



West Northfield School District 31

Board Briefs

Board of Education Regular Meeting — November 29, 2012

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Board of Education meetings are held on the second and/or fourth Thursdays of the month at 7 p.m. in the Learning Center at Field School. The public is invited to attend.

PTC Report: Terah Bozarth, PTC Vice President of Publicity, reported that the PTC is planning its annual Family Bingo Night on Friday, January 25.

Consent Agenda Approval: The Board approved the Consent Agenda. Highlights include:

- Approving Field staff member Mary Matan to receive names of Field students interested in participating in an Educational Tours field trip to Springfield in spring 2013.
- Accepting donations for the Dan Razes Memorial Fund. Total donations to date for this new scholarship program are \$5,831. This amount is in addition to the \$1,000 already in the Senior Grant Fund that is being allocated to the Dan Razes Memorial Fund.
- Adopting a new Board Policy on Student Teachers.

Action Items:

- The Board approved the Resolution Regarding the Estimated Amounts Necessary to be Levied for the Year 2012 and approved setting December 20, 7 p.m. in the Field Learning Center as the public hearing date for the tax levy. The 2012 tax levy includes any new property / revenues to which the District is entitled. The District has learned that the first year Astellas will trigger the use of the 7b tax incentive will be tax year 2013, which is payable to the District in 2014. Since Astellas received an Occupancy Permit in April 2012, the assessed value for the Astellas property is being taken into account for levy year 2012.
- The Board approved adding a section on Suicide Ideation or Threat into the District's Emergency and Crisis Plan.
- The Board adopted a Community Relations policy on Advertising and Distributing Materials in Schools Provided by Non-School Related Entities effective immediately.

Information and Discussion Items

Residency: Cathy Lauria, Director of Business Services, shared information with the Board about companies that can be hired to verify student residency. The Board requested that the administration bring specific cases for their review before using this service.

Glenstar Development Update: Mrs. Lauria reported on attending the Glenview Plan Commission Meeting on November 27 regarding the new Glenstar development adjacent to Astellas. The property will include an apartment complex with 290 (studio, one bedroom and two bedroom) units with rents between \$1,275 and \$2,700 monthly. The number of District 31 students projected to live in the complex was estimated to be 9. Current plans include a Mariano's grocery store, a daycare center, a fitness club, and a Starbuck's drive-through. If the plan is approved by the Village of Glenview, District 31 may be able to anticipate future annual tax revenue of approximately \$1.8 million, according to the fiscal study provided to the District by the developers.

Board Report: Bonnie Schoenberg updated the Board regarding the Foundation's ACT NOW: Advancing Classroom Technology campaign and the upcoming Winter Benefit on February 9.

Next Meeting: The Board will meet at 7 p.m. on Thursday, December 20, in the Field School Learning Center, 2055 Landwehr Road, Northbrook.