

Board Briefs

The Board of Education Brookwood School District 167

A Word from the Board President

I would like to congratulate the parents, teachers, principals, and staff for a beautiful job well done. In the words of Margaret Mead, "never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."

Congratulations Class of 2011!!!

Since 2007, I have had the wonderful opportunity of meeting, talking and sharing with many in the community. Recently, I had the pleasure of meeting residents at the Brookwood Point and Manor Homeowners Associations. Taxpayers want to know the purpose of the Board. 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 taxpayer's willingness to support the educational program.

Board Committees

Policy Committee: To review policies of IASB adopted by the Board of Education and recommend changes where necessary to fit the model and goals of the District while always maintaining the standards of NCLB. If policy concerns are raised at board meetings, the board president may send it to committee for review. At that time the issue is closed, sent to committee and brought back to the next meeting. The Policy Committee will always meet under the guidelines of the Open

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. Once again, research shows a successful school district is comprised of stakeholders taking ownership.

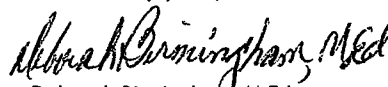
I firmly believe School District 167 can serve as a model for success by engaging stakeholders in the creation of new ideas, opportunities, implementation of developed initiatives, and helping to champion the objectives of the school district's mission. "Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today." Malcolm X

At the July board meeting the board approved the recommendation to establish committees on policy, finance, buildings and grounds, personnel,

and a Male Parent Advisory Council. A description of each committee is outlined below.

I thank everyone who has agreed to contribute their time and talent to these committees. As the district embarks upon future endeavors, I encourage you to get involved.

Educationally yours,


Deborah Birmingham, M.Ed.



Meetings Act. All meetings must be posted and minutes are to be taken at all meetings.

Finance Committee: To monitor financial decisions that the Board of Education is to consider for action. The Finance Committee will work with the Superintendent and Business Manager to compare expenditures to the budget as we go through a budget year. The Finance Committee will always meet under the guidelines of the Open Meetings Acts. All meet-

ings must be posted and minutes will be taken at all meetings.

Buildings and Grounds Committee: This committee will communicate with the Superintendent in matters that concern building security, cleanliness and operability. Building and grounds issues that arise at during board meetings may be sent out to the committee for review and brought back at the next regular meeting. The Building and Grounds Commit-

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Points of Interest:

- Congratulations to the Class of 2011 on a job well done. Best wishes in high school.
- 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 taxpayer's willingness to support the educational program.
- Board approves the recommendation to establish committees on Policy, Finance, Buildings and Grounds, and Personnel.
- Board approves the recommendation to establish a Male Parent Advisory Council to assist in preparing academic success for male students in grades 4-8th by creating a partnership with parents, tutors, mentors, and resource organizations.

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The first day of school is August 18. The first day is important. All students are expected to report.

Board Committees (continued)

tee will meet on a scheduled basis always under the guidelines of the Open Meetings Act. All meetings must be posted and minutes will be taken at all meetings.

Personnel Committee: The personnel policies of a school district are an essential part of the program of public education in a community. The philosophy of a school district and the community is generally reflected in these policies. The Board seeks to establish conditions that will attract and hold the highest qualified personnel for all positions who will de-

vote themselves to the education and welfare of our students. The Personnel Committee will always meet under the guidelines of the Open Meetings Acts. All meetings must be posted and minutes are to be taken.

Male Parent Advisory Committee (MPAC): This Committee will assist in preparing academic success for male students in grades 4-8th students by creating a partnership with parents, tutors, mentors, and resource organizations.

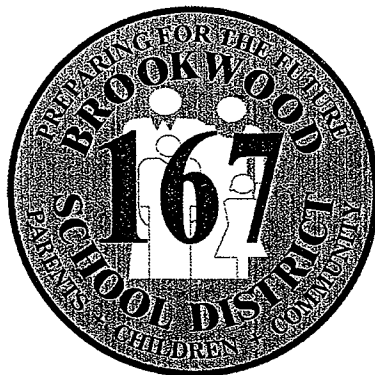
Committee will collaborate with Parent Volunteer Coordinator to develop and implement strategies for parent participation. The committee will meet every other month and provide refreshments and/or light meal to encourage parent participation.

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.

REGISTRATION

Registration will be held at Longwood School on August 8 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and August 9 from 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

All families that register children on August 8-9 will automatically be entered into a drawing for a Wal-Mart gift card.



Mission Statement:
Brookwood School District 167, in partnership with parents and community, will create a caring environment in which all students learn. This partnership shall empower all students to become responsible learners and decision makers as they prepare for the future.

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