

Board Meeting Highlights
Regular Meeting – April 18, 2007

At its regular meeting on April 18, 2007, the Board of Education of Pleasantdale School District 107...

- **Open Forum**

Heard comments from Ruth Burke, President of the Teachers' Association of Pleasantdale relative to monetary retirement bonuses to four teachers retiring at the end of this school year. Mrs. Hannan, Board President, stated that a specific written proposal, in which retirement bonuses are linked to meritorious service, should be provided to Superintendent Fredisdorf for Board consideration.

Barbara Lamb was presented with a plaque honoring her four years of service to the district as a member of the Board of Education.

- **Consent Agenda**

Unanimously approved the consent agenda consisting of regular meeting minutes of March 21, 2007; payment of March 2007 payroll and April 2007 warrants; 2006-07 school calendar revisions; and staffing recommendations for the 2007-08 school year.

- **Reports and Discussions:**

- **Document Retention Policy**

Board President Sandra Hannan presented a draft policy for Board consideration. Methods of storing financial documents, testing results, construction records, etc. were addressed as a means of providing background data for future data analysis and reporting to the Board in forthcoming years.

- **Academic Goals Committee Update**

Superintendent Mark Fredisdorf informed the Board that the Academic Goals Committee will be

- addressing academic targets based on September ITBS testing results, and
 - discussing the identification of ISAT and EXPLORE targets.

The Committee recommended a two-year contract with Wick Partners in order to provide the Board with data on two additional testing seasons. Dr. Wick will be working directly with the grade level teams and administrators to assist in achieving our academic targets.

- **Review of Board Flyer and Communication Protocol**

Board Member Leandra Sedlack presented a draft of the revised Board of Education flyer for discussion. In addition to publishing it on our web site and availability at Board meetings, it was suggested that the information should also be included in the school directory.

- **Curriculum Status Report Format**

Superintendent Mark Fredisdorf presented the proposed format for reporting curriculum status to the Board of Education and solicited Board input on both forms. For the May 2007 report, the Board requested 2005-06 information be included for comparison purposes. Board Member Rosaria Becker was thanked for her work on this project.

- **Customer Service Survey Results**

A committee composed of Rosaria Becker, Mark Mirabile, Matt Vandercar, Meg Pokorny, and Mark Fredisdorf reviewed the customer service survey results and presented an analysis of its findings. The Board discussed the importance of feedback to Pleasantdale parents who responded to the survey (42% return). Various means of reporting the results were considered; the committee will develop a condensed version to be sent home via Friday packets.

Business Manager's Report

Business Manager Catherine Chang provided background information milk and paper bids, auditor selection, and renewal of transportation, cleaning service, and food service contracts. Approval of same will be presented to the Board for approval beginning in May 2007.

The new auditing standards were also addressed by Mrs. Chang.

- Next Agenda
Items submitted for the May 2007 agenda included a construction update; seating new members and organization of new Board of Education; approval of milk bid and milk fees; approval of paper bid; selection of auditor; approval of contract renewals for hot lunches, cleaning service, and student transportation; curriculum updates, including technology; review of Superintendent/Board goals; community survey; and StratPlan update.
- Written Reports
The Board received a written middle school construction update.
- Board Self-Evaluation
The Board conducted its quarterly self-evaluation.
- Closed Session
Met in closed session (9:38-10:27 p.m.) to consider information regarding the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of personnel
- Action Items
Approved the April 2007 Personnel Report as presented and approved a modified retainer contract with Wick Partners.
- Adjournment
Adjourned the regular meeting at 10:30 p.m.

**The next regular meeting of the Board of Education will be
Wednesday, May 9, 2007
7:00 p.m. in the Pleasantdale Middle School Library**