Board Meeting Update Rocky River Board of Education

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The following is an overview of the December 19, 2013 Regular Meeting of the Board of Education.

Action

- A Resolution to adopt the agenda was approved.
- A Resolution to approve the Minutes of Preceding Meetings was passed.
- The Resolution to Recognize the Rocky River High School Girl's Soccer State Champion Team was approved.
- The Board approved a Resolution to establish the 2014 Organizational Meeting on January 8, 2014 at 5:00PM.
- A Resolution to Appoint Dr. Jon Fancher, as President Pro-Tem until a new President is duly elected was approved.
- A Resolution to Appoint Mrs. Jean A. Rounds, as Vice-President Pro-Tem until a new Vice-President is duly elected was approved.
- A Resolution to approve Financial Statement and Intrafund Transfers for General Accounting in the amount of \$37,021.62 for November 2013 was passed.
- A Resolution to Amend Appropriation for all funds as of November 30, 2013 in the amount of \$46,341,663.00 was approved.
- A Resolution to Request to Receive Advances on Tax Settlement Amounts from the Cuyahoga County Fiscal Officer for Calendar Year 2014 was approved.
- The Board passed a Resolution to Approve Then and Now Certificate.
- A Resolution to Dispense with Public Bidding Requirements Under Cooperative Purchasing Arrangement and to Authorize Negotiation of a Mutually Agreeable Contract for the Purchase of Field Turf for Rocky River High School from FieldTurf, a Tarkett Sports Company was approved.
- Resolution Approving the Establishment of Fund/Special Cost Center 300-902J for the Middle School National History Day Competition was passed.
- A Resolution to Approve Retirements and Resignations was passed.
- A Resolution to Approve Appointments was passed.
- A Resolution to Approve Adjustments in Salary, Assignment and Rate of Pay was passed.
- The Board passed a Resolution to Approve Urgent Necessity.
- The Board passed a Resolution to Approve Change Management Items.
- A Resolution to Approve an Overnight Competition for the RRHS Cheerleaders to Kalahari Resort on 2.7.14 Returning on 2.9.14 was passed.
- The Board passed a Resolution to Approve Candidate for Graduation.
- A Resolution to Accept Gifts to Schools was approved.
- A Resolution to Adjourn was approved.

Superintendent's Update

- Dr. Foley informed the group of a new back-up paging system that has been implemented in the school district. InformaCast uses the speaker and display screen on the phones as a means of paging or sending alerts to staff. Office staff and Principals would use this system and it will be tested yearly.
- Dr. Shoaf advised the Board that Rocky River Police Chief Kelly Stillman met with the district Principals at the December ILT Meeting. Chief Stillman gave a presentation on the *Cops in Schools* program. A letter regarding this program will go out to student's parents on Friday, December 20, 2013.
- Dr. Shoaf informed the group that he attended a Construction meeting last week. He said that all of the painting issues are being resolved and that the punch-list will be worked on over the winter break.
- Dr. Shoaf introduced Mr. Bob McKeiver from FieldTurf who was present at the meeting to answer any questions the Board may have regarding the new turf. He said FieldTurf would begin installation after the lacrosse season (late May/early June).
- Dr. Shoaf and Ms. Anderson informed the Board of the Rocky River Middle School National History Day club/competition, a new activity for middle school students this year. Mr. Frank O'Grady, a tutor at RRMS, is the advisor for this activity. Eighty students have expressed an interest in this activity, which requires students to choose historical topics related to a theme and conduct extensive primary and secondary research through libraries, archives, museums, oral history interviews and historic sites. After analyzing and interpreting their sources and drawing conclusions about their topics' significance in history, students present their work in original papers, websites, exhibits, performances and documentaries. The competition will be held on March 15, 2014.