November 15, 2022

Board of Education Meeting: Board Briefs

The District 106 Board of Education convened for its regular business meeting at 7 p.m. on October 18th. A summary of its business is included below. To access the agenda, review the supporting documents, or view a recording of the meeting, use the links below.

Board Meeting Recording
Board Docs

Reports and Discussions

Prospective Board Member Information - An overview of the role of a board member, the characteristics of an effective board member, and how to run for one of these elected positions was presented. If you may be interested in running for one of the open seats, please review the document or listen to the discussion linked below.

<u>Prospective Board Candidate Information</u>
Recording of Prospective Board Candidate Forum

Board Member Appreciation - Highlands is fortunate to have seven dedicated, collaborative, and skilled board members. These individuals dedicate a great deal of time and energy to providing the District with excellent governance and leadership. November 15th was School Board Member Appreciation Day, and we are very grateful for the service that Andy Taylor, Jennifer Dunleavy, Jen Gusentine, Jenny Mitchell, Jodi Golm, Katy Fattaleh, and Kristi Bruno provide D106.

Superintendent's Report -

- Our construction project continues to move forward as planned.
- The superintendents for LT feeder districts are preparing a document for our school boards to consider to guide the selection process for a TTO board representative. For more details on this item, review the report in BoardDocs, review the meeting slides linked below, or listen to the discussion at 0:04:37 in the meeting recording.

Superintendent's Report

Tax Levy Discussion - An overview of the tax levy that will be submitted to the Board for approval in December was presented. For more details on this item, review the report in BoardDocs, review the meeting slides linked below, or listen to the discussion at 0:08:50 in the meeting recording.

Tentative Tax Levy Report

2023-24 School Calendar - A draft of the 2023-24 school calendar was presented to the Board for consideration. We received good feedback from the Board and Highlands staff members that will be considered when drafting the final calendar. A revised version will be presented to the Board for approval in December. For more details on this item, review the report in BoardDocs, review the meeting slides linked below, or listen to the discussion at 0:30:05 in the meeting recording.

2023-2024 Draft School Calendar

School Report Card/Illinois Assessment of Readiness/School Improvement Plan Report - Information was presented and discussion was had on the state's school report card, our school's performance on the Illinois Assessment of Readiness, and the school improvement plan each school developed. Both Highlands schools performed well on the IAR and school report card, yet there is definite room for improvement and continued growth. For more details on this item, review the report in BoardDocs, review the meeting slides linked below, or listen to the discussion at 0:44:00 in the meeting recording.

School Report Card & IAR Report
School Improvement Report

Consent Agenda Items

The Board approved the minutes of previous meetings, the monthly financial business, the personnel report, and the destruction of closed-session audio from specified meetings.