



# GLENBARD TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 87

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## **Minutes of the January 22, 2018 Meeting of the Communication, Legislation, and Partnerships Committee**

Robert C. Stevens Administration Center

596 Crescent Blvd. Glen Ellyn, IL

Present: Bob Friend, Mary Ozog, Amy Goodman, Bonniejean Alford, Peg Mannion, and Judith Weinstock

### **Community Relations Update**

#### **Youth Leaders Community Forum**

Aligns to strategic plan Priority 3: Strengthen productive home, school and community partnerships for education.

- Guests include variety of professionals who work with our students outside of the school day, including representatives of libraries, park districts, mental health organizations, DuPage County agencies, faith-based organizations and more.
- More than 200 guests invited
- 11 a.m. Jan. 31 at Marquardt School Dist. 15 administration building
- Shimi Kang will present The Myth of Normal: Understanding Anxiety, Depression and Addiction
- Event benefits:
  - Networking with our superintendent and assistant principals for student services
  - Increased awareness of Glenbard Parent Series

### **Rollout of redesigned website**

Our move away from FirstClass email also triggered a change to our website because a FirstClass tool was our website content management system. In late December, we launched our redesigned district site & Glenbard South's redesigned site. The remaining school sites will be phased in this month.

Features:

- Ability to subscribe to the Google events calendar on our website. When people subscribe to the calendar, events will appear on their calendar.
- Tech Services page, which links parents to everything from PowerSchool to My School Bucks to Schoology and more.
- The site is streamlined and will provide an improved search
- Optimized for mobile devices
- Compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act
- improved language translation

There was discussion of how website content is managed. A website liaison at each school and Peg Mannion manage the content. The website liaisons receive a stipend for this work.

### **Veto of Senate Bill 444**

Gov. Rauner issued an amendatory veto to SB 444, the bill that would make technical changes to the funding provisions of the new evidence-based school funding model. The bill now requires additional legislative action that will further delay the issuance of any funding based on the new distribution formula.

**Next steps:**

- The General Assembly will have to take up the governor's amendatory veto at its next meeting.
  - The House will convene this week; both chambers are scheduled to convene on Jan. 30 and 31.
  - If both chambers *accept* the governor's changes, the bill will be enacted immediately with the original provisions of SB 444 plus the governor's changes.
  - If both chambers vote to *override* the amendatory veto, the bill will become effective without the governor's changes.
  - The entire bill would be dead if either of the chambers fails to act or if the chambers take differing action.

**Transition from Legislative Liaison**

After many years as our legislative liaison, John Moss has retired. The following is an overview of the transition of legislative duties:

- Peg Mannion/ Legislative Education Network of DuPage (LEND) will coordinate briefings for the Communication Legislation & Partnerships Committee.
- Peg Mannion/ Chris McClain will prepare legislative updates for Board meetings.
- Chris McClain/ Donna Kelly will coordinate waiver requests to the Legislature.
- Dave Larson/ Chris McClain/ Peg Mannion will coordinate advocacy efforts related to state and federal legislation.
- Peg Mannion/ LEND will monitor state & federal legislative issues.

LEND Executive Director Peggy Agnos is tremendously knowledgeable about legislative issues at the state and federal levels. As we've done for many years, we will work with Mrs. Agnos to ensure we are apprised of legislative issues that affect our schools.

**PEP update**

- PEP received approximately \$3,500 through its annual appeal
- An annuity will match donations for future growth
- Thank you letters will be sent to Glenbard employees who donate to PEP's neediest family fund.

Respectfully submitted,

**Bob Friend**

Bob Friend, Glenbard District 87 Board Member  
Chair of Communication, Legislation and Partnerships Committee