

# Board Briefs

*A report of items discussed and actions taken at the January 17, 2017, Regularly Scheduled Meeting of the Board of Education*

**Board of Education:**

Mr. Bob Hiatt, President  
Mr. John Corcoran, Vice President  
Mrs. Natalie Watkins, Secretary  
Mr. Neil DeSimone  
Mr. Dan Dolgner  
Mrs. Jennifer Gusentine  
Mrs. Laurie Scheer

**Administration Office**

1750 W. Plainfield Road  
La Grange, IL 60525

**Administration:**

Dr. Patricia Viniard, Superintendent  
Mrs. Ali Beiermeister, Director of Teaching & Learning  
Mr. Eric DePorter, Director of Operations  
Mr. Brian Graber, Elementary School Principal  
Mr. Michael Papierski, Middle School Principal

## *Board Election*

President Hiatt reported that December 19th was the last day for school board candidates to file nominating papers for the school board election on April 4, 2017. Highlands has 4 full-term seats available and only three candidates filed. If no one files to be a "Write-In" candidate by February 2nd, it will be the Board's responsibility to appoint the person for the remaining seat. Mr. Hiatt reviewed the process for appointing a Board member, which includes a call for applications and an interview process. The Board will have 45 days to make an appointment.

## *1st Reading of the 2017-18 School Calendar*

Dr. Viniard reviewed the draft calendar for the 2017-18 school year. As in previous years, the goal is to align as closely as possible to the Lyons Township High School calendar. The opening day, Institute days, quarter dates, early dismissal dates, winter break, spring break, and late start dates were reviewed. The second reading and approval will be at the next Board meeting in February. The 8th grade graduation date will also be set at the February Board meeting.

## *Personnel*

The Board accepted/approved the resignation of a part-time crossing guard and part-time lunchroom/recess monitor; and accepted the employment of a part-time lunchroom/recess monitor.

*Your Board Also:*

1. Approved the minutes of the December 20, 2016 regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education.
2. Approved the December 20, 2016 Closed Session meeting of the Board of Education.
3. Approved the January 2017 Bills Payable.
4. Approved the December 2016 Financial Report.
5. Approved the December 30, 2016 payroll in the amount of \$414,271.41, and the January 13, 2017, payroll in the amount of \$442,314.14.
6. Approved the first reading of revised Board Policies.
7. Approved the second reading of revised Board Policies.
8. Approved the resolution designating Mr. Eric DePorter, Director of Operations/CSBO, to prepare the 2017-18 Tentative Budget.

*Future Agenda Items (The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Board of Education will be held Tuesday, February 21, 2017, in the LRC at 1750 W. Plainfield Road, La Grange, IL 60525.*

1. Approve the 2017-18 School Calendar - 2nd Reading (February)
2. Set 8th Grade Graduation Date (February)
3. 2nd Reading of Revised Board Policies (February)
4. EL Update (March)
5. Winter MAP Report (February)
6. LRC Planning Update (February / March)

**Have comments for the Board of Education?**

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