

Board of Education Meeting Recap

The Township High School District 211 Board of Education met on Thursday, January 19, 2017, in the Anne Koller Board Meeting Room at the G.A. McElroy Administration Center. The following is a recap of important items that were acted upon at the meeting.

Presentation: One-to-One Program

In 2012, High School District 211 initiated its one-to-one electronic device program built on the founding principles of redesigning student learning opportunities and envisioning instructional methods to develop the skills students will need as they prepare for life after high school. The program was fully implemented in 2014, providing each District 211 student with an iPad.

Over the past four years, the iPad has served as a high-quality individual electronic device for students and has been aligned with the District's overall vision for its one-to-one program. Given educational technology's continual rate of change, the District began a comprehensive review of its one-to-one program in the spring of 2016, specifically examining different electronic devices in order to determine which one would best serve students in the coming years. Early investigative efforts narrowed the possible device choices to two options: the Apple iPad and the Google Chromebook.

The District's One-to-One Committee, instrumental in the launch of the program, was expanded in the fall of 2016. The expanded committee, consisting of 24 individuals, represents a balanced cross-section of school assignments, academic departments, and specific roles, and is chaired by a core oversight team made up of Associate Superintendent for Student Services **Mark Kovack**, Chief Technology Officer **Gary Gorson**, and Lead Technology Coordinator **Scott Weidig**

experiences students will encounter in college and workplace settings in the future.

Freshmen, sophomores, and faculty members will be provided with a new iPad to start the 2017-2018 school year. In future years, each incoming 9th grade class will be provided with new iPads annually. Retired devices will be sold annually so that iPads are cycled through a four-year service life within the District.

Following a presentation by Associate Superintendent Kovack, James B. Conant High School English Teacher **Jordan Catapano**, William Fremd High School English Department Chair **Kristy Loughin-Vance**, Hoffman Estates High School World Language Teacher **David Rodriguez**, and Fremd High School Dean of Students and Science Teacher **Darius Sanchez**, the Board authorized the purchase of 7,168 iPads for the 2017-2018 school year at a total cost of \$2,501,632.

Additional information on the One-to-One Program and use of iPads is available [here](#), as well as a copy of the [Board presentation](#)

errors/omissions; and, \$100,000 for crime claims. Workers' compensation coverage with SSCRMP has a July 1 renewal date and provides for a \$350,000 deductible for individual claims. SSCRMP loss-fund reserves are used to pay claims within the self-insured retention for property or liability claims. A separate loss-fund is maintained for workers' compensation claims.

For the 2017 policy year, SSCRMP has maintained its level of coverage in all categories, with an increase in foreign coverage that provides for international travel of study abroad programs. Loss control is reflected in the total for loss funding in the 2017 renewal costs. Renewal costs are based upon actual claims data for District 211 during 2016. Overall, including additional foreign coverage, the annual renewal cost for High School District 211 will increase by 1.4% from 2016.

business that are permitted for expense reimbursements; 3) requiring the use of a standardized form for expense reimbursements; and 4) setting a maximum allowable expense reimbursement amount.

A [proposed resolution](#) was presented to the Board for initial review. The proposed resolution has recommended parameters for Board members and District 211 employees for travel expenses. It is recommended that the maximum allowable expense reimbursement be set at \$3,000 per individual, per event; or \$5,000 per year.

Intergovernmental Agreements – Reciprocal and Police Reporting Agreements with the Village of Hoffman Estates

The Illinois State Constitution (Article VII, Section 10) and the Intergovernmental Cooperation Act (5 ILCS 220/1 et seq (1992)), authorizes and encourages interagency cooperation and collaboration between local agencies and public schools in Illinois.

High School District 211 has a long history of working closely with local law enforcement agencies to ensure safety and security within schools and to foster cooperation between educators and representatives of law enforcement. District 211 has maintained excellent relationships with the municipal law enforcement agencies that serve the communities of the District.

School Resource Officers (SRO) are assigned to the five primary schools and District 211 North Campus, and workJ -10.01 -1.15 Td [(C)6(ooper)7(a)10(t)2(i)6(C)6(i)6ad0(e c cooperation wi t winimnesEss et(i)6(et)2())TJ -0.01[(P)4(o10(ubl)6(i)6v)T* [epaNor

student. Data received from the Illinois State Board of Education indicates there are more than 20 school districts across the state that have received waivers to increase the driver education fee above \$350, with fees ranging from \$399 to \$570 in these school districts.

In District 211, there is no fee for students to take the classroom portion only of driver education, and since 2004, the District has charged a \$350 fee for the behind-the-wheel portion of driver education. Although District 211 has been allowed to charge a \$350 fee, this fee will continue to be waived for those students qualifying for free or reduced-price meals. In 2015-2016, over 600 students had their driver education fee waived by the District due to economic disadvantage.

Waivers of School Code mandates require approval by the General Assembly of the State of Illinois, and are considered two times during the year – the first is in the fall and the second in the spring.

Following a public hearing to receive input from the community, the Board of Education approved the Application for Waiver or Modification of School Board Rules and/or School Code Mandates to charge up to \$400 for the behind-the-wheel portion of driver education. The Board directed the Superintendent to submit the application to the State Board of Education as detailed in the instructions for the Spring 2017 report to the General Assembly.

Additional information on the Waiver of School Code is available [here](#).

The Board will continue its discussion to reach a decision regarding the driver education behind-the-wheel fee for the 2017-2018 school year at its February meeting.

Student Registration Fee for 2017-2018

Student Parking User Fee for 2017-2018

Each year, the Board of Education establishes student parking fees. An allotment of student parking spaces is available for a user fee, per semester. The student parking user fee has been set at \$65 per semester since the 2007-2008 school year. Student parking fee revenue is used to offset costs of maintaining and repairing parking lots on an annual basis.

The Board approved the student parking user fee remain \$65 per semester for the 2017-2018 school year.

Summer School Fees for 2017

The Board approved fees for Summer School 2017, [as presented](#). Summer School fees will remain \$140 per semester for credit courses, and fees for non-credit athletic and activity camps will be \$75 per session. The cost for invitation programs for incoming freshmen and sophomores will remain \$30. The fee for competitive varsity baseball and softball will remain \$175 for the summer. Transportation fees will be \$35 per semester. The Driver Education fee will be \$350 for behind-the-wheel, and for those students enrolled in classroom only, a \$70 fee will be assessed.

Transportation Fee for 2017-2018

District 211 has a long-standing practice of providing transportation at a reasonable fee for students residing less than 1.5 miles from school. This fee has been set at \$170 since the 2007-2008 school year. Approximately 600 students are transported within the 1.5-mile service option for the 2016-2017 school year. Transportation fees offset costs associated with additional buses needed to transport students within the walk boundaries, staff costs, and vehicle supplies and maintenance.

The Board approved the bus transportation fee be set at \$200 per year for students whose residence is within 1.5 miles of school and is due in full by June 30, 2017, [as presented](#). There is no bus transportation fee for those students who reside beyond 1.5 miles from school. A late registration fee of \$35.00 will be added to all payments received after June 30, 2017.

School Breakfast and Lunch Prices for 2017-2018

The Board approved the price for the standard breakfast to remain \$1.45 per meal for students, [as presented](#). The price for students who qualify for reduced-price meals will remain 30¢ per breakfast and 40¢ per lunch (including milk).

The Board approved the appointment of **Thomas Mocon to 12-month assistant principal lead disciplinarian at Conant High School**, effective July 1, 2017. Mr. Mocon has served as a 10-month assistant principal at Palatine High School since the 2015

began her District 211 career in 2011 as a college and career counselor at Schaumburg High School until being named guidance department chair in 2014. Prior to her career in education, Mrs. Napier was a human resources and benefits manager for Ameritech. She earned her bachelor's degree in psychology from DePaul University. Mrs. Napier has received a master's degree in human resources information systems from Loyola University in 1995 and a master's degree in school counseling from Roosevelt University in 2011. She is working on completion of an additional master's degree in educational leadership from Roosevelt University this summer.

The Board approved the appointment of **Luis Arroyo to 10-month assistant principal at Palatine High School**, effective August 2, 2017. Mr. Arroyo will be joining the Palatine High School administrative team after having served as a 10-month assistant principal at Hoffman Estates High School since the 2014-2015 school year. Previously, he held the position as dean of students at Elmwood Park High School since 2007. Mr. Arroyo began his teaching career at Alexander Graham School in Chicago in 2000 as a physical education instructor. He received his bachelor's degree in physical education from Concordia University in 1999, and in 2007, he completed his master's degree in educational leadership at Concordia University.

The Board approved the appointment of **Justin Onayemi to 10-month assistant principal at Hoffman Estates High School**, effective August 2, 2017. Mr. Onayemi will be returning to Hoffman Estates High School after serving as a 10-month assistant principal at Conant High School this school year. Mr. Onayemi began his teaching career in District 211 in 2008 as a science teacher at Hoffman Estates High School and