

# BOARD BRIEFS



Lake Park High School District 108, Roselle, IL

November 23, 2015

## Discussion Item

Director of Operations and Maintenance Bob Ungaro shared a proposal to replace four existing pieces of grounds equipment that are 15 years or older. He proposed purchasing a Polaris Brutus Utility Vehicle with cab, heater and diesel engine, including a 66" snow brush, 60" snow blower and 72" mower. The cost for all items through government bid pricing is \$32,125.64. In the spring, the old equipment will be sold by public sale to offset the cost of the new equipment.

## Action Items

### EL Coordinator Stipend

Last month the Board discussed a proposal recommending the addition of an English Learner (EL) Coordinator Stipend to Appendix F of the negotiated agreement. Over the past five years, the increased EL population and tracking requirements of the Illinois State Board of Education demonstrated the need to add this position.

Board members approved a stipend of \$1,000.00 per school year and the appointment of Patricia Klein to the position for the 2015-2016 school year.

### East Campus Copier Lease

Last month Assistant Superintendent for Business Services Dr. Jeff O'Connell shared a proposal to replace the existing print/copy/scan systems at the East Campus Duplication Center. The new equipment will provide faster copying speeds and larger paper capacity.

The Board approved a cost-neutral lease. The current annual lease cost for equipment and service is approximately \$72,687.00. The proposed new annual lease and service cost will be \$71,643.00. This is a lease with a \$1.00 buy-out at the end of the term.

### Purchase of 10-Passenger Ford Transit Van

During the October board meeting, discussion occurred regarding the purchase of a 10-passenger Ford transit van to provide another mode of transportation for various programs.

Board members approved the recommendation to purchase a Ford Transit 10-passenger van from Landmark Ford, Springfield, Illinois under the State bid contract. The cost of the vehicle is \$26,219.00. This vehicle meets the requirements for transporting students as outlined by the Illinois State Board of Education.

### Tax Levy Resolution for the 2015 Tax Year

The Board approved the Tax Levy Resolution for the Tax Year 2015, estimating \$43,071,500 to be the amount necessary to be levied for the year 2015. This amount does not exceed 105% of the taxes extended on the 2014 aggregate levy for the District.

*The next meeting of the Lake Park High School District 108 Board of Education will be held on Monday, December 14, 2015 at 7 p.m. in the East Campus Community Room, 600 S. Medinah Road.*

## Superintendent's Report

Dr. Panega thanked teachers, Board of Education members and wished everyone a very Happy Thanksgiving!

- American Education Week was celebrated November 16-20. Teachers were commended for going "above and beyond" this year, especially for their willingness to cover the classes of colleagues as a substitute teacher shortage impacts Lake Park and Illinois. The need for subs does not reflect increased absenteeism, but rather high demand created by our staff on leaves of absence as well as staff participating in on-site training and professional development.

To address the shortage, the District is considering increasing the rate of pay, establishing two permanent sub positions for three days a week, and initiating additional personal contact with substitutes.

- Sunday, November 15 marked the official statewide observance of School Board Members Day in Illinois. District 108 Board members were recognized for their vision, leadership, and service to students and our communities.
- The math department has submitted a proposal to offer Honors Geometry as a summer school course, which will provide more opportunities to help students advance in sequence.
- Lake Park and the TMA Education Foundation hosted a manufacturing round-table at the West Campus Innovation Center for local school districts to discuss best practices and programming.

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