

## BOARD MEETING NOTES

May 27, 2008

The Kaneland Board of Education met in Regular Session on Tuesday, May 27, 2008. The following is a summary of the meeting.

### Approval of Resignations/Employment of Staff

The Board accepted, with regret, the resignation of **Kim Malmquist** as a World Cultures/Spanish teacher at Kaneland Middle School, effective the end of the 2007-2008 school year.

The Board accepted, with regret, the resignation of **Janet Gramley** as an early childhood teacher at John Stewart Elementary School, effective the end of the 2010-2011 year for the purpose of retirement.

The Board accepted, with regret, the resignation of **Jeanene Messick** as a kindergarten teacher at Blackberry Creek Elementary School, effective the end of the 2007-2008 school year.

The Board accepted, with regret, the resignation of **Erin Erickson** as a Secretary at Kaneland Middle School, effective July 3, 2008.

The Board accepted, with regret, the resignation of **Michelle Croy** as a paraprofessional at McDole Elementary School, effective the end of the 2007-2008 school year.

The Board accepted, with regret, the resignation of **Colleen Feece** as a paraprofessional at John Shields Elementary School, effective the end of the 2007-2008 school year.

The Board accepted, with regret, the resignation of **Nancy Masterson** as a paraprofessional at McDole Elementary School, effective the end of the 2007-2008 school year.

The Board accepted, with regret, the resignation of **Jill Aiston-Smith** as Assistant Cook at Kaneland High School, effective May 14, 2008.

The Board approved the employment of **Jessica Johnson** as a Spanish/ELL teacher at Kaneland High School for the 2008-2009 school year.

The Board approved the employment of **Erin Livermore** as an art teacher at John Shields/McDole Elementary Schools for the 2008-2009 school year.

The Board approved the employment of **Kasey Pitstick** as a 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher at Blackberry Creek Elementary School for the 2008-2009 school year.

The Board approved the employment of **Jill Ann White** as an 8<sup>th</sup> grade language arts teacher at Kaneland Middle School for the 2008-2009 school year.

The Board approved the employment of **Lisa Ciccone** as a cafeteria cook at Kaneland High School, effective May 14, 2008 at an hourly salary rate of \$9.50.

The Board approved the employment of **Bryan Kunstman** as the Fine Arts Department Chairperson for the 2008-2009 school year.

### Approval of Bids

The Board approved the bid of Interstate Brands Corp. for snack cakes and bread for the 2008-2009 school year.

The Board approved the bid of Unisource through State Contract for copier paper for the 2008-2009 school year.

The Board approved the bid of Waste Management, Downers Grove, IL for disposal and recycling for the 2008-09 school year.

Approval of Changes in Selected Policies – Second Reading

The Board approved the changes in the following Board Policy on second reading as follows:

7.40 Part-Time Attendance by Private, Parochial and Home-Schooled Students

Approval of Sale/Disposal of Vehicle – Fox Valley Career Center

The Board approved the sale/disposal of vehicle at the Fox Valley Career Center as presented.

Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement with Fox Metro Water Reclamation District

The Board approved the Intergovernmental Agreement with Fox Metro Water Reclamation District as presented by the administration.

Art Purchase Awards

The winners of the Board Art Purchase Award were announced and presented their awards. The winners are as follow:

	<u>1<sup>st</sup> Place</u>	<u>Second Place</u>
	\$100 Savings Bond	\$50 Savings Bond
Kaneland Middle School	Kyle Pollastrini, 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Joey Pollastrini, 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade
John Stewart Elementary	Spencer Serwin, 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Noelle Espino, 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade
John Shields Elementary	Anna Senese, 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Natalie Ramsey, 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade
Blackberry Creek Elementary	Austin Whitmore, 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Shelby Tsakiris, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade
McDole Elementary	Katelyn Long, 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Carter Moser, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade

Strategic Plan Update – Staff and Community Relations

Dr. Fuchs updated the Board on the Strategic Plan in regard to Staff and Community Relations.

Fees Committee Report

The Ad Hoc Fees Committee met three times this spring. The purpose of this ad hoc committee was to study the fees that each family pays for a given school year. During each meeting, the committee reviewed financial data from Kaneland and surrounding school districts, as well as data from the State of Illinois. The committee also reviewed specific family data related to Kaneland fees. This data was used to make recommendations for addressing concerns regarding the student fee structure that is currently in place. The Finance Advisory Committee (FAC) met on May 13, 2008 to review the recommendations from the Ad Hoc Fees Committee. Overall, the FAC concurred with the recommendations with one exception.

Following this report to the Board of Education, the administration will review the recommendations over the next couple of months. Our goal is to have a final recommendation with a priority listing ready for the September 22<sup>nd</sup> Board meeting.

Review and Approval of Changes in Student Handbooks for 2008-2009

The Board adopted the recommended changes to the elementary, middle, and high school student handbooks for the 2008-2009 school year, including therein the approval of a 1.0 credit geography course at KHS.

### Approval of Changes in Selected Policies - First Reading

The administration has reviewed two Board policies which have revisions. The Board approved the following policies of the Board Policy Book that have changes on a first reading:

7.80 Release Time for Religious Instruction/Observance

6.330 Achievements and Awards

### Policies Requiring More Review

As we have reviewed and revised the content of the Board Policy, several policies have been set aside for further review and research. Below is a list of the policies yet to be addressed:

6.310 – Credit for Alternative Courses, Programs and Course Substitutions

6.320 – High School Credit for Proficiency.

7.310 – Publications

7.325 – Student Fund-Raising Activities

These policies will be reviewed with the goal being to resolve them for the 2009-2010 school year.

### Approval of 2008-09 Educational Support Staff Personnel Handbook

The Board approved the 2008-09 Educational Support Staff Personnel Handbook as presented by the administration.

**THE NEXT MEETING OF THE KANELAND BOARD WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 9, 2008 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE MILNAMOW ADMINISTRATIVE CENTER, KHS.**