

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

Regular Board of Education Meeting
Tuesday, July 26, 2016

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, July 26, 2016, 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; to consider collective negotiating matters with UPEA. Action is expected.

Roll Call

Approval of Agenda

Approval of June 9, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes

Recognition of Guests and Visitors/Public Comment

The Board of Education welcomes the audience to make public or employee comments. The Board has set aside time in the agenda specifically for this purpose. Pursuant to Board Policy 2.230, each speaker shall be limited to a 5-minute presentation. Please be aware that, while this is the time for the public to express its opinions and/or concerns, the Board may or may not comment regarding public presentations. If a matter of public comment warrants discussion or action of the Board of Education, such discussion or action will be added to the agenda for a future meeting.

Approval of Bills

Correspondence

- *Application for Non-Resident Pupils of Full-Time District Employees---Heather Weston
- *Thank You Note for Memorial Donation from Deb Gurley, Dean of Students
- *Thank You Note for Memorial Gift from Lori James-Gross, Superintendent

Organizational Meeting

- *Reorganization of Board Officers
 - Nominate and Elect Office of President
 - Nominate and Elect Office of Vice-President
 - Nominate and Elect Office of Secretary

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.

J-8 Summit Meeting and Illinois County School Facility Tax

*Dr. James-Gross, Morteza Daneshdoost, and Bill Laser have been in attendance over the last two meetings regarding the Jackson County sales tax initiative. The meetings were held to continue the discussion regarding the approach toward campaign efforts. At the conclusion of the July 20th meeting, it was determined that each Board of Education will need to adopt a resolution regarding the intended use of the sales tax proceeds as it applies to each district's individual needs. Sample resolutions are included for your review; the August 11th board meeting would be the target date for adopting said resolution. Dr. James-Gross and Mr. Laser will provide further information at the meeting.

Approval of Resolution to Transfer Working Cash Funds to Education Fund

*It was necessary to transfer funds in the amount of \$355,697.00 from the Working Cash Fund on June 30, 2016, 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.

IASB PRESS Policy Services

*Upon completion of our internal review of board policies, the administration recommends the use of the IASB Policy Services to keep our board manual up to date with changes in law, regulations, and local conditions. To assist member districts with their policy role, IASB offers both a service designed to develop a comprehensive policy manual and a full-maintenance policy manual updating service. For Board consideration, the features and benefits of these services are described in the attached brochures.

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.

National School Boards Association—Project Achieve

*As a reminder, the objective of this project and use of the *Student Assessment Inventory* is to support a process that encourages each participating district to identify the minimum number of tests needed for essential diagnostic, instructional and accountability purposes, and make recommendations to eliminate and/or strengthen assessments to reach a coherent, aligned assessment program. The second meeting of this project was held on Wednesday, June 15, 2016 in Chicago with Suzanne Sanders, Kerry Glenn, and Dr. James-Gross representing Unity Point. The district leadership team will provide an update regarding the work-to-date on this project.

Administrative Updates

*Current Enrollment/Registration Figures for 2016-2017

*Approval of 2016-2017 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 2016-2017 school year.

*2014-2015 Individuals with Disabilities Act/LEA Determinations Designation

*2015-2016 ROE #30 Homeless Report

Executive Session

*Discussion of UPEA Collective Bargaining Agreement

-Discussion of Non-Certified and Administrative Salary Increases

*2016-2017 Employment Issues:

-The administration recommends employment of the following positions:

1. Assistant Boys Baseball Coach
2. 5/6 Grade Program Aide
3. Receptionist/Secretary
4. Custodian/Bus Driver

-Remaining positions to fill for 2016-2017 school year:

1. Arabic Teacher
2. Pre-Kindergarten Program Aide
3. Special Education Behavior Specialist

UPEA

Administrative Remarks

Board Remarks

Adjournment