

Hinsdale 86

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**October 2, 2017  
Facilities Meeting**

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**Capacity of Hinsdale Central and Hinsdale South**

Representatives from the District's architect ARCON reviewed the capacity of Hinsdale Central and Hinsdale South and explained how they calculate capacity. Factoring in the way the buildings are using classroom spaces in the 2017-18 school year, ARCON revised the capacity calculations presented to the Board in January 2016 and stated that capacity at Hinsdale Central is 2,622 students and capacity at Hinsdale South is 1,775 students.

**Master Facilities Plan: Prioritizing Projects at Hinsdale Central and South**

The Facilities Committee agreed to hold a Facilities Committee meeting October 10 to discuss their prioritization of projects identified in the Master Facilities Plan for Hinsdale Central and Hinsdale South.

Please consult the MFP tab on the District web page for detailed Master Facilities Plan information.

**October 2, 2017  
Committee of the Whole Meeting**

**Good News**

Hinsdale Central Principal William Walsh congratulated the Central students named National Merit Commended Scholars. Mr. Walsh also congratulated Anushka Nair, for having her painting, *Shifting Perspectives*, selected for the Art.Write.Now. Tour 2017-2018; a traveling exhibition of curated works from the 2017 Scholastic Art & Writing Awards. Hinsdale South Principal Arwen Pokorny Lyp congratulated South's National Merit Semifinalists and Commended Scholars. Ms. Pokorny Lyp also congratulated the boys golf team for clinching the West Suburban Conference Gold championship. Coach Richerson reported that all the five seniors on the team are All Academic, All Conference.

## **Consent Agenda**

The Board approved the consent agenda as amended. The consent agenda includes personnel, stipends, board bills, and meeting minutes.

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## **Action Items**

### **Create Family / Community Engagement Committee (Policy 2:150)**

The Board creates Board committees, and the Board discussed the creation of a Family/Community Engagement Committee. Board members agreed to table the item until the October 16 meeting when the item will be brought back.

### **Approve Copay Change for PPO and HMO Plans**

The Board voted to authorize Human Resources to implement copay changes for District 86 PPO and HMO plans as agreed upon at the September 12 Insurance Committee meeting with representatives from all three bargaining units.

### **Summer Construction 2018**

The Board voted to approve Administration's recommendations for summer 2018 construction projects. The recommendations assume the Dectron unit at Hinsdale Central will be repaired not replaced as indicated in another agenda item below.

### **Mullin Coughlin LLC**

The Board voted to approve Mullin Coughlin LLC as a legal advisor to the Board.

## **Board – President's Report**

### **President's Report**

No report.

## **Board – Committee Reports**

### **Finance Committee Report**

The Finance Committee provided an oral report to the Board from the September 29 Finance Committee meeting. The Board then discussed forecast assumptions brought forward from the Finance Committee meeting.

## **Administration**

### **Superintendent**

#### **Elementary PTO Meeting Update**

Superintendent Dr. Bruce Law provided an update to the Board regarding the town hall meetings he has been holding with elementary PTOs. Dr. Law reported that he is concerned about the level of distress in the community and has heard at every meeting that people are more concerned about the needs of the facilities than enrollment issues. Dr. Law recommended to the Board that the District apply the expenditures allocated to

the mailer, online survey and phone poll to engaging the community about the needs of the District's facilities. The Board gave Administration direction not to send a mailer nor will there be an online survey or phone poll about enrollment at this time.

### **Start of School Report**

As the Superintendent does each year at this time, Dr. Law provided the Board with the Start of School Report. Using the September 30 date numbers as required by the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE), Dr. Law provided the enrollment counts for the current year and for the previous two years. In the reporting, Dr. Law noted the difference between "home" school and "serving" school. A student's "home" school refers to the student's attendance area school and is determined by the student's home address. The "serving" school indicates where the student is educated.

### **Academics**

#### **1:1 Instructional Initiative Readiness Report**

Led by Assistant Superintendent for Academics Pam Bylsma, Administration provided the Board with a comprehensive look at the District's preparations for the implementation of 1:1 instructional initiative in the fall of 2018. Readiness levels as they relate to technology infrastructure, Chromebook support, teacher knowledge and skills, student connectivity, and financial implications were some of the essential features that were examined in the report.

#### **Summer School 2017 Report**

Ms. Bylsma and Summer School Principal Kelly Owens presented the Board with a summary of the 2017 Summer School program, including information on course offerings, enrollments, financial trends and budget analysis. A proposed calendar for summer school 2018 was also submitted.

#### **New Course Proposals**

The Board approves all new course proposals. Administration proposed two new courses for the 2018-19 academic year are "Guitar I: Beginning Guitar" and "Guitar II: Advanced Guitar" as recommended by the Hinsdale Central Music Department Chair. All courses for next year must be listed in the Program of Studies that will be presented for approval in November.

#### **Academic Report on Student Performance and Achievement Measures**

Ms. Bylsma provided the annual Academic Report on Student Performance and Achievement Measures will be reviewed, including the data on the following 2016-17 assessments: ACT, SAT, Advanced Placement, ACCESS 2.0 for English Language Learners, and Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test (PSAT)/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (NMSQT). The report included test data, highlighted areas of celebration and growth, and considered current, as well as future, action regarding these performance indicators

### **Business**

### **Dectron Unit Report Update**

As requested by the Board, Chief Financial Officer Josh Stephenson presented the report on the Dectron and air handling unit at Central that will detail the scope of work and timeline for repairs.

### **2017 Levy Forecast Assumptions**

The Board discussed forecast assumptions from the Finance Committee's meeting on September 29. These assumptions will be used to build the levy the Board will consider in December to fund operations for the 2019 fiscal year. As part of the conversation, the Board talked about whether to abate all, none or a portion of the \$500,000 payment to the Debt Services Fund in fiscal year 19. The Board asked if there might be other ways to cover the costs of the planned implementation of the 1:1 instructional initiative as presented for the 2018-19 school year. The Board will continue to discuss these items in November when Administration brings levy assumptions.

The meeting adjourned at 10:10 p.m.

### **Future Board Meetings**

**October 10, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.**

Hinsdale South High School  
Facilities Committee Meeting

**October 16, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.**

Hinsdale South High School  
Regular Action Meeting