

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS



GLENBARD TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 87, GLEN ELLYN, ILLINOIS

November 29, 2010 Board of Education meeting

Glenbard North High School

Present – President Rose Malcolm, Robert Friend, Rich Heim, Yadav Nathwani, Steve Sebby, Tom Trefilek and F. Thomas Voltaggio.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

Congratulations to Glenbard East senior Nathan Peterson on earning the rank of Eagle Scout. His Eagle Court of Honor will be held on Dec. 18. Nathan's Eagle project involved building and preparing an organic garden bed and fence for St. Paul Lutheran Church in Wheaton, with all of the fresh produce being donated to the People's Resource Center in Wheaton.

Glenbard East hosted the Rachel Bach girls basketball tournament last week. In addition to our four schools, Downers Grove North High School also participated. The tournament is named in memory of 1996 East graduate Rachel Bach, who passed away one week before leaving for her freshman year at college in August 1996. Rachel's parents founded the Rachel Bach Memorial Scholarship fund. Each May, one deserving female athlete/musician from East receives a \$1,000 award to the college of her choice. The scholarship is administered through PEP (Partnership for Educational Progress). The proceeds from the Rachel Bach Basketball Tournament are added to this scholarship fund.

Glenbard West hosted the District 87 Thanksgiving Tournament boys basketball tournament last week. This is a great opportunity to bring together teams from our four high schools. We are One Glenbard, and this tournament is an important community building event.

Members of our Board of Education and leadership team attended the IASB IASA IASBO 78th Joint Annual Conference in Chicago earlier this month. This conference is key to higher level functioning to accomplish the goals outlined in our strategic plan. With so many developments in education today, professional development opportunities such as the Joint Annual Conference are particularly valuable to educational leaders committed to continuous improvement and growth.

Students at the Technology Center of DuPage experience valuable interaction with professionals in a variety of fields. Last week, students in the culinary arts program worked with Certified Executive Chef Robert Walter, who taught the students how to prepare sushi. Walter is the former Certified Executive Chef of the Great Lakes Naval Base and spent a good deal of time in Japan. He provided our students with hands-on lessons for sushi rolling. We are fortunate to have TCD as a partner in educating our students. The preparation students receive at TCD gives them an advantage as they enter the workforce or continue their education.

THE BOARD APPROVED:

- minutes from the Nov. 15 regular meeting and the Nov. 15 closed session meeting.

- the following personnel item:

SUPPORT STAFF – RESIGNATIONS & TERMINATIONS:

Name	School/Subject	Effective Date
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Henderson, Lisa East/Computer Lab Assistant 11/18/10

- the permanent transfer of \$284,685 from the Operations and Maintenance Fund to the Debt Service Fund and a permanent transfer of \$383,788 from the Education Fund to the Debt Service Fund. Under the new Illinois Program Accounting Manual, expenditures for debt and related interest expenses are to be paid out of the Debt Service Fund (Fund #31). However, the Debt Service Fund only receives tax levy funds for referendum debt that was tax levied. This would leave the Debt Service Fund in a negative balance position. Therefore, a permanent transfer of \$284,685 from the Operations and Maintenance Fund and a permanent transfer of \$383,788 from the Education Fund must be made to the Debt Service Fund to prevent a negative balance position.

- two field trips.

- a \$2,500 donation from Clarke Packing & Crating to be used for private lesson scholarships for chamber music and sectionals at Glenbard South High School.

- adopting the 2010 Tax Levy. Our proposed property tax levy submission, excluding the Bond and Interest Levy, is \$107,650,000, which represents a 4.94 percent increase over the prior year's aggregate tax extension. School districts will generally levy a dollar amount higher than the expected or "most likely" amount for two primary reasons: 1) If the district's levy request is lower than what the county calculates, the district is only entitled up to the amount requested (it is prudent to request a higher amount to ensure that we do not under-levy); 2) At this point, we have not finalized our required levy allocation by fund. Therefore, we intend on requesting higher amounts in each fund to make sure that when we finalize our levy allocation by fund (March/April 2011) that we have the opportunity to levy up to the requisite amount. DuPage County will calculate our property tax extension pursuant to the tax cap, taking into account the Consumer Price Index and new construction.

BOARD INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS INCLUDED:

- the Academic Excellence Celebration. The ceremony celebrates the exceptional achievement of dozens of Glenbard District 87 students. A student representative from each school spoke about what his or her Glenbard education means to them. The following are the 2010 Academic Excellence Celebration honorees: National Merit Semifinalists: Cole Batty, Daniel Greco, Olivia Heath, Caitlin Kozack, Karen Lipa, Kevin Minkus, Andrew Smith, Cathryn Volk, Ellen Wendte and Philip Woods. National Merit Commended Students: Julian Acasio, William Carr, Geordan Chapman, Cassie Christenson, Sarah Dayon, Andrew Erwin, Tatsuya Hayashi, Anthony Hesser, Kevin Homa, Lily Jacobi, Nicholas Langhammer, Harrison Meyer, Ellen Mulvihill, Haley Naebig, Mit Patel, Ahmad Mansoor Safi, Mary Scheibel, Lauren Sedall, Garrett Stalker, Sara Taege, Kevin Vondrak, Taylor Yangas and Kate Zamora. Perfect ACT score: Cole Batty, Cassie Christenson, Daniel Greco, Daniel Motel, Andrew Smith and Philip Woods.

- a report by Glenbard North Principal John Mensik, Assistant Principal of Instruction John Healy and summer school Principal Romelle Taylor on the school's academic status. The North team presented information that included data in the following areas: summer school, advanced placement, graduation rate, Explore-Plan-ACT growth and Prairie State Achievement Exam testing.

- the Glenbard North/Glenbard East Boys Cooperative Swim Team. Mary Peters, a Glenbard East parent, has submitted a proposal for a boy's cooperative swim team. Peters, along with Glenbard

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North parent Gina Gravina, have met with Matt Bowser, Assistant Principal for Athletics at Glenbard North, to discuss the cooperative. Peters requested that the Boy's Cooperative Swim Team be recognized as a parent-funded sport for the 2011-2012 school year.

- first reading of Policy 4:30 *Revenue and Investments*, Policy 7:190 *Student Discipline* and Policy 7:285 *Allergy Policy*.

- district improvement plans. Rising Star is a Web-based system implemented by the Illinois State Board of Education for use with district and/or school improvement teams to inform, coach, sustain, track, and report improvement activities. As part of the pilot group, Glenbard District 87 will work with a DuPage Regional Office of Education representative throughout the year and submit the district improvement plan in an electronic format. The first phase of this program requires a formal review of the documents listed below by district administrators and Board approval of the Local Board Action Report:

1. District Improvement Plan Objectives Form - Objectives related to 2010 Adequate Yearly Progress
2. Local Board Action Report - Assurance and Superintendent's certification
3. Corrective Action Schools Form - District 87 does not have schools in Corrective Action, based on 2010 data.
4. Restructuring (Plan II Form) - We have no schools in Restructuring Planning, based on 2010 data.
5. Essential Elements - Implementation Plan
6. Alignment between Glenbard Strategic Priorities and State/Federal Improvement Indicators

Rising Star will guide Glenbard District 87 and the school-level improvement teams through a continuous cycle of assessment, planning, implementation, and progress tracking.

The next meeting of the Glenbard Board of Education will be held at 7 p.m. Monday, Dec. 13, at the Administration Center, 596 Crescent Blvd. in Glen Ellyn.