

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

Regular Board of Education Meeting
Thursday, July 23, 2015

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 Thursday, July 23, 2015, 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 June 11, 2015 Regular Meeting Minutes

Recognition of Guests and Visitors/Public Comment

Approval of Bills

Correspondence

- *Accept Letter of Resignation from Donnie Torres, EOC/Program Aide
- *Accept Letter of Resignation from Alma Gomez, Jr. High Program Aide
- *Approval of Application for Non-Resident Pupil of Full-Time Employee---Kellie Haak
- *Thank You Note from Fleisher Family for Memorial Donation
- *IASB Calendar of Events

Follow-Up Regarding Public Comment and Posting of Board Documents Request

*Information will be provided in response to the request from Susan Pimentel, parent/community member, to revise board policy and procedures regarding public participation during board meetings.

First Reading of Unity Point Board Policies and Administrative Procedures: Section 1-3

*Sections 1-3 of the current board policy manual, including administrative procedures, have been reviewed and revised according to the IASB PRESS Policy service. Dr. James-Gross will provide an overview of the revisions during the meeting. Sections 1-3 will be available for review for the next 30 days with subsequent approval at the August board meeting.

Approval of 2015-2016 Student/Parent Handbook

*Final revisions to the student discipline section of the handbook have been updated and cross referenced with required Illinois policies and the IPA Model Student Handbook. It is the recommendation of the administration to approve the revisions as presented for the 2015-2016 school year.

Discuss Scheduling an IASB/UP Board Planning Retreat

*Per the outcome of our participation in the IASB Starting Right Workshop, the board will need to discuss a potential date and time for a board planning retreat that will focus on setting district goals and direction. Patrick Rice, IASB Field Service Director, has suggested an evening or Saturday morning in late September. Please check your calendars so Dr. Rice can be scheduled as soon as possible.

Discuss Board Member Attendance at IASB-IASA-IASBO Joint Annual Conference

*The 2015 Joint Annual Conference is a professional development opportunity that provides panels and sessions related to leadership training, program development, and legislative issues designed to assist board members and administrators throughout Illinois. The conference is held in Chicago from November 20-22, 2015. We have not attended in recent years due to the costs associated with the conference. However, due to the constantly changing political climate that is directly affecting our local schools, it may be of benefit to consider participating this year. Should the board decide to support our participation, please check your calendars as registration needs to be completed as soon as possible.

Approve Application for Use of Temporary Facility

*This application must be completed by the district architect, annually, for the use of our temporary facilities that house our Pre-K program. The administration recommends its acceptance, so that it may be forwarded to the Regional Superintendent for final approval.

End-of-Year Financial Report with Update on State Budget Issues

*Mr. Laser has prepared the end-of-year financial reports (4th Quarter Financial Analysis, Cash & Investments Analysis) based on the expenditures and revenue for the past school year as projected in the school budget. Where there are significant differences between what was projected in the budget and what actually materialized, explanations have been made. Please contact Mr. Laser should you have any questions.

Approval of Resolution to Transfer Working Cash Funds to Education Fund

*It was necessary to transfer funds from the Working Cash Fund on June 30, 2015, to prevent a negative cash balance in the Education Fund. The Administration recommends the Board approve the resolution to formalize the action of the transfer, as presented.

Administrative Update

*Current Enrollment/Registration Figures for 2015-2016

Executive Session

*2015-2016 Employment Issues:

-Request to Rescind Intent to Retire

-The administration recommends employment of the following positions:

- 1. Part-Time Supervisory Aide/Part-Time K-3 Music Teacher
- 2. Library Aide
- 3. Birth-to-Three Parent Educator
- 4. Pre-Kindergarten Program Aide
- 5. 5/6 Grade Program Aide

-Remaining positions to fill for 2015-2016 school year:

- 1. Arabic Teacher
- 2. Special Education EOC Aides (4)
- 3. Part/Time Birth-to-Three Program Aide

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Administrative Remarks

Board Remarks

Adjournment