

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

Regular Board of Education Meeting
Tuesday, November 12, 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, November 12, 2013, 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. Action is expected.

Roll Call

Approval of Agenda

Approval of October 15, 2013 Regular Meeting Minutes

Approval of October 21, 2013 Special Meeting Minutes

Recognition of Guests and Visitors/Public Comment

Approval of Bills

Correspondence

***Salary Schedule Step Request from Kerry Glenn, 5/6 Grade--Math Teacher**

***Thank You Note from the Coffel Family for Memorial Contribution**

*Distribution and Display of Community Flyers and Posters---Policy 8:25

-The following requests were submitted and subsequently approved between 10/10 and 11/8/2013:

1. Rochman Memorial Park MAGIC Event
2. Carbondale Park District November Newsletter
3. Carbondale Jr. Sports Wrestling Registration
4. Hot Wheels Skatium October/November Calendar of Events
5. Upward Sports Basketball & Cheerleading Registration
6. LIFE Community Center October Youth Newsletter

Presentation of Library per Capita Grant

*The application for the School Library per Capita Grant for 2013-2014 has been submitted to the Secretary of State. If approved by the State, the District should receive approximately \$735.50 for library services. Illinois Statutes require the Board of Education to review the library's progress towards meeting the Illinois Standards for School Library Media Centers. Alisa Simpson, media specialist, will provide an overview of this process at the meeting.

Principal's Update

***Current Enrollment Figures (11/7/2013)**

***October/November Suspension Report**

Approve Submission of ISBE Energy Efficiency/Maintenance Grant Applications (Fall 2013)

*On April 17, 2013 ISBE announced that the State is making available \$9.8 million for the School Maintenance Grant Program. The dollar-for-dollar matching grant program provides up to \$50,000 in matching funds for the maintenance or upkeep of buildings or structures for educational purposes with a maximum grant amount of \$100,000. An additional round of maintenance grant applications are being accepted by the ISBE for the fall of 2013. The State is also making available funding for Energy Efficiency Grants with a zero dollar cap amount. Applications must be submitted in partnership with the local architect to the ROE by November 30, 2013 through the IWAS system. A meeting was held with our architect, Baysinger Design Group, on October 30, 2013. We discussed replacing the remaining original A/C units/unit ventilators in the 1966 and 1979 additions within the Energy Efficiency Grant. Projects for the maintenance grant included in this application will consist of various repairs to the roofs; portable building foundations; replacing music room carpet, plumbing/electrical repairs; and drainage/sidewalk upgrades. Baysinger has completed cost estimates for these grants and will assist in the completion of the grant applications and submission of the necessary Health Life Safety Amendments. The administration is requesting the Board of Education authorize the submission of both grant applications up to the maximum amounts allowed.

Presentation of FY13 Audit

*Kevin Batteau, CPA, with Kujawa and Batteau will present the FY13 audit report to the Board. He will be available throughout the meeting to answer any questions. Should you have any questions prior to the meeting, please contact Mr. Laser. The administration recommends acceptance of the FY13 Audit as presented.

Presentation of Levy Resolution and Tentative Tax Levy for 2013

*Mr. Laser will present a preliminary tax levy to the Board for review. The *Truth in Taxation Law* requires that the district determine the estimated amounts of taxes necessary to be levied for 2013 not less than 20 days prior to the official adoption of the aggregate tax levy. The administration will request that the Board approve the district's final tax levy at the December board meeting. In order to comply with the law, the administration recommends that the Board of Education adopt the enclosed resolution determining the estimated amount of property taxes necessary to be levied for 2013, as well as establishing the need for a public hearing during the December board meeting.

Finance Committee Update/Referendum Discussion

*Dr. James-Gross will provide an update regarding the results of the first meeting of the District's Finance Committee; as well as the agenda for the upcoming meeting on November 13, 2013. Also, the Board will need to discuss how to move forward with Referendum efforts.

Resolution Concerning Serious Safety Hazard Finding

*The administration is requesting that the Board adopt the enclosed annual resolution concerning the serious safety hazard findings. Mr. Laser will provide further information at the meeting, if needed.

Executive Session

- *Employment Issues
 - Approve Employment of Interim Principals
 - Approve Stipend for IMSA Coordinator

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Administrative & Board Remarks

Adjournment