



GLENBARD TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 87

596 Crescent Boulevard, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137-4297

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

Present: Bob Friend, Jim Shannon, Amy Goodman, Nick Scipione, Peg Mannion, Emily Puchalski, Erika Hartman and Isha Shah.

I. Approval of minutes

- The committee approved minutes of the Jan. 17, 2023 meeting of the Communication, Legislation and Partnerships Committee.

II. Community Relations update

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

Community newsletter

- Sent to all households; not just our parents
- Sent to state lawmakers
- Sent to Key Communicators
- Sent to all staff

Newsletter includes information about:

- New school day model
- Student achievement
- Financial update
- Points of pride
- Early access to college coursework
- Glenbard Parent Series
- Capital improvements
- East teacher Gariecia Rose named Illinois' 2023 Outstanding Early Career Educator

Press releases

Peg Mannion issued 36 press releases since last committee meeting in mid-January.

- Earned media (as opposed to paid media)
Most releases are published verbatim to what Peg submits.
- Keeps our community informed about our achievements and upcoming events they can participate in. Topics range from:
 - our new school day model
 - to debt service levy abatement
 - to AP Computer Science Female Diversity award
 - to Illinois' Early Career Educator of the year to
 - promos of our spring plays
 - GPS events.

Glenbard News

Glenbard News continues to be a powerful form of direct communication. In response to some feedback, Peg has scaled it back to a few times per week, instead of every day.

III. Legislative update

- General Assembly has been on spring break. Lawmakers return Tuesday, April 18.
- LEND is following 89 bills related to education and connecting with lawmakers on these.
- LEND lobby day in Springfield
 - LEND will look at the session calendar, set a lobby date and invite others to attend.
 - LEND will spend the day attending committee hearings, meeting with legislators and more.

IV. Partnership for Educational Progress (PEP) update

- PEP will award nearly 20 scholarships to our students this spring.
- A PEP board member is interested in increasing the number of scholarships that PEP will award.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Bob F. [unclear]", is written over a horizontal line.

Glenbard District 87
Communication, Legislation and Partnerships Committee Chair