

Board Briefs

The Board of Education Brookwood School District 167

A Word from the Board President

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“A shared vision is not an idea...it is rather, a force in people’s hearts...at its simplest level, a shared vision is the answer to the question, What do we want to create?” – Peter M. Senge

On July 1st, the Board of Education and Brookwood School District 167 welcomed new Superintendent Dr. Valorie Moore.

Dr. Moore’s experience connecting with the community and targeting student achievement will assist the board in its goal of making student achievement the priority. Engaging the community is vital to a school district’s success. I believe an informed and engaged community is our best resource. As the Board, Superintendent, staff and community work together, we can achieve academic excellence for our students. A successful school district is comprised of stakeholders taking ownership. Later this month you are invited to a coffee and conversation with Dr. Moore.

- ◆ The organization, management and control of the Brookwood School District 167 are vested in the Board of Education, which exercises the powers and discharges the duties imposed by Illinois Statutes. The purpose of the Board is to provide education of the best obtainable quality for the elementary student population of the district within the limitations imposed by the taxpayers’ willingness to support the educational program. The Board is the legal representative of the citizens of Brookwood School District 167.
- ◆ The Board of Education has begun planning the design of the new middle school. We are working to ensure that the new school is equipped to support our students’ needs for academic success. We are not striving for mediocrity but for superiority in our curriculum and need a school that is equipped to create a learning environment in which all students excel at becoming lifelong learners and decision makers.
- ◆ I thank everyone who has agreed to contribute their time and talent to the board committees. Each of the committees will work with the Superintendent and the Board of Education when coming to a final decision. No final decisions will be made in any committee. All final decisions are made by the Board of Education. Committees will always meet under the guidelines of the Open Meetings Act. All meetings must be posted and minutes are to be taken at all meetings.

I firmly believe School District 167 can serve as a model for success by actively engaging stakeholders in the creation of new ideas, opportunities, implementation of developed initiatives, and helping to champion the objectives of the school district’s mission.

Educationally yours,

Deborah Birmingham, M.Ed.

BOARD COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

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School Registration

Monday, August 5, 2013

8:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

and

Tuesday, August 6, 2013

2:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

POLICY COMMITTEE: Chair: Carl Smith; Cathie Marcinski, Robert Moehlig, Roslon Seals, Kathleen Sorsby, Robin Reed-Guest, Atty. Charles Pulliam, Deborah Birmingham.

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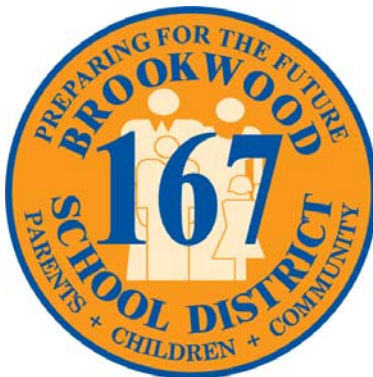
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Mission Statement:

Brookwood School District 167, in partnership with parents and community, will create a learning environment in which all students excel at becoming lifelong learners and decision makers.

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