

BOARD BRIEFS



Lake Park High School District 108, Roselle, IL

May 23, 2016

Public Hearings

Intent to Effect Interfund Transfer

The purpose of the Public Hearing was to receive public comments on the proposal to transfer the amount of \$500,000.00 from the Transportation Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund of the District pursuant to Section 17-2A of the *Illinois School Code*, to be used for maintaining, improving or repairing school buildings and expenses related thereto.

Amendment to the 2015-2016 Budget

Before the FY16 Budget could be amended, a Public Hearing was required to allow comments and concerns to be addressed. As discussed at last month's meeting, the FY16 Budget needed to be amended to reflect budget changes within the Capital Improvement Fund. The Administration recommended reallocating General State Aid and Corporate Personal Property Replacement Tax (CPPRT) from the Education Fund to the Capital Improvement Fund. These additional funds will support the HVAC and lighting projects that the Board of Education previously approved.

Discussion Items

Food Service Contract with Sodexo

Assistant Superintendent for Business Services Dr. Jeff O'Connell explained that the existing one-year contract with Sodexo expires on June 30, 2016. The proposed contract for FY17 continues with the same terms, except for Sodexo's arrangements with Consolidated Community School District 59. In March 2016, Sodexo notified CCSD 59 that it would be terminating its contract to prepare and deliver meals from the satellite site on a daily basis. Although this decision decreases Lake Park's revenue by approximately \$49,000 per year, the issues with building security due to daily deliveries will be eliminated. The administration has been pleased with the management team and services. The new contract would commence July 1, 2016.

Solar Energy Initiative: Installation of Solar Panels

Since January, the administration and Performance Services Inc. (PSI) have been involved in numerous discussions to determine if solar is a viable project for the District. It has been determined by the administration, PSI and legal counsel, that the proposed project can provide a benefit to the District. This initiative will provide annual savings of approximately \$395,000. The system will reduce the reliance on electricity, provide at least five years of incentive dollars to offset the cost of installing the system, and provide a green footprint. This initiative has been reviewed by the Village of Roselle administration, who ensure that Lake Park would not violate any Village Codes by utilizing the roofs for solar panels.

The [solar energy fact sheet](#) highlights the number of roof top panels at each campus as well as financing options of this \$4.4 million budget, which reflects projected savings of \$400,000 effective in Year I. Action will be taken during a Special Board Meeting on Thursday, June 2 at 7:30 a.m.

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2016 Commencement

The graduation ceremony for the Class of 2016 is scheduled for Thursday, May 26, 2016 at 7 p.m. at the Sears Centre in Hoffman Estates.

View the [graduation website](#) for more information including a schedule of events, directions to the venue as well as parking lot information for visitors.



Action Items

New Course Proposals for 2017-18

Curriculum Council's recommendation for two new course proposals were approved for implementation in the 2017-18 school year.

- ◆ **Introduction to Biotechnology** - a one semester elective course offered at East Campus for students in Grade 10.
- ◆ **AP Computer Science Principals** - a one-year elective Advanced Placement course offered at both campus (based on enrollment) available for students in Grades 10, 11 and 12.

Section 125 Flexible Benefit Plan

The District has had a Section 125 Flexible Benefit Plan in place since 1994. The Plan has been amended from time to time to ensure compliance with all current legal requirements and to make changes in the Plan consistent with various options the District has agreed to implement. The Board approved the current version of the Plan document, which was amended to make necessary edits to ensure compliance with current regulations and in connection with the change in the District's third party administrator for the Plan benefits.

Insurance Recommendation

Discovery Benefits was approved as the District's third party administrator to manage the Flexible Spending Account/Health Reimbursement Account program. Board members also approved a Memorandum of Understanding implementing this change in benefit to ensure the plan complies with the Affordable Care Act.

Desired Transfer of Funds

The Board adopted the Resolution to Effect Interfund Transfer of the specified amount from the Transportation Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund.

Amended Budget for 2015-16 FY

The Board approved the [Amended Budget](#) for the 2015-16 Fiscal Year.

Recognition of Bob Ungaro

Board member Bob Marino, Superintendent Dr. Panega and Assistant Superintendent Dr. O'Connell delivered thoughtful remarks about Bob Ungaro, Director of Operations and Maintenance, who attended his last Board meeting prior to his June 30, 2016 retirement.

They all expressed shared admiration for his ability from working hands-on whether plowing snow or mowing the campuses to delivering Boardroom presentations about capital expenses, building projects and more. He's lauded for his pride, passion and for saving the District thousands of dollars on projects that will have a lasting legacy at Lake Park.

Some of his most notable accomplishments include his involvement in the Ryder Cup, the installation of field turf, building the Transition Center and recent construction of the Memorial Gardens. Best wishes to Bob!

Superintendent's Report

Dr. Panega shared assessment updates and previewed proposed legislation.

- The campus administration and staff were credited for navigating a very rigorous assessment season that included PARCC testing, AP exams, a new state mandated Science Assessment and final exams.
- [Through written testimony](#), Dr. Panega urged legislators to vote 'no' against Senate Bill 4362, which proposes high schools have a choice between ACT or SAT for college admission and school accountability. Districts in DuPage and Lake Counties are rallying opposition to maintain only one assessment.
- Lake Park is also keeping a watchful eye on Senate Bill 231, legislation that would overhaul the school funding formula in Illinois. The negative impact of this vote could cost the District approximately \$1.5 million.

Lake Park Quick Links

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The next meeting of the Lake Park High School District 108 Board of Education will be held on Monday, June 27, 2016 at 7 p.m. in the East Campus Community Room, 600 S. Medinah Road.