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Executive Board Meeting Summary

Thursday, December 15, 2011

Consent Agenda

Minutes and financial matters were approved along with the following personnel items:

- ☺☺☺ Requests for contracts for 9 educational support personnel and 1 certificated/licensed staff
- ☺☺☺ Resignations by 3 educational support personnel
- ☺☺☺ Request for leave/extension by 3 educational support personnel

Recognitions

Employee of the Month — Anita Gorski, Instructional Technology Specialist for the Transition Program, was recognized as December's Employee of the Month.

(Picture: Anita receives plaque from President Dan Coles.)



Student Recognition — Timothy Walker, a District #127 student at the Transition Center, was selected to receive the STARS Award – Students Taking Academic Responsibility Seriously.

(Picture: Tim receives STARS trophy from President Coles while Cassie Diaz-Bello explains why he received the recognition and Dr. Tom Moline looks on.)



Public Comment: Ms. Eileen Matluck, President of the SEDOL Teachers' Union, explained that this would probably be her last Executive Board meeting as union president. She thanked the Board for the opportunity to work together to serve students with special needs. Ms. Matluck is retiring in June and has served as union president for approximately 20 years.

Old Business: There were no items for discussion under Old Business.

New Business

- A. Change Order for Laremont School: The Board reviewed Change Order #69 Ruffalo Painting Company, which was a deduct in the amount of \$6,640.
- B. Change Orders for Gages Lake School: Change Orders #46, #47 and #48 were submitted for approval. Change Order #47 was a deduct of \$958. The Board approved the other change orders, which were adds totaling \$6,826.

Closed Session: The Board entered into closed session to discuss the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance or dismissal of specific employee.

Other Business

- A. Termination: The Board approved a recommendation to terminate an educational support personnel.

Committee Reports

- A. Update on Construction: Dr. Du Clos reported that there would be a few more *housekeeping* change orders coming through on Laremont School. Gages Lake School should be ready for walk through in early January.

Program/School Reports

A. Announcements and Wins

- Teacher Michelle Clark, Supervisor Therese Quoss and ECAT Coordinator Barb Walti presented “Curriculum Adaptations for Diverse Learners” at the Sharing the Vision Conference in Springfield and the National Association for the Education of Young Children in Orlando.
- For the sixth consecutive year, SEDOL staff have volunteered to provide lunches for PADS. Lunches are provided on 7 dates for St. Anastasia (20 lunches each day) and 7 dates for Wildwood Presbyterian (50 lunches each day).
- SEDOL staff are again supporting the annual holiday collection for Toys for Tots and Toys for SEDOL Students.
- Carol Bercos, Coordinator of Therapeutic Services, and Parent Mentors Joy Bux and Priscilla Cuba presented at CADRE’s 5th National Symposium on Dispute Resolution in Special Education in Eugene, Oregon. (CADRE = Consortium for Appropriate Dispute Resolution in Special Education.)
- Ruck Pate Architects received an award from ISBE for their design of Laremont School.
- Astellas awarded a grant of \$38,000 to Cyd Lash Academy to purchase white boards.
- Astellas awarded a \$17,000 safety grant for “To Go” buckets for SEDOL schools and transition sites. The buckets hold items classes will need in case they have to evacuate the building (i.e. water, flashlights, activity items).
- The SEDOL Foundation Wine Tasting was attended by approximately 200 people, which is an increase over 2010.
- SEDOL was the recipient of five JoRide therapy bicycles provided by Konica Minolta Business Solutions USA and Aaron Equipment Co. of Highland Park. The gift was presented to SEDOL OT/PT services at a special education program held at Keshet International Center in Northbrook on Sunday, December 11.
- Thanks to Mary Berman, Vocational Coordinator at the Transition Center in Mundelein, Santa arrived early with a donation of items from Learning Resources/Educational Insights. While exercising in the gym, Mary was sharing some of her work activities at the Transition Program, and the lady she was speaking to became very interested and thought she could help. She asked Mary to make a list of items she could use. Mary put a list together thinking how great it would be to get any of the items. To her surprise, ALL of the items were delivered this week. Some had numerous sets of the items, which allows even more students to utilize the donation. At first inventory, the donation is valued at approximately \$1,400. Some items will be used in ELS classrooms, but many will be used in various Community Life Skills classrooms as there are plenty to go around.

Dr. Moline commended Carol Bercos, Deanna Lulofs, Barb Hagstrom and Linda Amundsen of the Crisis Team for the services provided to students and staff at Grant High School #124 and Wauconda District #118.

Executive Board Meeting Schedule

SEDOL Office Boardroom unless noted otherwise

Thursday, January 26, 2012 – 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, February 23, 2012 – 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, March 22, 2012 – 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, April 5, 2012 – 9:30 a.m. (*Special meeting to review tentative budget*)

Thursday, April 26, 2012 – 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, May 24, 2012 – 1:30 p.m.

Thursday, June 28, 2012 – 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, July 26, 2012 – 9:30 a.m.

Governing Board Meeting Schedule

Wednesday, February 29, 2012 – 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, June 13, 2012 – 7:00 p.m.

Laremont School Gym

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