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# **Board Meetings**

## Board discusses cell phones, Aramark and referendum

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Last Monday night, District 219 administration held a board meeting that discussed the issues of the school cell phone policy, referendum publicity, as well as the cafeteria food concern.

After much debate, the cell phone policy was approved, but with certain restrictions. Cell phone use is only allowed on campus before or after school and during students' free times. However, enforcement measures are yet to be decided.

Representatives from Aramark, West's cafeteria food service provider, were also

present at the meeting to discuss with the administration the process of the new cafeteria food program. Some issues that were brought up were the price changes over the past month and new food items including a deli bar addition. The representatives acknowledged the fact that students and faculty alike were disappointed with the high pricing of food but defended *Aramark*'s position.

"We came from other school districts in the Chicago area," a representative said, "and economically, we could not lower prices."

The district is utilizing various means to publicize the referendum to get Niles Township area voters to approve it in the upcoming election. The goal of the district is to reach parent voters through their children, as they believe a child's ideas and choices have a substantial affect on the ideas and choices of his parents.

Some of the many ways they are trying to get across to voters and their children are through literature, phone calls, buttons, letter writing, posters and flyers which have been posted up in the schools. District personnel will, in addition, give informative presentations to local businesses and air a 30-minute video about the referendum on Skokie television.

Board members also mentioned that Illinois is ranked 49 out of 50 states to receive funding from its state capitol

# Sports Brian Sandalow

# Managing Editor Missed opportunities doom Wolves, 46–29

To beat a team like Maine South, opponents must take advantage of every opportunity. According to West head coach Mark Egofske, his Wolves did not do that.

"We had plenty of opportunities but we didn't take advantage like we should have," Egofske said. "We have to capitalize better next time."

Spurred on by three West turnovers and one very costly penalty, the Hawks (5-1, 2-0) defeated the Wolves (4-2, 1-1) 46-29 and seized first place in the CSL South. Statistically, the Hawks dominated, gaining 483 total yards to West's 291. Still, the Wolves had plenty of chances to steal a victory.

On the opening kick-off, junior Walter Mendenhall fielded a low kick and preceded to hand the ball to his brother, Rashard. After 95 yards and plenty of moves later, the Wolves went up 7-0.

"This is something that we have come to expect from Rashard," Egofske said.

Even with the burst of energy, the Wolves did not fully capitalize on their momentum, allowing the Hawks back into the game.

Still, the Wolves led 15-14 after quarter. That, however, was the high-water mark as Maine South scored 18 consecutive points to go into the half leading 32-14. Midway in the third, however, an unorthodox opportunity presented itself to West.

Unaware that it was still third down, Maine South sent out their punt team. The long snap preceded to sail away from the Hawk punter as senior Peter Lucas invaded the backfield. While it appeared that the punter had started to run, he pulled up and punted and was slightly touched by Lucas. Unfortunately for West, Lucas was called for roughing the punter.

Regardless, the Wolves wouldn't have gained possession anyway as the punt hit senior Mark Krier in the back and was recovered by Maine South.

"We did some things that a not a part of Niles West football," Egofske stated. "We just had some breakdowns."

Afterwards, the teams traded points as the Wolves couldn't close to within 10 and eventually lost by 17.

Up next for the Wolves is a date with the hated Trevians of New Trier. And contrary to their 3-3 record, Egofske does not see them as struggling.

"They've played a really tough schedule," Egofske said. "It's going to be another battle."