

Board of Education Meeting Recap

The Township High School District 211 Board of Education met on Thursday, February 13, 2014, 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.

Recognitions

The Board of Education recognized the [James B. Conant High School Cheerleading Squad](#) for winning the state championship in the coed team division. Also recognized at the meeting were [Illinois Music Educators Association](#) all-state student honorees from Conant and William Fremd High Schools.

The Board recognized Conant High School student **Mohansrinivas Chennakesavalu** for achieving a score of 36 on the American College Test (ACT). On average, less than one-tenth of one percent of all ACT test takers earn a top score. Since 1998, District 211 has now had 61 students earn a score of 36 on the ACT.

Fremd High School Music Teacher and Orchestra Director **Marla Caballero** was honored by the Board for receiving the Outstanding School Teacher Award for 2014 from the Illinois Chapter of the American String Teachers Association. This award recognizes a teacher who has achieved and maintained excellence in their orchestra program.

Approval of Minutes

This school year, High School District 211 employees contributed \$35,821 to the 2013-2014 Combined Charities Campaign. This program offered employees the opportunity to donate to the charity of their choice. In addition to the United Way, the Combined Charities program includes over 1,000 organizations serving our communities, including the High School District 211 Foundation and several District 211 school-based charitable causes. The contributions made this year helped benefit numerous local, state, and national charities.

The success of this campaign would not have been possible without the outstanding efforts of the Combined Charities Campaign coordinators/representatives at each District 211 building. The following individuals assisted in coordinating District 211's fundraising efforts: Palatine High School Assistant Principal **Michael Alther**, Fremd High School Dean of Students **Kim Glaser**, Conant High School Assistant Principal **Talbott Behnken**, Schaumburg High School Assistant Principal **Marchel Rogers**, Hoffman Estates High School Assistant Principal **Brigid Tileston**, Academy-North Program Administrator **Francesca Anderson**, Academy-South Program Administrator **Amy Friel**, Director of Transportation **Raymond Gawron**, Publications Assistant **Rebecca Rolph**, and Director of Community Relations **Thomas Petersen**.

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served as the school's Title I coordinator. Mr. Langer received his bachelor's degree in food sciences and human nutrition from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign in 1999. He completed his master's degree in secondary education from National Louis University in 2003. In 2011, he completed a second master's degree in educational administration from Northern Illinois University in DeKalb.

The Board approved the appointment of **Courtney Buss** as 10-month assistant principal at Conant High School, effective August 12, 2014. Ms. Buss is currently an applied technology teacher at Conant High School, and she is currently serving as the school's dean of students. Ms. Buss began her teaching career in High School District 211 in 2009 as an applied technology teacher at Conant High School. She earned her bachelor's degree in civil engineering from the University of Illinois-Chicago and earned a master's degree in education from National Louis University in Chicago. Ms. Buss also completed her administrative coursework at Concordia University in River Forest, IL.

The Board approved the appointment of **Kimberly Glaser** as 10-month assistant principal at Fremd High School, effective August 12, 2014. Mrs. Glaser, an English teacher at Fremd High School, is serving in her first year as the school's dean of students. Mrs. Glaser began her career as an English teacher at Neuqua Valley High School in Naperville, Ill., and remained there for six years before moving to Fremd High School in 2012. Mrs. Glaser earned her bachelor's degree in English from the University of Iowa in Iowa City, and she earned her master's degree in school improvement leadership from Olivet Nazarene University in Kankakee, IL.

The Board approved the appointment of **Luis Arroyo** as 10-month assistant principal at Hoffman Estates High School, effective August 12, 2014. Mr. Arroyo will be joining the Hoffman Estates High School administrative team from his current position as dean of students at Elmwood Park High School, a position he has held since 2007. Mr. Arroyo began his teaching career at Alexander Graham School in Chicago in 2000 as a physical education instructor, before moving to Elmwood Park High School. Mr. Arroyo earned his bachelor's degree in physical education and his master's degree in educational

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