

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

Regular Board of Education Meeting  
Tuesday, May 13, 2014

**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, May 13, 2014, at 6:00 PM. An Executive Session will be held during the course of the meeting to consider the appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body.**

**Roll Call**

**Approval of Agenda**

**Approval of April 8, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes**

**Recognition of Guests and Visitors/Public Comment**

**Approval of Bills**

**Correspondence**

- \*2016 Letter of Intent to Retire---Chris Mattingly, Art Teacher
- \*2016 Letter of Intent to Retire---Mike Wright, Jr. High Language Arts Teacher
- \*Letter of Resignation from Amanda Hilt as Assistant Softball Coach
- \*Thank You Note from Deb Gurley, Interim Principal
- \*Thank You Note from Kerry Glenn, Interim Principal
- \*Thank You Note from Melissa Pickens, Jr. High Teacher
- \*Thank You Note from American Association of University Women to Chris Mattingly, Art
- \*Presidential Awards for Excellence in Math & Science Nominee---Chris Midden
- \*Non-Native Invasive Species Award Recipient---Chris Midden
- \*2014 Barnes & Noble My Favorite Teacher Contest Recipient---Molly Andrew
- \*Distribution and Display of Community Flyers and Posters---Policy 8:25
  - The following requests were submitted and subsequently approved between 4/9 and 5/9/2014:
    1. Hot Wheels Skatium June Calendar of Events
    2. Scholastic Books Warehouse Event---City of Marion Pavilion
    3. Catch on to Health Summer Newsletter---SIH Carbondale
    4. 2014 Terrier Summer Basketball Camps---CCHS
    5. 2014 Junior Terriers Tackle Football---Carbondale Junior Sports
    6. FCA Carbondale Power Camp at Carbondale Middle School
    7. Friday Night Fair---Carbondale Main Street
    8. Great Cardboard Boat Regatta---SIU

**Discussion of Class Size Concerns and Resulting Staffing Needs for 2014-2015**

- \*Current Enrollment Figures as of 5/8/2014 AND Spring Registration Update
  - Dr. James-Gross will provide an update regarding spring registration and projected enrollment numbers for the 2014-2015 school year; with subsequent discussion and approval to hire additional early elementary teachers.

### **IASB School Funding Resolution**

\*IASB is asking that local school boards adopt a resolution regarding school funding. The resolution is an opportunity for local school districts to take positive action regarding the school funding debate and to have their voices heard with their State legislators. The administration recommends that the board adopt the IASB school funding resolution as presented.

### **Award Property Casualty Insurance**

\*The bid opening was held on Wednesday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. There were five bids for review with Prairie State Insurance Cooperative providing the lowest bid for Multi-Peril School Liability Insurance. However, the administration recommends that the board award said bid to Selective Insurance Company for a three-year period beginning July 1, 2014; since the low bid did not meet the bid specifications in their entirety.

### **Award Student Insurance for 2014-2015 School Year**

\*Gerlock & Associates, out of Carterville, is the only proposal we have received for voluntary student accident insurance coverage. The "At School Rate" has taken a \$1.00 per year increase to \$29 low coverage or \$37 High coverage. Generally, we do have a few parents who choose to utilize this insurance. This coverage is in addition to any Health Insurance the parents carry. This will pay for the "Co-pay", "Deductible" and "Co-Insurance" or any other item not covered by the parent's coverage; however, some parents take the coverage as their ONLY form of insurance. The administration would recommend that the Board of Education approve K&K Insurance (with Gerlock & Associates) as our provider.

### **Principal's Update**

#### **\*2014-2015 Parent/Student Handbook Revisions**

-Enclosed are the proposed changes for the parent/student handbook for 2014-2015 school year. The administration will present any additional changes during the June board meeting with the expectation for final approval at that time. Mrs. Gurley will provide an overview of the changes during the meeting.

#### **\*2014-2015 Athletic Handbook Revisions**

-Enclosed are the proposed changes for the athletic handbook for 2014-2015 school year. The administration will present any additional changes during the June board meeting with the expectation for final approval at that time. Mrs. Gurley will provide an overview of the changes during the meeting.

#### **\*2014-2015 Kidz Klub Handbook Revisions**

-Enclosed are the proposed changes for the Kidz Klub handbook for 2014-2015 school year. The administration will present any additional changes during the June board meeting with the expectation for final approval at that time. Mrs. Gurley will provide an overview of the changes during the meeting.

#### **\*End-of-Year Activities**

-Included for your review is a list of important dates and events that will conclude the 2013-2014 school year. Mrs. Glenn will be available to answer any questions.

#### **\*UP Honors & Awards**

-Mrs. Glenn will provide an update of the student accomplishments that have occurred since the April board meeting.

#### **\*Student Suspension Report (April 9 thru May 9) ---No Suspensions to Report**

### **June and July 2014 Board Meetings**

\*Due to vacations and summer commitments, the Board will need to determine whether or not a quorum is available for the June 10<sup>th</sup> and July 15<sup>th</sup> meetings; then discuss proposed dates for rescheduling, if necessary.

### **Executive Session**

\*Discussion of Principal Search Process

\*Approval of Updated Language to Superintendent's Contract

\*Review of Legal Opinion Regarding Community Member's Complaint

### **UPEA**

### **Administrative Remarks**

### **Board Remarks**

### **Adjournment**