

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS



GLENBARD TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 87, GLEN ELLYN, ILLINOIS

September 27, 2010 Board of Education meeting

Glenbard West High School

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

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

1. A \$1,510 donation was received from Target "Take Charge of Education" to be used at Glenbard West High School (half to the Glenbard West Library and half to student services to fund items for students with financial need.)
2. Nominating petition forms for the April 5, 2011 school board election in Glenbard District 87 are now available. Forms may be picked up in the office of the board secretary at the Administration Center between 8 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. on any business day. A school board candidate's petition must be filed in the same office no earlier than 8 a.m. Monday, Dec. 13, and no later than 5 p.m., Monday, Dec. 20. Three seats on the seven-member Glenbard Board of Education will be filled at the April 5 election. Candidates elected will serve four-year terms expiring in April 2015. The terms of Board President Rose Malcolm and Board members Steve Seby and Tom Trefilek expire in April 2011.
3. Our Business Education Council hosted its first Cooperative Education Student Job Fair on Sept. 17, and the event was wonderfully successful. During the job fair, students had the opportunity to meet several local employers. We appreciate these employers' interest in considering our students for work within their organizations. We appreciate DeVry University, Elmhurst College and the College of DuPage partnering with us on this important event. We look forward to making the Student Job Fair an annual event.
4. We are proud to be one of the sponsors of the annual Glendale Heights Family Health and Safety Fair. The fair will be held on Oct. 6 in the Glendale Heights Sports Hub. Thousands of families attend this annual community event, which features a large variety of exhibits. The goal is to make families aware of the variety of services that contribute to a safe and healthy family and community.
5. Superintendent Mike Meissen and Board President Rose Malcolm will represent Glenbard District at the Shape of Carol Stream on Sept. 29. This community event brings together representatives of Carol Stream's taxing bodies to update the community on happenings within the town and answer residents' questions.
6. This is a great time of year in a high school district. We are celebrating homecoming in all of our schools. These are wonderful celebrations of school spirit and a great opportunity to welcome alumni and the community to our schools. The following are the homecoming highlights:

Glenbard East

East celebrated homecoming last week. Activities included a powder puff football game, the varsity football game against Naperville Central and the homecoming dance.

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Glenbard North

The Powder Puff game is planned for Sept. 28, and fans are encouraged to stay after the game for the annual bonfire. The homecoming court will be crowned during the pep rally on Oct. 1. At 7:30 p.m. Oct. 1, the Panthers will take on Glenbard East in the homecoming varsity football game. The homecoming dance is on Oct. 2.

Glenbard South

Homecoming week began today. Games night is under way on the football field. The girls volleyball team will host Volley for the Cure on Sept. 30. Also on Sept. 30, the Boosters will host a barbecue at 5 p.m. on the football field. We will conclude the evening with a community pep rally at 7 p.m. The Raiders will take on Bloom Township in the homecoming football game at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 1. The homecoming dance is on Oct. 2.

Glenbard West

Pep rally in Biester gym on Oct. 1, followed by a bonfire on the north practice field. The Boosters will sponsor a pancake breakfast on Oct. 2, in West's cafeteria. The homecoming parade is on Oct. 2, and the homecoming game will see the Hitters take on Addison Trail at 1:30 p.m. Oct. 2. The homecoming dance will be held Oct. 2.

7. We celebrated the rededication of Memorial Field on Sept. 25. The ceremony marked the culmination of several years of planning, designing and fund raising. We are grateful for the role so many people in the community played in transforming Memorial Field into a first rate complex that boasts a full-sized multipurpose field for physical education, athletics and other co-curricular activities. The rededication ceremony included the Glendale Heights VFW Color Guard, expressions of appreciation and Glenbard West student performances, including Dance, Cheer, Marching Band and Choir. We were pleased that many of our partners, community leaders and neighbors attended the ceremony. The day also featured a soccer game and girls field hockey game. It was wonderful to see the students competing on a state-of-art field at their home campus. All of this was made possible by the collaboration and dedication of the following partners: Gain Ground: Jay Crookston, Marty Detmer, Mark Dorn, Sally Goggin and Mark Udelhofen; Glenbard West Boosters: Mark Flynn, Dave and Betsy Goltermann and Chuck and Cindy Purdom; Paul Murphy; Glen Ellyn Park District: Cory Atwell; Glenbard District 87: Mike Meissen, Chris McClain, Jane Thorsen and Bob Verisario; and Partnership for Educational Progress: Dee Manire.

THE BOARD APPROVED:

- minutes from the September 13 regular meeting and the September 13 closed session meeting.
- minutes from the September 20 special meeting and the September 20 closed session meeting.
- the following personnel items:

CERTIFIED STAFF – EMPLOYMENT:

Name	School/Subject	FTE	Effective Date
Schmeski, Justine	South/Mathematics	25%	09/13/10

SUPPORT STAFF – EMPLOYMENT:

Name	School/Subject	FTE	Effective Date
Clarke, Molly	Directions/Instructional Aide	87.5%	09/20/10

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Conant, Katherine East/Reading Aide 87.5% 09/20/10

CERTIFIED STAFF – LEAVE OF ABSENCE:

Name	School/Subject	Term	Reason
Wagner, Kristin	North/Physical Ed	11/18/10 – 01/14/11	Parental

SUPPORT STAFF – RESIGNATIONS & TERMINATIONS

Name	School/Subject	Effective Date
Kepler, Cynthia	North/Data/Secretary to API	10/29/10

- the 2010-2011 Application for Recognition of Schools. Each year, the State Board of Education requires school districts to approve the Application for Recognition of Schools. This application, completed for each school in the district, includes assurances that we have complied with statutes and directives such as state assessments, school improvement plans, book and material selection as well as food service and transportation rules.

In addition, we provide assurances that we have met state certification requirements for both non-certificated as well as certificated personnel.

- second reading of Policy 5:20 *Sexual Harassment*

Policy 7:70 *Attendance and Truancy*

Policy 4:160 *Hazardous and Infectious Materials*

Administrative Procedure 4:160-R1 *Hazardous and Infectious Materials*

Policy 6:320 *High School Credit for Proficiency*

Policy 6:300 *Graduation Requirements*

- Administrative Procedure 6:120-R2 *Access to Classrooms and Personnel*

Exhibit 6:120-E1 *Request to Access Classroom(s) or Personnel for Special Education Evaluation and/or Observation Purposes*

- field trips and educational tours.

- a \$15,000 donation from the Glenbard East Athletic Boosters.

- the 2010-2011 budget. The spending plan highlights a balanced budget in the district's operating funds. Glenbard has achieved all of the Board of Education's financial goals, including:

- Maintaining a balanced budget;
- No reliance on short-term financing, i.e. the use of tax anticipation warrants; and
- Maintaining a solvency position.

Chris McClain, Assistant Superintendent for Business Services, presented a budget that is balanced. Specifically, a budget operating performance (operating funds less debt service deficit) that is favorable in the amount of \$1.3 million.

2010-2011 Fund Summary:

Operating Funds (Education, Operations & Maintenance, Transportation and Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund)

Revenues	\$141,106,514
Expenditures	\$137,651,021

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Restricted Funds (Debt Service, Capital Projects and Working Cash)

Revenues \$ 6,276,827

Expenditures \$ 10,412,324

All Funds Revenues \$147,383,341

Expenditures \$148,063,345

- the goals of the Minority Student Achievement Committee. The committee spent 18 months working to help close the achievement gap between Black/Hispanic students and their White/Asian peers. The following are the committee's goals:

- Increase African-American/Hispanic participation in the Advanced Placement program.
- Increase African-American & Hispanic participation in co-curricular activities (athletics, theater, clubs, etc.).
- Increase the number of certified African-American & Hispanic staff members in each school and throughout the district.
- Increase African-American & Hispanic parental involvement in their child's high school experience.
- Increase the number of African-American and Hispanic students attending two- and four-year colleges.
- Create opportunities for African-American and Hispanic students to be mentored and to provide mentoring to younger students.
- Decrease negative behaviors and increase positive engagement for African-American and Hispanic students.

- the St. Charles Road and Illinois Route 53 safety hazard zone applications for submission to IDOT for review, response and approval; the proposal from Sam Schwartz to develop objective criteria for Board judgment points & further study those safety hazard zone areas within the 1.5 mile walk zone of our school sites that require 1 – 2 judgment points for consideration, for a total cost of \$8,500; and authorizing the Administration to send letters to Village officials requesting infrastructure improvements within the 1.5 mile walk zone, as appropriate. Sam Schwartz Engineering conducted a thorough study of the District 87 walk zones, for all four schools and identified two locations that meet IDOT's criteria for a Type II single hazard: Glenbard West - St. Charles Road: Riford Road to Eastern Avenue and Glenbard South - Illinois Route 53: Ahlstrand Road to Butterfield Road.

BOARD INFORMATION/DISCUSSION ITEMS INCLUDED:

- recognition of students and a teacher who helped Glenbard East bookstore manager Mike Brzezinski when he suffered a medical emergency at work. Thanks to the quick action of Glenbard East junior Catherine Priebe, senior D.J. Nack and Physical Education/Health teacher Dan Hogan, Brzezinski received quick medical attention. We commend the students and Hogan for their quick thinking, which helped Brzezinski at a critical time. They performed magnificently under tremendous pressure. Their quick response and calm nature made all the difference in an emergency situation. The 911 notification system also worked well, and we are grateful for the response of emergency medical professionals from the Lombard Fire Department. Brzezinski underwent surgery to replace a valve in his heart and has been recuperating at home. We are pleased to welcome him back to work.

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- recognition of Debra Cartwright, Glenbard North Assistant Principal for Student Services, for earning a Those Who Excel Merit Award from the Illinois State Board of Education. She was honored in the administrator category. Candidates in the administrator category are judged on the following criteria: student success, collaboration, continuous learning and leadership. Cartwright's enthusiasm, can-do spirit and strong work ethic are laudable. Through her leadership, Cartwright teaches our students the importance of hard work, collaboration and commitment. We appreciate her outstanding service to our students and their families. Cartwright will be recognized during the Those Who Excel banquet in Peoria next month.

- the Glenbard West building report. Principal Jane Thorsen and Jeff Feucht, Assistant Principal of Instruction, presented information on the academic status of the school. The West team presented data in the following areas: summer school, Advanced Placement, graduation rate, Explore to Plan to ACT growth and Prairie State Achievement Exam testing.

- first reading of Policy 5:20 *Sexual Harassment*; Policy 7:70 *Attendance and Truancy*; Policy 4: 160 *Hazardous and Infectious Materials*; Administrative Procedure 4: 160-R1 *Hazardous and Infectious Materials*; Policy 6:320 *High School Credit for Proficiency*; and Policy 6:300 *Graduation Requirements*.

- debt issue for projects. District 87 has implemented two major outdoor instructional enhancement programs. The synthetic turf projects at North and West (Memorial Field) were funded through community contributions, cost savings and Glenbard vendor commissions. All funding was not provided up front, therefore a portion of the project funds must be borrowed and paid over time to match the timing of revenue sources and cost savings. The debt service would be repaid over an 8-year time frame. The 8-year time frame represents the most conservative useful life of the synthetic turf surfaces. The Administration recommends a debt service issue of \$1.8 million, which would be repaid in equal installments over 8 years. Further, the \$1.8 million issue has been budgeted in the 2010-2011 budget as a revenue item and for initial repayment of the debt. We have engaged with Mesirow Financial to assist with this transaction.

- the summer 2010 projects/capital improvement plan. The Board of Education authorized \$4,273,450 of capital improvements to be performed during summer 2010. We managed and completed all projects on time (with the exception of the East tennis courts replacement due to a 15-day strike and nine rain days). Projects were completed \$27,875 under the original bid. Bob Verisario, director of buildings and grounds and transportation, provided a slide show that summarized project financial performance and highlighted major project work performed at each of the schools. The successful implementation of a significant amount of work performed was truly an exceptional, collaborative team effort consisting of building administration, architects, engineers, general contractor and director of facilities.

- Policy 7:270 *Administering Medicines to Students*
 - Policy 4:30 *Revenue and Investments*
 - Policy 4:60 *Purchases*
 - Policy 4:140 *Waiver of Student Fees*
 - Administrative Procedure 4:140-R1 *Fines, Fees, and Charges – Waiver of Student Fees*
 - Exhibit 4:140-E1 *Application for Waiver of Student Fees*
 - Exhibit 4:140-E2 *Response to Application for Fee Waiver, Appeal, and Response to Appeal*

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- Summer Extended Hours and Summer Camps Report. Rod Molek, assistant superintendent for human resources and student services, presented information about Glenbard's extended hours services and athletic summer camp participation for the 2010 summer. In the area of summer extended hours, the total number of students served this year increased by 28.4 percent from last year. Glenbard North saw a 45.5 percent increase due to notices sent home, automated phone calls and personally phoning families to schedule appointments. Waiver applications at North - 1,115, South - 438, East - 1,570 and West 744 were processed. Expenses totaling \$103,094 were below the budgeted amount. Regarding summer camps, the four schools enjoyed a successful partnership with the Park Districts. This year, 4,146 students participated in the camps, 45 more than last year. \$353,000 in registration fees was collected. Park District fees and coaches salaries totaled \$279,432. The Park Districts and schools are planning to extend their efforts into after-school programming this year.

The next meeting of the Glenbard Board of Education will be held at 6:15 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 12, at the Technology Center of DuPage, 301 S. Swift Road in Addison.