

**Dist. 205 Board of Education**  
**Oct. 22, 2013**  
**7:30 pm – 9:25 pm**

**All Bd members present**  
**Public: 60 Staff: 8 Press: 2**  
**Observer: J. Dorner**

The Board was in closed session from 6:30 p.m. for student residency and approval of closed session minutes from 9/24/13.

President Collins called the meeting to order and led the recitation of the pledge of allegiance.

**Student Recognition:**

A. York students Megan Bogolia, Andrew Douglas, Audrey Fisher, Luke Guerrieri, Rachel Iverson, Colleen Lehrer, John Mazzocco, Elizabeth Mendralla, Madeline Meyer, Jacqueline Nugent, Anna O'Donnell, Cormac O'Halloran, Rebecca Overend, Celine Taylor, Natalie Watts and Timothy Worley have been named as 2014 National Merit Commended Students and represent the top five percent of U.S. high school seniors.

B. York student, Christina Uribe, was named as a National Hispanic Recognition Program Scholar recipient.

C. The following were recognized by the Illinois State Board of Education as "Those Who Excel" award recipients:

- Jackson Elementary School Second Grade Team, comprised of Rebecca Hursh, Lori Jorbin, Sue Latoria, and Cathy Moran
- Nicholas Navarro, elementary school social worker, formally of Fischer Elementary School and currently at Jefferson Elementary School
- And Susan DeRonne, Elmhurst Community Unit School District 205 retired school board member.

Several other staff awards were announced by Superintendent Pruneau, including many that Melea Smith, Director of Communications, Kathy Schroeder, Electronic Communications Specialist and Debbie Hollstein, Administrative Assistant –Communications were recipients.

After the recognitions, the audience was reduced to 3.

**Public Comment:** Gilbert Fischer stated that his 78 year old wife had to get a job in order to pay taxes on his home to District 205.

**Superintendent Communications:**

A. Freedom of Information Act Requests: One FOIA requests were received and granted for a copy of the Lakeview-District 205 bus contract.

B. Budget Timeline Review: The Finance Committee worked with the Assistant Superintendent of Finance to come up with a Budget Process Overview document, which focuses in on the resource allocation process.

C. School District Library Grant Program FY14: The District will receive a \$6,000 grant, which will be used for books, audio-visual materials and electronic resources. The Board will need to approve this at next month's meeting.

**Approval of Board Meeting Minutes:** The minutes for 9/18/13, 9/24/13 and 10/8/13 approved.

**Committee Reports:**

Mrs. Ebner reported on the **Curriculum and Instruction Committee**.

- Four new York courses (Digital Composition, World Religions, Applications in Chemistry and Leadership and Mentoring) and four modifications were discussed. The Committee was positive about these courses.
- A new state law, to take effect January 2014, requires abstinence and contraception be taught for sex education. The State Board of Education does not have resource material available in order to develop a curriculum, so the administration will aim for a Fall 2014 start date. There will be a parent opt-out available.
- The York administration presented a report for increasing the science requirement from 4 to 6 credits. This would raise the graduation requirements from 44.5 to 45.5 credits. The committee had consensus for this option.
- The committee reviewed plans for curriculum expenses through 2019. This budget is in draft form and will be continue to be discussed by the committee.

Mr. Blum reported on the **Finance and Operations Committee**.

- The state has not distributed the District's September installment and is behind one payment.
- Tentative levy will be presented in November and final in December. CPI is 1.7%.
- Refunding opportunities were discussed.
- PMA assumptions were discussed. Textbook adoptions and technology projects need to be folded into the PMA assumptions.
- The District will approve a settlement for the Courtyard property.
- An estimate of \$15,000 for an enrollment forecast was received. The cost would increase to \$30,000 if it includes master facility planning.
- An initial meeting was held among 2 elected officials fro the City, the Park Board and the School Board concerning the possible storm water plan. Superintendent Pruneau said that the administration will come up with a list of requirements to do this. After the Board adds their suggestions, it will be posted for community input.

**Superintendent's Consent Agenda:** The Board approved:

- Personnel Report
- Financial Reports
- 2013-2014 Application for Recognition of Schools
- Bid #14-04 - School Activity Bus – One School Activity bus \$43,300.
- Purchase Dell Wyse Virtual Desktop Infrastructure (VDI) Thin Client Devices and Citrix XenDesktop Licensing – (purchase licenses to increase infrastructure – not to exceed \$120,000).
- Purchase Dell Server and storage Area Network Equipment and Related VMWare Licensing to Expand the District's Virtual Server Environment – not to exceed \$100,000.
- Donation (York Distinguished Alumni Program) - \$5146 donation to the program.
- Donation (Hawthorne) - \$6,101.80 for portable sound system from PTA.
- Donation (Sandburg) – Two water bottle filling retrofit filtering kits from the PTA \$898.
- Revised Policy #2:105 - Illinois Ethics and Gift Ban Act (First Reading)
- Revised Policy #5:185 - Family and Medical Leave (First Reading)
- Revised Policy #7:340 - Student Records (First Reading)

**Upcoming Meetings:** The next regularly scheduled meetings are Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. All meetings are at the District 205 Center, second floor.:

- Tuesday, Oct. 29, 2013 - Board Improvement Committee Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, November 5, 2013 - PTA Council/Board of Education Forum - 7:00 p.m. - District 205 Center
- Wednesday, Nov. 6, 2013 – Curriculum and Instruction Committee Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- Thursday, Nov. 14, 2013 – Performance Management Committee Meeting - 7:00 p.m.
- Tuesday, Nov. 19, 2013 - Finance and Operations Committee Meeting - 6:30 p.m.

**Closed Session Action:** The Board voted to uphold the hearing officers findings that Student “A” should be dis-enrolled as of 10/23 and the family should be charged \$3015.45 tuition from the start of this school year.

**Board Communications:** None