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TO: Board of Education
FROM: John R. Langton, Interim Superintendent
DATE: April 14, 2025
RE: Superintendents' Report

BACKGROUND

I provide the Board of Education with a brief report at each regular Board of Education meeting, highlighting District activities and information.

SUMMARY.

Superintendent Search

I appreciate the work of our seven board members in completing the first round of interviews with candidates for the position of superintendent. As you conduct the second round of interviews with your finalists, we are looking forward to welcoming our new school district leader, and I, especially, look forward to assisting your new Superintendent through a smooth transition for their July 1 start!

April 1 Election Results

Congratulations and welcome back to Mr. Engstrom for being elected to the vacant two-year Board member seat. I wish to also congratulate Mr. Peterson, Mr. Rogers, and the newly elected member, Mr. Suttentbach, for their success in the election. The final seat has been closely contested between Mr. Drinnin and Mr. Szajda, and we hope to have clarity once the Canvass of Votes is shared by the DuPage Election Division, which occurs within 21 days of the election.

Broadcasting of the Board of Education Meetings

Thank you for your patience as we investigate options for broadcasting our Board of Education meetings. Our Chief Technology and Information Officer, Greg Martin, has assisted me with identifying the best option to fulfill our needs. Technology has changed significantly over the past five years, providing opportunities to meet our two priorities of (1) live broadcasting of the meetings rather than recording and posting it after the meeting; and (2) portability to ensure that we can easily set up the technology in different locations. The only other variable that will be important to implementation is to ensure that we have someone on-site to manage the live broadcast. Greg and I are also reviewing options for staffing this need.

Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Request(s)

We have received five FOIA requests since the last regular Board of Education meeting. Solly Garcia responded all five within the required timeframe, and included:

- [Postal Source request on March 7, 2025](#)
- [SMART Local 265 request on March 14, 2025](#)
- [ad.cuius.bonum@proton.me request #8 on March 29, 2025](#)
- [ad.cuius.bonum@proton.me request #9 on March 30, 2025](#)
- [ad.cuius.bonum@proton.me request #10 on March 30, 2025](#)

RECOMMENDATION(S)

None at this time.