

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

Regular Board of Education Meeting
Thursday, May 12, 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 Thursday, May 12, 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.

Roll Call

Approval of Agenda

Approval of April 14, 2016 Special Meeting Minutes

Approval of April 14, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes

Approval of April 28, 2016 Special 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---Tim Ward
- *Letter of Resignation from Karla Blair, Secretary
- *Unity Point Library Announcements---Alisa Simpson
- *Jackson County Health Department Food Service Inspection Results---Ulli Tragoudas
- *Unity Point Pre-K Thank You to Lowes for Donation of Sandbox Materials---Michelle Pritchard
- *Distribution and Display of Community Flyers and Posters---Policy 8:25
 - The following requests were submitted and subsequently approved between 4/8 and 5/6/2016:
 1. Carbondale Park District—April/May Newsletters
 2. Violet Casting Call—SIU Film Project
 3. Saluki Women’s Basketball Summer Camps
 4. Fourth Friday Fair/Earth Day---Carbondale Main Street
 5. CCHS Terrier Basketball and Soccer Summer Camps
 6. Giant City Summer Kids Klub Child Care
 7. Family Vacation Night—Positive Youth Development Coalition

J-8 Summit Meeting and Illinois County School Facility Tax

*On April 26, 2016, Suzanne Sanders, Rick Asaturian, Bill Laser and Dr. James-Gross attended a meeting hosted by Murphysboro School District #186 to discuss the possibility of moving forward with the Jackson County School Facility Tax. Representatives from the eight Jackson county schools attended the meeting; including Carbondale Elementary, Carbondale High School, DeSoto, Elverado, Giant City, Murphysboro, Trico, and Unity Point. At the conclusion of the discussion, it was decided that each individual district would further discuss their interest in moving forward at their next regular board meeting. As a result, the Board will need to determine their position on pursuing the sales tax during the November election. A conversation regarding the current budget concerns and the ability to open school in August, as scheduled, was also discussed. The discussion did not provide a resolution. A second meeting of the J-8 Summit is scheduled to meet on May 31st to continue discussions around both issues.

2016-2017 Board of Education Calendar

*The Board has established the regular meeting date, time, and place as the second Thursday of every month at 6:00 PM in the Unity Point library to conduct school business. Attached is a copy of the corresponding dates for the upcoming school year. Due to vacations and summer commitments, the Board will need to determine whether or not a quorum is available for the June 9th and July 21st meetings; then discuss proposed dates for rescheduling, if necessary.

Review of Updated Board Policies: Sections 7 & 8

*Sections 7 and 8 of the current U.P. board policy manual have been reviewed and revised according to the IASB PRESS Policy services by Dr. James-Gross, Deb Gurley and board members, Craig Davis and D.W. Presley. Dr. James-Gross will provide an overview of the revisions during the meeting. Sections 7 and 8 of the board policy manual will be recommended for final approval during the June 9, 2016 board meeting.

2015-2016 ROE Health-Life-Safety Report (Results Presented 4-21-2016)

*The Regional Office of Education completed our Health-Life-Safety Inspection on January 14, 2016. We were cited with three violations; none of which are emergency situations. We had until May 1st to correct these violations---maintenance and custodial staff was able to address two of the three citations; installation of classroom door closures will remain an ongoing citation until funding becomes available.

Award Student Accident Insurance for 2016-2017 School Year

*Gerlock & Associates, out of Carterville, is the only proposal we have received for voluntary student accident insurance coverage. The "At School Rate" remains at the low rate of \$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 and all premium rates include Extended Dental for Illinois and Indiana. 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.

Approve Intergovernmental Agreements with ROE 30 Alternative School Programs

*It is the recommendation of the administration to renew the district's intergovernmental agreements with the Regional Office of Education in order to participate in the COPE Safe Schools Program and SOAR Alternative Program for the 2016-2017 school year.

Administrative Updates

- *Current Enrollment Figures as of 5/7/2016 AND Spring Registration Update
 - Dr. James-Gross will provide an update regarding spring registration and projected enrollment numbers for the 2016-2017 school year.
- *2016-2017 Athletic Handbook Revisions
 - Enclosed are the proposed changes for the athletic handbook for the 2016-2017 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.
- *2016-2017 Kidz Klub Handbook Revisions
 - Enclosed are the proposed changes for the Kidz Klub handbook for the 2016-2017 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.
- *PARCC Testing Summary
 - Included for your review is a summary of the recent administration of the PARCC test. Mrs. Glenn will provide additional information at the meeting.
- *End-of-Year Activities
 - Included for your review is a list of important dates and events that will conclude the 2015-2016 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 8 thru May 6)

Executive Session

- *Discussion/Selection of Candidates to Fulfill Board Vacancy
- *Discussion of Non-Certified and Administrative Salary Increases
- *Approval of Updated Language to Superintendent's Contract
- *Voluntary/Involuntary Transfers:
 1. Voluntary Transfer from 3rd Grade to 4th Grade
 2. Involuntary Transfer from 7/8 Literature to 7/8 Math
 3. Involuntary Transfer from K-2 Resource to 3rd Grade
- *Employments:
 1. Literature Teacher---7/8 Assignment
 2. Math Teacher---5/6 Assignment
 3. Special Education Resource Teacher—K-2 Assignment
 4. Pre-Kindergarten Teacher
 5. Head Baseball Coach
 6. Head Softball Coach
 7. Assistant Softball Coach

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Administrative Remarks

Board Remarks

Adjournment