



September 27, 2017 meeting

## Summit Hill District 161 Board Briefs

*Serving 2,900+ students living in portions of Tinley Park, Mokena, and Frankfort*

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### **Board congratulates Wall of Gratitude honorees for September**

At the Sept. 27 meeting, the Board congratulated the 54 Wall of Gratitude honorees, highlighting the expressions of appreciation for three individuals – Fred Pufahl, SHJH; Jen Pospichal, Indian Trail; and Mollie Marshall, SHJH. The names of all recipients is posted on our District 161 Facebook page. The honorees include Administrative Center: Carol Grant and John Snipes; Rogus School: Mike Ruffalo; Frankfort Square: Maranda Ahlfeld, Kelly Collins, Laura Fifer, Lisa Hyde, Jason Isdonas, Jennifer Lynch, Cathi McNeil and Tina Prorok; Indian Trail: Julie Carda, Diane Dankovich, Stacy DeJong, Ed Johnstone, Lauren Jurasits, Katie McGrath, Joanna Olszta, Kathy Pirkle, Jeanold Poggensee, Larry Trotter, Tina Walker, Pam Wandersen and Dana Wright; SHJH: Annette Barron, Katie Barry, Amanda Baske, Rita Bottomley, Jodi Canter, Scott Chromcak, Kim Coughlin, Ken Cronin, Michael Deutscher, Marybeth Egan, Elaine Noonan, Anna King, Nancy Kirschsieper, Kim Koran, Mike McDonald, Keith McGrail, Jack Mecher, Cheryl Michals, Laura Pavelich, Susan Quilantan, Nicole Rafa, Scott Smalter, Agnes Soch, Lisa Strzykalski, Ray Strzykalski and Beth Zinsky.

### **Board of Education approves 2017-18 budget**

At the Sept. 27 meeting, the Board approved the 2017-18 budget. The District anticipates revenues in the operating funds of \$35,102,894 and expenditures of \$35,392,257. This shortfall is due to the budget anticipating only two state mandated categorical payments rather than four. The Education Fund continues to be in a strong financial position with adequate reserves. The budget also allows the District to continue to make investments in its building's capital needs.

### **In personnel matters, the Board**

- approved the employment of Bill Kausal, custodian and Angiezska Maka and Amanda Lindsay, parprofessionals; and
- accepted the resignations of Chad Smith, Linda Gonzales, and Kim Grice.

### **In other matters, the Board**

- approved a memorandum of understanding related to an increase in the SHJH science fair stipend;
- heard a report on the special education advisory committee meeting; and
- heard a preview of the October 6 in-service.

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