

The Princeton High School Board of Education, District #500, met in Regular Session on Wednesday, February 23, 2011 in the Learning Resource Center. Board Members present: Gary Coates, Jane Fredenhagen, Gary Hanna, Colleen Sailer and John Young. Board Members Absent: None

John Young, President, called the Regular meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. He welcomed guests and the media.

There was no public comment.

Consent Agenda

The Consent Agenda included Minutes from the January 26, 2011 Regular Monthly Meeting and Executive Session, Monthly Bills, Treasurer's Report and the Phelps and Zearing Farm Account Reports. *Gary Hanna made the motion, seconded by Colleen Sailer, to approve the Consent Agenda items as presented. The motion carried on the following roll call vote: Gary Coates-yes, Jane Fredenhagen-yes, Colleen Sailer-yes, Gary Hanna-yes and John Young-yes.*

Education and Administration

Students-of-the-Month – Mr. Berlinski reported there were 7 nominations for student-of-the-month and announced the following 6 recipients for February: Alex Adams, Matt Murphy, Zach Andersen, Cassandra Noramczyk, Kavita Patel and Jack Click. The Board congratulated these students on this honor and recognized the parents for their contributions.

Assistant Principal's Report -

Mr. Berlinski's report included attendance and discipline data; attendance rate was 92.61% from January 20 through February 16. There were 72 disciplinary write-ups during that period, down from 132 in the previous month.

The Director of Student Activities report summarized athletic events and upcoming events.

Principal's Report – Ms. Schmidt congratulated the students and staff for earning the 2010 Illinois Honor Roll Academic Improvement Award. The Parent Advisory Board recently met with 12 parents. Parent-Teacher Conferences were held on February 17 and 18. Plans are being finalized for Test Prep in homerooms during March and April.

Personnel – *Gary Coates made the motion to approve Jason Bird's resignation as Assistant Wrestling Coach and appoint Tim Taylor as Head Baseball Coach. Second on the motion made by Gary Hanna and approved with a roll call vote: Jane Fredenhagen-yes, Colleen Sailer-yes, Gary Coates-yes, Gary Hanna-yes and John Young-yes.*

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FEBRUARY 23, 2011

Tentative School Calendar - Mr. Haring reviewed the tentative 2011-12 school year calendar. This calendar has been reviewed by division and Princeton Elementary. It will be shared with Malden, St. Louis and Princeton Christian Academy. The final calendar will be adopted at the March meeting.

Board of Education Policy Manual Revisions - *Colleen Sailer made the motion, seconded by Gary Hanna, and carried on a voice vote, to approve the revised Board of Education Policies as presented 2:20-E, 2:70, 2:110, 2:125, 2.150, 2:220, 2:230, 2:250-E2, 2:260, 4:10, 4:80, 4:150, 4:170, 4:170-AP2, 4:170-AP6, 4:180, 5.10, 5:10-AP, 5:30, 5:30-API, 5:30-AP2, 5:90, 5.120, 5.120-API, 5.220, 5.220-AP, 5:260, 6.110, 6.140, 6:210, 6:300, 7.10, 7.50, 7.60, 7.60-AP2, 7.70, 7.100, 7.190-AP3, 7.270, 7.270-E, 7.290, 7.310 and 7:310-AP.*

Guidance Report – Mr. Church and Mrs. Dullard discussed current trends in education relating to class rank and G.P.A. They shared research data and reports indicating the importance of high school class rank have declined as a standard for college admission. Colleges are placing more emphasis on college preparatory course grades, curriculum strength, college admission test scores, all high school grades and essay writing ability. Ongoing discussions will continue to determine the best course of action to inspire students' optimum performance and success.

Buildings and Grounds – There were no action items. The custodial staff was applauded for their snow removal efforts.

Finance - Mr. Haring discussed continuing state funding concerns.

Executive Session - There was no Executive Session

Other Business - None

Adjourn

The motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:20 p.m. was made by Gary Coates, seconded by Jane Fredenhagen, and carried on a voice vote.

JANE FREDENHAGEN, VICE-PRESIDENT

MARGO L. OBENHAUS, SECRETARY