UNITY POINT SCHOOL DISTRICT #140 4033 South Illinois Avenue Carbondale, IL 62903

Regular Board of Education Meeting Tuesday, December 10, 2013

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Unity Point School District #140 will be held in the Library at Unity Point School on Tuesday, December 10, 2013, at 6:00 PM

Roll Call

Approval of Agenda

Approval of November 12, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes

Recognition of Guests and Visitors/Public Comment

Approval of Bills

Correspondence

- *Thank You Note from Meridian School District
- *IASB Invitation to Shawnee Division Governing Meeting in Marion---1/9/14
- *Letter of Concern from Stacey Silver Teutrine, Parent, Regarding School Finances
- *Distribution and Display of Community Flyers and Posters---Policy 8:25
 - -The following requests were submitted and subsequently approved between 11/12 and 12/6/2012:
 - 1. Junior Dawgs Coed Youth Basketball Program

Public Hearing---2013 Tax Levy

*The preliminary tax levy was presented at the November board meeting. The district needs to levy taxes in the amount of \$1,500,000 not including the bond and interest levy assessed by the County Clerk of \$142,000 for a total 2013 levy of \$1,642,000.

The district is required to hold a Truth in Taxation hearing in December since the amount of taxes levied for 2013 exceeds the taxes extended for 2012 by more than 5%. Total property taxes levied for 2013 represent an 8.51% increase over the 2012 property taxes extended.

Please note that we are legally required to compare last year's extension of property taxes to the current year proposed levy. Because the equalized assessed valuation (EAV) of the district will not be determined until after the levy is filed, the dollar amount of the levy must be set high enough to cover the full extension amount available on each \$100 of the final district EAV.

Passage of Levy, Certificate of Compliance, and PTELL

*Pursuant to the review of the Tax Levy, Certificate of Compliance, and PTELL at the hearing which was held in accordance with State Law, the administration recommends that the Levy be approved as presented.

Finance Committee Update/Referendum Discussion

*Dr. James-Gross will provide an update regarding the results of the second and third/final meeting of the District's Finance Committee. Also, Dr. James-Gross and Mr. Laser will provide an update regarding Referendum 2014 efforts.

Resolution to Place Operating Referendum on March 2014 Election Ballot

*The administration recommends that the Board approve the resolution providing for the submission of the proposition of increasing the limiting rate to the voters at the March 18, 2014, general primary election.

Approval of Food Bids

*Bids for food items for the second half of the school year (January 31 – June 30, 2014) were received on December 3, 2013. Included for your review is a summary of the respective bids as prepared by Ulli Tragoudas. The administration recommends that the food bids be awarded as presented.

Principal's Update

*Current Enrollment Figures (as of 12/5/2013)

*Student Suspension Report for November 2013

Superintendent's Evaluation Process

*Attached for your review is a copy of the superintendent's evaluation instrument. The board will need to determine the timeline for completion and submission to the Board President; as well as the need for any additional information/documents from the superintendent to adequately complete the evaluation instrument.

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Administrative Remarks

Board Remarks

Adjournment