

BOARD BRIEFS

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AND SPECIAL MEETING MAY 7, 2015

CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 158 BOARD OF EDUCATION

DISTRICT PROPOSES NEW NAME, LOGO

New Identity: Huntley Community School District 158

The District 158 Board of Education heard a proposal from the administration to officially change the name of the District to Huntley Community School District 158.

The name change, which would go along with a new District logo, goes hand-in-hand with



a proposed strategic plan to guide the District for the next five years.

"This will help to explain who we are to the community," said Superintendent John Burkey.

He said that the strategic planning process, which included more than 50 volunteers from the community, including students, parents, residents, business leaders,

teachers, and administrators, solidified the need to strengthen the District's brand identity. The new identity is intended to increase recognition of the District at the local, state, and national

levels.

The changes are intended to strengthen the identity of the District by leveraging the strong reputation

of the Huntley community while acknowledging both the District's historical roots and the current communities from which it draws students.

The Board will vote on three proposals: the strategic plan, the name change, and the logo, at its next regular meeting on May 21, 2015.

TEN TEACHERS ATTAIN TENURE

Ten following teachers were recognized by the Board for completing four years of service and attaining tenure status:

HHS: Tanya Cubelo, Kristin Maggiore, Patrick Odarczenko

Keith Panke, Jeffrey Robinson, Amanda Robles.

Martin: Kathryn Vernsten

Heineman: Jennifer Charles

Marlowe: Jennifer Golovin

Conley: Debra Ryan.

ORCHESTRA PROGRAM PROPOSED

The Board heard a proposal to launch an orchestra program for sixth grade in 2015-2016, with plans to expand through additional grades over the next few years.

It previously was projected that an additional 0.5 FTE staff would be needed to launch the program. With boundary changes, kindergarten numbers, and section numbers more certain, it was determined that a program could be launched without additional FTE, by reallocating existing staff time.

There is a projected need for additional FTE in the second, third, and fourth years as it expands through additional grade levels into the high school.

Projected one-time startup costs total about \$23,000, with an ongoing annual cost of \$3,000 for instrument repair.

At its next regular meeting, the Board will vote whether to approve the program as a regular music class during the school day in the 2015-16 school year, beginning with sixth grade at both middle schools, with expansion of the program through the high school by the 2018-19 school year.

Board Awards Chesak Roof Replacement Bid

During the Special Meeting, the Board of Education voted to award base Bid # 1 and Alternate Bids # 1 and #2 for the Roof Replacement Bid # 2015 - 68 to All American Exteriors at a total cost of \$1,385,000.00.

Course Materials Proposal

The Board was presented the proposed list of course materials for 2015-2016. The materials will be on display for 30 days, beginning May 8, 2015. After the 30-day display period, the recommendation for approval will be brought before the Board of Education at the June 18 meeting.

Pending Actions

In addition, at its next Regular Meeting, May 21, the Board will vote whether to approve:

- Renewing the McHenry County Regional Safe School Program (RSSP) for the 2015-2016 school year.
- Proposed school bell times for the 2015-2016 school year, all remaining the same except for preschool, which would offer sessions 7:45-10:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.-1:15 p.m.
- Proposed overnight trips for middle schools and high schools, as well as a high school spring break 2016 trip to Canada.
- The addition of an additional Consumer Education course at Huntley High School for next year that would meet the general education requirement for consumer education.
- Minutes of the Regular Meeting April 16, 2015.
- The list of legal firms, rates, and their attorneys the District may work with for the school year 2015-16.
- Purchase orders at \$2,287,649.22; Imprest checks at \$190,368.49; accounts payable at \$2,038.15; and disbursements issued at \$8,590,671.06, as presented.
- Continuing to transport students as identified in 105ILCS 5/29-5.2, the IDOT Vehicular Hazards Resolution.
- Designation of CFO Mark Altmayer Superintendent John Burkey as signatories for financial accounts.
- Templates for administrator contracts as proposed, including the addition of a section about attending funeral services as a representative of the District.
- Awarding Bid #2015-03 Custodial Equipment, for both the scrubber and the sweeper, to Direct-In Supply, in the amount of \$34,700.00.
- Change Orders to trade contractor's contracts for high school additions and renovations in the proposed accumulative amount of \$32,776.00.
- Renewal of the Time American Service Agreement for a one-year service agreement in the amount of \$1,085.00.
- Software agreement with CPC / Facility Tree at an annual expense of \$8,620.00, with a fixed expense for a period of three years.
- Amendments to the Demand SMART Statement of Work (SOW) and the Efficiency SMART Retro-commissioning Solutions SOW, as presented.

Informational Updates

The Board heard informational updates on:

- Progress of curriculum reviews undertaken during the 2014-2015 school year.
- Progress on the ongoing HHS construction project.
- Possible resolution submissions for the 2015 IASB Delegate Assembly.
- Monthly HR, O&M, Fiscal, Revenue and Expenditures, and Legislative Reports.

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