# **BOARD MEETING HIGHLIGHTS**

The following represents the action taken at the October 17, 2016 meeting of the Board of Education which was conducted in the cafeteria of Starke Primary School.

#### **SUCCESS STORY-Stars for Autism Donation**

In early September, Sandy Nicholson, a volunteer affiliated with Stars for Autism, worked with Michelle Stamper from the Pekin Walmart Superstore to obtain educational resources valued at \$1,300 that promote and educate students about Autism and Autism Awareness.

Each first grade classroom in the Pekin Primary Schools will receive an educational set of books which include: "Albert is My Friend - Helping Children Understand Autism"; "Albert Thinks About His Future"; and "Albert Builds a Friend Ship". These books are authored by Jan Luck and Dr. Linda Barboa. Also included with the set is a curriculum guide for each school and a copy of "Stars in Her Eyes, Navigating the Maze of Childhood Autism". In addition, Mrs. Nicholson has arranged for author Jan Luck to visit the primary schools and share her books with our students.

On behalf of District 108, the Board of Education would like to recognize the generosity of Walmart and Stars for Autism and express our gratitude for supporting our teachers and students.

On behalf of the Board of Education thank you!

## APPROVE TREASURER'S REPORTS AND WARRANTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2016

Approved the Treasurer's Report and Warrants for September in the amount of \$2,288,351.74 of which \$1,732,436.54 is payroll.

#### **REPORTS**

- Starke School Report (Mr. Matt Green, Principal)
- Special Education Department Update (Ms. Anne Risen, Special Education Director)
- Quarterly Budget Monitoring Report (Mr. Glayn Worrell, Business Manager)
- 2016 PARCC Highlights (Mr. Leonard Ealey, Assistant Superintendent)

#### **APPROVED MINUTES**

Approved minutes from the September 26, 2016 Board of Education meeting.

#### **ACCEPT GIFTS**

Accepted the following gifts to:

- L.E. Starke School is pleased to acknowledge the receipt of school supplies, approximately \$500 in value, from First Baptist Church in Pekin, IL.
- C.B. Smith Primary School is pleased to acknowledge the receipt of a monetary gift in the amount of \$300 from Pekin Civic Chorus to support the music program.

- Jefferson Primary School is pleased to acknowledge the receipt of a monetary gift in the amount of \$300 from Pekin Civic Chorus to support the music program.
- The Pekin District #108 Strings and Orchestra Program would like to acknowledge a donation of three cello outfits, valued at \$1898 from Mrs. Carol Beyer.

### **ACCEPTED FY16 AUDIT**

Accepted the FY16 audit as presented by Gorenz and Associates.

#### **PERSONNEL**

#### Create

Create one (1) Technology Support Specialist Position.

# Separate

 Accept the resignation of Jan Osterman, Family Community Educator, for retirement purposes effective the end of the 2016-2017 school year.

## Approve

- Approve a Family Medical Leave of Absence for maternity purposes for Brooke Schmidgall, Early Childhood Teacher, effective November 16, 2016 through January 6, 2017 for a total of 26 days, using 17 paid sick leave days and 9 unpaid leave of absence days.
- Approve Vincent Crook, Jennifer Leiva, John Cantrell, and Gregory Garcia as Substitute Teachers for the 2016-2017 school year.
- Approve Nick Wernowsky as Assistant Boys Basketball Coach at Edison Junior High School.
- Approve T.J. Orrick as Assistant Girls Basketball Coach at Edison Junior High School.

# ADOPT RESOLUTION 17:852 AUTHORIZING INTERVENTION IN THE PROCEEDINGS PENDING BEFORE THE ILLINOIS PROPERTY TAX APPEALS BOARD

Adopted Resolution 17:852 authorizing intervention in the proceedings pending before the Property Tax Appeals Board.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS**

No updates at this time.

# **Tentative November Reports**

- Finance Committee Update: Tentative Levy Scenarios
- District Report Card Update (If available)

# **Tentative November Action Items**

Establish a Hearing Date for the 2016 Levy

# BOARD OF EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENTS October 17, 2016

October 17 (Monday) Board of Education Meeting-6:45 p.m.

November 10 (Thursday) Communications Meeting-4:00 p.m.

November 11 (Friday) Veterans' Day-No School

November 14 (Monday) Board of Education Meeting-6:45 p.m.

November 18-20 Triple I Conference

November 21 (Monday) Parent Conferences: Evening

November 22 (Tuesday) Parent Conferences: Afternoon and Evening

November 23 (Wednesday) Special Holiday-No School

November 24 (Thursday) Thanksgiving-No School

November 25 (Friday) Special Holiday-No School`