun will be competing at Nationals in Kansas City from June 20-25th.
- **Jeremy Yoder** finished 2nd in Culinary Arts/Action Skills Demo

It was moved by Member Lundstedt and seconded by Member Delli Paoli to approve the IHSA Membership Renewals for LHS and VHHS.

On a roll call vote: AYE: Arthur, Delli Paoli, Groody, Lundstedt, Oberrieder and Sugarman. NAY: None. Absent: Mauer. The motion carried. Addendum #50.

- Superintendent Lea acknowledged the following donations:
 - Fishing gear to the LHS Fishing club from Mr. Ron Urick of Prairie Grove
 - No cost printing services for the VHHS Social Norms Poster from Mr. Kevin Donovan of Signal Graphics Printing in Mundelein
- Superintendent Lea informed the Board that 6 FOIA requests were received and responses provided.
- Superintendent Lea reminded everyone of the upcoming School Finance 101 Classes on May 4th at the Libertyville Village Hall and on June 1st at the Vernon Hills Village Hall.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- President Groody extended an invitation for general public comment, including a review of the three-minute guidelines. Former D128 School Board President, Anne Landgraf, thanked Judy Sugarman and Marsha Oberrieder for the time and effort devoted to serving on the D128 School Board. Comments and concerns were received from LHS cheerleading parents regarding coaching contracts and development of coaching skills.

CONSENT VOTE AGENDA

It was moved by Member Lundstedt and seconded by Member Delli Paoli to approve the Consent Vote Agenda as presented.

- a) Approval of Regular Board Meeting Minutes of March 22, 2011
- b) Approval of Closed Session Meeting Minutes of March 22, 2011 (*remain in closed file*)
- c) Employment of Employees
 - 1) Certified Staff
 - a) Rehires

- 1) Caitlin Bye, Mathematics, LHS (*full-time*)
- 2) Avelino Cortez , English, VHHS (*full-time*)
- 3) Rebeca Garcia, Special Services, VHHS (*part-time*)
- 4) Michael Gluskin, English, LHS (*full-time*)
- 5) Erin Jaffe, Dance, VHHS (*part-time*)
- 6) Rebecca Kinnee, English, LHS (*full-time*)
- 7) Adam Lueken, Mathematics, VHHS (*part-time*)
- 8) Adam McCloud, Special Services, VHHS (*part-time*)
- 9) Michael Mullaney, PE/Health/Drivers Ed, VHHS (*part-time*)
- 10) Sandra Pardys, International Languages (*Spanish*), LHS (*part-time*)
- 11) Tiffany Rafiner, Science, LHS (*full-time*)
- 12) Jamie Reuben, International Languages (*Latin*), LHS (*part-time*)
- 13) Adam Stuart, PE/Health/Drivers Ed, LHS (*full-time*)
- 14) David Tribley, Fine & Performing Arts (*Music*), VHHS (*part-time*)
- 15) Loretta Wasielewski, Family and Consumer Science, LHS (*part-time*)
- b) New Hire
 - 1) Tingting Zhao, Mandarin Chinese, LHS/VHHS (*full-time*)
- c) Replacement Hires
 - 1) Alicia Abood, English, VHHS (*part-time*)
 - 2) Lindsay Bransen, Social Worker, LHS (*full-time*)
 - 3) Elisabeth Richards, Department 1 – Business, VHHS (*part-time*)
- 2) Support Staff
 - a) Retirement
 - 1) Linda Van Howe, Secretary (*Buildings and Grounds*), VHHS
 - b) Resignation
 - 1) Cheryl Rice, Monitor, VHHS
 - c) Replacement Hire
 - 1) Timothy Akers, PT Monitor, LHS
- 3) Coaching/Extracurricular Activities
 - a) New Hires
 - 1) Matt Crowley, Girls’ Soccer Assistant Coach, LHS
 - 2) Michael Dolan, Girls’ Soccer Assistant Coach, LHS
 - b) Non-Renewal
 - 1) Cory Deacon, Cheer Head Coach, LHS
 - c) Resignations:
 - 1) Nikki Lazzaretto, Varsity Poms, LHS
 - d) Replacements:
 - 1) David Cauble, Boys’ Lacrosse Assistant Coach, LHS
 - 2) Jim Goodwin, Boys’ Golf Assistant Coach, LHS
 - 3) David Kreutz, Boys’ Lacrosse Assistant Coach, LHS
- d) Destruction of Closed Session Audio Recordings of September 23, 2009
- e) Disposal of Obsolete Equipment
- f) Bills Payable & Supplemental Bill List
- g) Contracts over \$1000
- h) Treasurer’s Report

On a roll call vote: AYE: Delli Paoli, Groody, Lundstedt, Oberrieder, Sugarman and Arthur. NAY: None. Absent: Mauer. The motion carried. Addendum #51.

PROGRAM AND PERSONNEL

It was moved by Member Oberrieder and seconded by Member Arthur to approve the second reading and adoption of Board Policies 4:15 Identity Protection (Operational Services) and 6:150 Home and Hospital Instruction (Instruction).

On a roll call vote: AYE: Groody, Lundstedt, Oberrieder, Sugarman, Arthur and Delli Paoli. NAY: None. Absent: Mauer. The motion carried. Addendum #52.

It was moved by Member Arthur and seconded by Member Oberrieder to approve the Code of Conduct Revision as presented.

On a roll call vote: AYE: Lundstedt, Oberrieder, Sugarman, Arthur, Delli Paoli and Groody. NAY: None. Absent: Mauer. The motion carried. Addendum #53.

It was moved by Member Lundstedt and seconded by Member Oberrieder to approve the 2011-2012 Ombudsman Education Service Renewal Contract.

On a roll call vote: AYE: Oberrieder, Sugarman, Arthur, Delli Paoli, Groody and Lundstedt. NAY: None. Absent: Mauer. The motion carried. Addendum #54.

It was moved by Member Delli Paoli and seconded by Member Arthur to approve the Educational Tour Request as presented:

- VHHS WYSE Team State Competition, University of Illinois, Urbana, IL – April 11&12, 2011

On a roll call vote: AYE: Sugarman, Arthur, Delli Paoli, Groody, Lundstedt and Oberrieder. NAY: None. Absent: Mauer. The motion carried. Addendum #55.

It was moved by Member Oberrieder and seconded by Member Lundstedt to approve the Employment of Employees as presented.

- 1) Certified Staff Replacement Hire
 - a) Casey Aubin, Social Studies Teacher, FT, LHS
 - b) Christopher Davis, PE Teacher, PT, LHS
 - c) Kristin Johnson, FACS (Applied Arts) Teacher, PT, VHHS
 - d) Patrick Marshall, Science Teacher, PT, LHS

On a roll call vote: AYE: Arthur, Delli Paoli, Groody, Lundstedt, Oberrieder and Sugarman. NAY: None. Absent: Mauer. The motion carried. Addendum #56.

FACILITIES AND FINANCE

It was moved by Member Sugarman and seconded by Member Lundstedt to award the LHS Concession Stand bid to Workmaster, Inc. of Des Plaines in the amount of \$98,100 for the base bid.

On a roll call vote: AYE: Delli Paoli, Groody, Lundstedt, Oberrieder, Sugarman and Arthur. NAY: None. Absent: Mauer. The motion carried. Addendum #57.

It was moved by Member Delli Paoli and seconded by Member Lundstedt to award the School Bus Fuel bid – joint purchase with Districts 70 & 73 to Mohr Oil. President Groody noted that this is a shared service with two of our feeder districts even though we are not a consolidated district.

On a roll call vote: AYE: Groody, Lundstedt, Oberrieder, Sugarman, Arthur and Delli Paoli. NAY: None. Absent: Mauer. The motion carried. Addendum #58.

PROPERTY COMMITTEE

No Report.

SEDOL

Delegate Lundstedt noted that the next quarterly SEDOL meeting is scheduled for June 8, 2011.

IASB

No Report. President Groody expressed gratitude to Members Oberrieder and Sugarman for their service to the Board and Community.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved by Member Sugarman and seconded by Member Oberrieder to adjourn the meeting at 8:04 p.m.

A voice vote was taken with all members present voting aye. NAY: None. ABSENT: Ellen Mauer.

Respectfully submitted,

Marsha Oberrieder, Secretary

Patrick Groody, President