

# BOARD BRIEFS

## REGULAR MEETING NOVEMBER 13, 2014

CONSOLIDATED SCHOOL DISTRICT 158 BOARD OF EDUCATION

### BOARD HONORS CROSS COUNTRY MEDALISTS

Heineman and  
Marlowe Runners  
Placed at State

Three District 158 middle school athletes placed at the Illinois Elementary School Association (IESA) State Cross Country Meet held October 18 in Normal.

Jadon Conroy and Mary Raclawski from Heineman Middle School placed 13<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> individually, while Ian Geisler of Marlowe Middle School placed 18<sup>th</sup>. Marlowe placed 14<sup>th</sup> in team competition.

Jason Monson, head coach of Marlowe's team, noted that Geisler's placing as a seventh-grade student was particularly impressive.

Heineman coach Katy



McCrystal noted that Raclawski also had finished strong in previous years. She placed 33<sup>rd</sup> as a sixth-grade student and 15<sup>th</sup> last year.

Lebar said Conroy was not only a great runner, but also a great student. The coach noted that Conroy also had improved his performance over his middle school career, from 79<sup>th</sup> in sixth grade to 45<sup>th</sup> last year to the top 20 this year.

### HHS STUDENTS ATTAIN EAGLE SCOUT

The Board also recognized the following Huntley High School students, who earned the rank of Eagle Scout with the Boy Scouts of America:

- Riley Roche
- Mukhil Murugasamy
- Nicholas Fenske
- Dakotah Henn
- Matthew Clemetsen

### "SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS DAY"

Superintendent John Burkey reported that November 15 is celebrated annually in Illinois as "School Board Members Day" and took the opportunity to express his appreciation for the District 158 Board's hard work.

"We're really fortunate to have a strong board," Burkey said, noting that while members display diversity in thought, they operate very strongly as a unit.

"They are solely focused on making District 158 better and doing it in a way that's responsible to the taxpayers," Burkey said.

He made special note of the positive relationship between District staff members and the Board, and that both groups respect the work of each other

### Update on Senate Bill 16

Superintendent Burkey advised the Board that Senate Bill 16, the Illinois Senate proposal to radically alter the formula that dictates how the state funds public schools, would be called by the General Assembly on November 18, for discussion in committee. While the bill's sponsor recently vowed not to call the bill for a vote until the spring, there is still a possibility that it could be called during the Lame Duck or Veto Sessions.

Burkey said that members of the public can file opposition to the bill online and that the District would post information on its website about how to do so. He also urged the public to remain vigilant about both Senate Bill 16 and a separate possible proposal that would shift the cost of teacher pensions from the State to local school districts.

### Board Actions

The Board voted to approve:

- Minutes from the Board's Regular meeting October 16, 2014, and Committee of the Whole October 6, 2014, as presented.
- Closed Executive Session Minutes of Regular October 16, 2014 and Committee of the Whole October 9, 2014, as presented during closed session.
- Personnel reports as presented.
- The 2014 School eReport Card as released by the Illinois State Board of Education.
- Second reading of PRESS Policies 2:20, 4:60, 4:90, 5:30, 5:260, 7:20, 7:180, and 7:240, as presented.
- Payables, as presented, including Purchase Orders at \$442,896.14; Accounts Payable at \$9,191.16; Imprest checks at \$327,276.39; and Disbursements issued at \$8,500,952.61.
- Fundraiser contract agreements as follows: vendor Entertainment benefiting Mackeben/Conley Elementary Schools at a net revenue of \$20,000; vendor Morkes Chocolates benefiting Mackeben/Conley Elementary Schools at a net revenue of \$1,000; vendor Scholastic benefiting Leggee Elementary at a net revenue of \$5,000; and vendor Midwest Baseball Academy benefiting Huntley HS at a net revenue of \$3,000.
- A list of items to be Declared as Surplus, as provided by Technology and O&M Departments.
- Scheduling of the Levy Hearing on December 18, 2014 at 7:00 p.m
- Updated job descriptions for router dispatcher and Transportation Trainer, as recommended.
- Awarding of #2014-03-5 Fork Truck to National Lift Truck, in the amount of \$26,297.50.
- Award of Bid #2014-20A Huntley High School TV Studio (Mechanical Bid) to Jensen Plumbing & Heating in the amount of \$13,650.00.
- Trane Service Agreement Expansion for the Leggee Chiller in the amount of \$1,481.00; and an amendment to the HVAC Preventative Maintenance Agreement with Hayes Mechanical at a price reduction of \$244.08, for the third year of that agreement.
- The Multi-Vista proposal for Digital Archiving of HHS expansions and renovations as proposed, at a cost not to exceed \$9,995.00.
- Change orders for Trade contractors at HHS additions and renovations as presented.
- Supplemental Purchase Orders and Supplemental Accounts Payable at \$2,550,928.46; and the Supplemental Accounts Payable Report at \$2,673.08, as presented
- The proposal from CTS Group dated November 11, 2014, not to exceed the amount of \$33,697.00; seeking the upgrade Niagara Tridium AX Building Automation System Software to Version 3.8.
- The employment contract for the Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources.

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