GLENBARD TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 87



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Minutes of the 6 p.m. Jan. 17, 2023 Meeting of the Communication, Legislation, and Partnerships Committee

Present: Bob Friend, Jim Shannon, Melissa Piwowar, Nick Scipione, Peg Mannion, Marcos Chavez, Colin Crook and Jason Lo.

I. Approval of minutes

The committee approved minutes of the Oct. 3, 2022 meeting of the Communication, Legislation and Partnerships Committee.

II. Legislative update

- The State Senate is scheduled to return to Springfield on Jan. 24 and the State House will return on Jan. 31.
- We have a new state senator and two new state representatives.
- Seth Lewis is our new state senator in the 24th Senate District.
- He replaces State Sen. Diane Pappas, whose term expired earlier in January.
- Lewis' former role State Rep. in the 45th House District -- is being filled by Jennifer Ladisch Douglass.
- Also, Deb Conroy was the 46th House representative. She is now the DuPage County Board president.
- Diane Blair Sherlock is the new 46th House representative

III. Community Relations update

Peg Mannion, community relations coordinator, reviewed the following items:

Inspire ... Empower ... Succeed awards this semester

- Employee recognition program at each building
- Recognizes teachers and support staff who've gone above and beyond in their work
- Insight into the good things that students and staff experience at school every day.

We continue to participate in intergovernmental meetings, including in Bloomingdale, Carol Stream and Glendale Heights.

- We have a common goal: strong, healthy communities
- Important networking opportunities
 - Example: Carol Stream Village Manager Bob Mellor shared with us an invitation from ComEd for up to 50 students to attend their career day.

Partnering with College of DuPage on upcoming Andy Warhol exhibition

- June 3 September 10, 2023 at Cleve Carney Museum of Art at the Mac.
- There will be Warhol happenings throughout DuPage
- Similar to Frida Kahlo exhibit last year
 - Kahlo exhibit attracted visitors from around the country
- Warhol study guides for students

- Exhibit discounts for student groups
- Peg Mannion is on a committee with representatives throughout DuPage.
 - Valuable networking opportunity

Vocational partners

- Vocational partnerships give our students the opportunity to gain on-the-job training within our community. This is a vital part of the process for students to be successful for future employment.
- Each month, we feature a vocational partner spotlight in Glenbard News.
 - o Business name and the partner's name and title
 - o Picture of the partner and their business
 - Testimonial from the partner
 - Testimonial includes what the business person would tell others about the benefits of being a partner – why they recommend others become partners
 - o It's recognition of the partner and info for the community
- A Glenbard News subscriber saw a vocational spotlight, told her husband about it

 he owns a local business. The man looked into it and hired one of our
 Transition students.
- This feature in Glenbard News has opened discussions with new employers in the community.
 - Parents who own business in our community are contacting Transition specialist Erin Hoving for information about being a partner.
 - What's involved? What's the commitment?

IV. Partnership for Educational Progress (PEP) update

- Bob Friend reported that PEP's annual appeal raised \$9,000, which is the highest PEP annual appeal amount to date. Annual appeal funds will go toward a new Glenbard scholarship. PEP will offer 21 scholarships this year.
- PEP donations for Needy Family Fund paid \$7,500 for families in need.

Respectfully submitted,

Glenbard District 87

Communication, Legislation and Partnerships Committee Member