

Wednesday, April 22, 2009

# NASD School Board News

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**The North Allegheny School District  
Board of School Directors  
met tonight at 7:30 PM for a Work Session  
in the CAO Board Room.**

- All Board members were in attendance, with the exception of Mr. Cunningham. In addition, Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Patricia Green; the District Solicitor, Mr. Maiello; the Superintendent's Executive Council; and Mr. Hamm and Ms. Peng, student representatives; were present.



## AGENDA

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| <b>7:00</b> | <b>DISTINGUISHED ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS</b> |
| <b>7:30</b> | <b>WORK SESSION</b>                     |
|             | <b>- Community Relations</b>            |
|             | <b>- Review of Board Folder</b>         |
|             | <b>- Speakers (Non-agenda Items)</b>    |
| <b>9:00</b> | <b>EXECUTIVE SESSION</b>                |

**Prior to the meeting,** a Distinguished Achievement Awards Ceremony was held at 7 PM. Approximately 65 students and staff members were honored. A summary of that ceremony will soon be posted on the School Board website and a video of the ceremony will be run on NATV in the near future.

In addition, Mrs. Grosheider spoke on behalf of the Board to honor **Mrs. Rose Mary Ryan** on Administrative Professionals Day. “Most people who wish to contact the Board speak first to Mrs. Ryan in the School Board office,” Mrs. Grosheider said. “She always represents us in a very positive light. She is an outstanding professional who handles the difficult challenge of working for nine different individuals so well and finds a way to make us look good. We thank her very much!”

### **SPEAKERS**

There were no speakers who came forward at this time to address the Board.

**The Board proceeded to review the items in the Board folder** upon which they will take action next week. They had some discussion on various items to clarify their questions.

Mrs. Ludwig made a point of mentioning how much Board members have appreciated the opportunity to visit some classrooms around the District to see technology demonstrations. She thanked the teachers who opened their classrooms for these opportunities and reiterated how helpful and informative this has been for the Board. Additional visits for the same purpose are scheduled in the near future.

Mrs. Bishop also thanked Dr. Green and the Administration for the opportunity to visit the classrooms. She said it was good to see the comparison of the new technology of the Classrooms for the Future at NASH to the needs at NAI and she completely supports what the District is doing to upgrade NAI.

Ms. Peng and Mr. Hamm provided impromptu updates about recent student activities and events. Ms. Peng asked the Board to write a letter to the Governor asking him to reinstate the Governor’s Schools. Mrs. Ludwig will coordinate this effort.

**Dr. Green added to her Good News Report** the information that the District was again named by NAMM to the list of Best Communities for Music Education. This is the second consecutive year that the District has been on this elite national list.

### **SPEAKERS:**

There were no speakers who came forward.

Mr. Pagone provided an update on the McKnight Madness Event last month, at which they raised \$10,800, which will grant three wishes for the Make-A-Wish Foundation. This exceeded

the goal set by the committee and they are in the process of sending thank you letters to all who assisted them this year. Mrs. Bishop commended Mr. Pagone and all those who worked on this event for the excellent turnout and results. She is aware that the program has grown dramatically in the seven years that it has existed and has provided some wonderful experiences for children.

**The meeting was adjourned at 8:22 PM.**

**Following the meeting, the Board met in Executive Session  
to discuss an employee matter.**

**The next meeting of the NA Board of School Directors  
is scheduled for April 29, 2009  
and will be held in the Board Room at CAO.**

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*Display copies of Board Books are available at each building and department office.  
Copies of the complete Board Report folder and minutes are available through the Board  
secretary's office, as well as copies of the various reports presented.*

*For information about the Board meeting schedule,  
please refer to the NA website <http://www.northalleghey.org/>.*

This update is provided by the Director of Communications and Public Relations  
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For a copy of the Official Minutes of the meeting,  
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