

**AGENDA
BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING
WEST HIGH SCHOOL
1201 W. NEW YORK ST.
AURORA, IL 60506**

HEALTH ACADEMY – ROOM A-206

**Monday Evening
6:00 P.M.**

February 4, 2008

- I. Call to Order**
- II. Roll Call**
- III. Pledge of Allegiance**

- IV. Recognition of Visitors**

This section of the agenda allows for the recognition of any individuals or groups whose attendance should be appropriately acknowledged.

- V. Recognition of Audience Wishing to Speak to an Agenda Item**

Persons wishing to address the Board are requested to submit questions or proposals in writing. In order to encourage public participation, individuals wishing to address a specific agenda topic will be asked to indicate which topic and then will speak once the topic is introduced later in the meeting.

- VI. Recognition of Audience Wishing to Speak to the Board**

Any formal request to appear before the Board may be considered at this time. As of this writing, we have received no formal requests to address the February Board of Education Meeting. Persons wishing to address the Board are asked to sign up in advance of the meeting, indicating the topic which they would like to discuss.

- VII. Special Recognition**

The West Aurora Step Team will be honored at the February 4 meeting. The team won the 1st Place Championship in the DuPage Valley Conference

competition and 1st Place at the IDTA Navy Pier Invitational Competition. Members of the team to be honored are: Camille Bailey, Trieana DePratto, LaPree Guise, Sierra Henry, Ashle Jones, Jonelle Meeks, Laticia Moore, Shantell Passley, Printess Pryor, Ebony Russell, and Mariah Smith. The coach for the Steppers is Judy Johnson, West High Guidance Counselor.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

TEACHING AND LEARNING

A. Approval of K-5 Science Materials

Science co-chairs Mike Runge and Ann Butcher have presented to the Board the proposed new K-5 science text and related support materials. The text and the workbook will support instruction in the science curriculum and its alignment to the Illinois Learning Standards and the District's Priority Learning Targets. The funding for this adoption will come from the 2008 Illinois Textbook Loan Program and the Teaching and Learning budget. Total Cost will be \$615,342.10.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve for adoption the K-5 Science Text and Related Support Materials as proposed by the K-12 Science Committee.

SAFE SECURE FACILITIES

A. Approval of Security System at Transportation

Included in your backup information, is a proposal from Alarm Detection Systems for a closed circuit television and door access system for the Transportation facility. The closed circuit system would provide for nine outdoor day/night cameras and seven spare recording positions for future use. The system would provide for surveillance of the facility and the buses in order to avoid problems in providing transportation to the students of the district.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the closed circuit and door access system from Alarm Detection systems, Inc., for the Transportation facility at a cost of \$27,000, including a monthly repair and management fee of \$200.00/month.

IX. Consent Agenda

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the items contained in the Consent Agenda for February 4, 2008.

A. Approval of Minutes

- B. Approval of Bill Listings**
 - C. Payroll Authorization**
 - D. Personnel Report**
 - E. Appointments – Certified Probationary – Full Time**
 - F. Appointments – Certified Probationary – Part Time**
 - G. Appointments – Educational Support Personnel – Full Time**
 - H. Appointments – Educational Support Personnel – Part Time**
 - I. Request for Part-Time Status**
- X. Action as a Result of Executive Session**
- XI. Information and Discussion**

Vision 129

A. Teaching and Learning

1. K-12 Gifted Continuum

Cynthia Latimer, Assistant Superintendent for Student Services, will provide an update of the K-12 Gifted Continuum.

B. Safe Secure Facilities

1. Proposed Security System for Greenman Elementary School

Erin Slater and Pete Kerl will present information regarding a proposed security system at Greenman Elementary School. The proposal from Alarm Detection is included in your backup material.

2. Transportation Schedules

Included in your backup material is a copy of proposed transportation schedules for the 2008-09. Pete Kerl and Lynn Head will be present to discuss this topic.

C. Financial Responsibility

1. Rating of District's Credit

Included in your backup material is a copy of a letter from Standard & Poor's regarding the Refunding Bonds and District's A+ Credit Rating.

D. Community Involvement

1. Fine Arts Festival – Saturday, February 9

Included in your backup material is a copy of the flyer that is being mailed to all District 129 residents regarding the Fine Arts Festival and the schedule of activities for the event.

E. Correspondence

1. Letters to BP America Inc.

BP America Inc. generously donated \$500 to the West High Alianza Hispana Group and \$500.00 to Lincoln School. Included in your backup material are letters from Donna Letzter, West High and Michelle Gallo, Lincoln, thanking BP America Inc.

XII. MISCELLANEOUS INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Dates to Remember

February 9, 2008	Fine Arts Festival
February 19, 2008	Board of Education Meeting – 6:00 p.m.

B. Article highlights to January 25

FEARN

Included in your backup material are articles from:
Dec. 25 Herald story on students Christmas memories
Jan. 16 Chronicle story and picture on Invention Convention
Jan. 18 Herald pictures and story on Invention Convention

FREEMAN

Included in your backup material are articles from:
Dec. 21 Beacon photo and story on student who donates her b-day gifts

HOPE WALL

Included in your backup material are articles from:

- Dec. 21 Herald picture on recognition of Kiwanians
- Jan. 3 Story on disability resources workshop

SMITH

Included in your backup material are articles from:

- Jan. 16 Beacon picture of "Animal Encounter" assembly

WEST HIGH SCHOOL

Included in your backup material are articles from:

- Dec. 22 Herald story on 07-08 alumni officers elected
- Dec. 23 Chronicle photo and story on East/West game
- Dec. 24 Beacon story on Aurora teens honored for service to community
- Dec. 26 Beacon story on gym floor gift for ex-coach
- Jan. 3 Chronicle story on webcast of basketball game
- Jan. 6 Beacon photo of distinguished alumni
- Jan. 9 Beacon story on ebay auction continuing
- Jan. 9 Herald pictures and story of "Leadership Team"
- Jan. 10 Chronicle story on gym floor auction
- Jan. 13 Beacon photo of girls on badminton team at cancer walk
- Jan. 17 Beacon story on distinguished alum nominations
- Jan. 18 Chronicle story on final bidding of gym floor
- Jan. 25 Tribune story on IL. schools seeking exemption from Drs. Ed. reform

DISTRICT

Included in your backup material are articles from:

- Dec. 23 Chronicle story on Kane districts diverse faculty
- Dec. 28 Herald story of 2007 in retrospect
- Dec. 30 Beacon story on area school districts pursuit of tax referendums
- Jan. 3 Beacon story on engineering clubs at Middle Schools
- Jan. 5 Herald story on school aid victim to politics
- Jan. 6 Beacon column on reform education
- Jan. 7 Beacon story on bus cameras
- Jan. 9 Herald story on cameras on buses
- Jan. 18 Chronicle story on cameras on buses
- Jan. 23 Beacon story on Stan Karnoscak
- Jan. 25 Beacon story on technology upgrade

XII. Adjourn

- **The next meeting of the Board of Education is scheduled for Monday, February 19, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. at West High School, 1201 W. New York Street, Aurora, IL in the Health Academy (Enter at Door #1).**

CONSENT AGENDA FOR FEBRUARY 4, 2008

The Board of Education's Consent Agenda contains those motions or resolutions which are deemed routine and/or require little or no discussion. The use of the consent Agenda is intended to expedite the meeting by the elimination of repetitive roll calls and unnecessary discussions. A Consent Agenda item will be removed from the Consent Agenda prior to its passage upon the request of any Board member. The roll call of votes on the approval of the Consent Agenda shall constitute the roll call of votes on each and every Consent Agenda motion or resolution as if each were voted on individually.

IX. Consent Agenda

A. Approval of Minutes

Included with the Board's backup materials are the minutes of the Board of Education meetings held over the past month.

RECOMMENDATION: That the minutes of the Board of Education meetings held on January 22, 2008.

B. Bills for Payment

Board members were previously provided with listings of District Bills for review.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve and accept bill listings in the amount of \$7,394,057.13 and Hope Wall bill listings in the amount of \$354,939.34 for the period ending February 4, 2008.

C. Payroll Authorization

Authorization is requested for payrolls for the month of March, 2008.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education authorize payrolls for the month of March, 2008 in the amount of \$5,550,000.00.

D. Personnel Report

In the Personnel Report for February 4, 2008, we are advising of the resignations of Christa Toohill, Speech/Language Pathologist; Angela Glynn, Reading Coach @ Nicholson; Richard Ojeda, Security @ West.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve and accept the Personnel Report for February 4, 2008.

E. Appointments – Certified Probationary – Full Time

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following Certified Probationary Full Time personnel:

F. Appointments – Certified Probationary – Part Time

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the appointment of the following Certified Probationary Part Time personnel:

G. Appointments – Educational Support Personnel – Full Time

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the appointments of the following Educational Support Personnel – full time:

Diane Britton, Paraprofessional @ Hope Wall
Jill Luckenbill, Paraprofessional @ Schneider
Rasonja Price, Paraprofessional @ Hope Wall
Elizabeth Keenan, Office Professional @ West

H. Appointments – Educational Support Personnel – Part Time

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the appointments of the following Educational Support Personnel – part-time:

Danette White, Paraprofessional @ Hope Wall

I. Request for Part-Time Status

Diane Angelo, Math @ West High and Nichole Roberts, Math @ West High, have requested part-time status in conjunction with the District's Flexible Job Plan. This request is supported by the principal of West High School

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the part-time status for Diane Angelo and Nichole Roberts, Math teachers at West High School for the 2008-08 school year only, based on the terms and conditions of the Flexible Job Plan.

RECOMMENDATION: That the Board of Education approve the recommendations contained in the Consent Agenda for February 4, 2008.