Skokie School District 68 Board Briefs January 21, 2016 Board Meeting

District 68 strives to be a learning community that inspires our students to reach their fullest academic and human potential, encourages continuous improvement, and contributes positively to our diverse, multicultural society.



Our mission is to develop children who are confident and creative learners. We provide a rigorous curriculum and a supportive school environment that promotes high achievement, encourages personal growth, and meets the unique needs of each child.

Board Briefs

A summary of action and discussion at the School Board meeting

School Board Meetings

The public is welcome and encouraged to attend Board meetings which are usually held at 7:00 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at the Educational Service Center.

Educational Service Center

9440 N. Kenton Skokie. IL 60076

At its January 21, 2016 meeting, the Skokie School District 68 Board of Education:

- Heard a report from the Dr. James Garwood, Superintendent of Schools, on the District's PARCC scores
- Heard a report from the Dr. Peg Lasiewicki,
 Director of Special Services, on the District's Early
 Childhood Program
- Heard updates on the progress of the District's new webpage, the new secure Early Childhood entrance, and the recent technology operating system update
- Approved the minutes of the December 17, 2015, Board Meeting
- Approved the minutes of the January 8, 2016, Board Policy Committee Meeting
- Approved the January, 2016, Personnel Report
- Approved the Financial Reports for December, 2015
- Approved pay orders and expenditures for December, 2015
- Approved the Destruction of the Closed Session Audio Recording for June, 2014
- Heard a report from Una McGeough, Board President, on the January 2016 NTDSE Board Meeting
- Discussed a draft of the 2016-17 Board of Education Meeting Schedule
- Reviewed and discussed the following Board Policies:
 - 6:10 Educational Philosophy and Objectives
 - 6:15 School Accountability
 - 6:20 School Year Calendar and Day
 - o 6:40 Curriculum Development
 - o 6:50 School Wellness
 - o 6:60 Curriculum Content
 - 6:65 Student Social and Emotional Development

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Board of Education

Una McGeough President

Amy Anson, Ph.D. Vice President

Richard Berk, M.D. Board Secretary

Frank Alkyer
Katrina Bell-Jordan,
Ph.D.
Menucha Levy
Mark Weil

James Garwood, Ed.D. Superintendent

- 6:80 Teaching About Controversial Issues
- 6:100 Using Animals in the Educational Program
- 6:110 Programs for Students At Risk of Academic Failure and/or Dropping Out of School and Graduation Incentives Program
- o 6:120 Education of Children with Disabilities
- o 6:130 Program for the Gifted
- o 6:140 Education of Homeless Children
- o 6:145 Migrant Children
- 6:150 Home and Hospital Instruction
- o 6:160 English Learners
- o 6:170 Title I Programs
- 6:180 Extended Instructional Programs
- 6:190 Extracurricular and Co-Curricular Activities
- o 6:210 Instructional Materials
- o 6:230 Library Media Program
- o 6:235 Access to Electronic Networks
- o 6:240 Field Trips
- 6:250 Community Resource Persons and Volunteers
- o 6:255 Assemblies and Ceremonies
- 6:260 Complaints About Curriculum, Instructional Materials, and Programs
- o 6:270 Guidance and Counseling Program
- o 6:280 Grading and Promotion
- 6:315 High School Credit for Students in Grade 7 or 8
- 6:340 Student Testing and Assessment Program