

GARDNER – SO. WILMINGTON HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT #73

BOARD BRIEFS **Highlights of the Regular Meeting** **January 20, 2010**

GARDNER **TIF DISCUSSION**

GSW HS has received the official notice from the Village of Gardner that TIF I has been extended for 12 years. Supt. Dr. Decman and David Doglio, Board President, met with Commissioner Dick Hileman from the Gardner Village Board, to discuss TIF II and some form of sharing of revenue with the village and the school.

SENIORITY LISTS

Dr. Decman went over the Certified and Non-Certified Seniority Lists. He asked the BOE for approval.

GRADUATION DATE **& SPEAKER**

Dr. Decman asked the BOE to approve the graduation date of May 16, 2010 at 2:00 PM. Mrs. Bobbi (Naretto) Petrungaro has been asked to speak and she has accepted. We are always looking for former GSW grads that we can ask to speak at future graduations.

BUS BIDS

Dr. Decman discussed all the bus bids with the BOE. They need to decide to purchase the existing Panther Bus, purchase a new bus or keep on leasing the existing Panther Bus. They reviewed all the bids and decided to keep leasing the existing Panther Bus for 3 years.

REDUCTION IN FORCE **& FINANCIAL** **UNCERTAINTIES**

Dr. Decman reviewed a handout illustrating some of the possibilities in regards to RIFs for various programs and teachers.

HEALTHY LUNCH **COMMITTEE**

We will be getting a group together to discuss on how we can make lunch healthier for faculty and students. The group will be a combination of board members, teachers, support staff and students. The changes will take place with the start of the 2010-2011 school year.

NIKE SPONSORSHIP

Mr. Ben Bailey, Athletic Director, has negotiated an \$8,000 grant from Nike over three years. The catch is that we will have to purchase all future uniforms from Nike. Fortunately, most of our uniforms are already Nike, so this should not be an issue.

RACE TO THE TOP

Secretary of Education, Arne Duncan and the State of Illinois are proposing a grant to Illinois schools that GSW may be interested in pursuing. Dr. Decman has signed this grant and will be looking forward to further direction from the State.

ACTION ITEMS

- Approval of the Certified and Non-Certified Seniority Lists
- Approval of Graduation Date of May 16, 2010 at 2:00 PM
- Approval of 14-Passenger Bus Bid 3-year Lease with Midwest Transit
- Approval of Motion to Honorably RIF Teacher, Crystal Gamez
- Cancel 2nd Board of Education meeting of the month of January
- Accept resignation of Cassie Kirkpatrick as Pantherette coach at the end of season 2009-2010.

Superintendent Information Items:

- Legislative Up-Date
- Thank You Letter from South Wilmington Grade School
- Board & Administrator Notes

BOARD OF EDUCATION

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