

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

**Regular Board of Education Meeting**  
**Thursday, November 9, 2017**

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, November 9, 2017, at 6:00 PM.

**Roll Call**

**Approval of Agenda**

**Approval of October 12, 2017 Regular Meeting Minutes**

**Approval of Consent Agenda**

- \*Approval of Bills
- \*Presentation of Financial Reports
- \*Correspondence
  - Approve Letter of Intent to Retire from Bill Laser, District Accountant
  - Thank You Note from Teresa Smith, Cook
  - Memorial Thank You Note from Cheryl Graff, Regional Superintendent

**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.*

*Unity Point is joining with other Illinois districts to thank the seven members of our School Board for their educational leadership. School Board Members Day on Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup> is a special opportunity that we have each year to thank these seven individuals for providing grassroots governance. Thank you for your dedication and service to the students of Unity Point School.*

**Presentation of FY17 Annual Financial Report**

\*Kevin Batteau, CPA, with Kujawa and Batteau will present the FY17 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 FY16 Audit as presented.

**County Facility Sales Tax Update**

\*The Regional Office of Education has indicated that the first payment of the facility sales tax proceeds will be deposited to each districts' account on the 5<sup>th</sup> of each month; beginning with the July 2017 payment in November. Expected revenue for Unity Point is \$39,501.56 which is based on student enrollment as of September 30, 2016 and is 10.21% of the total Jackson County student population.

### **Approval of Request for Proposal**

\*Per last month's meeting, attached is the final version of the Request for Proposal for an Energy Performance Contracting Project. If the Board chooses to move forward with the next phase of this process, the Board will need to approve the RFP as presented.

### **Presentation of Levy Resolution and Tentative Tax Levy for 2017**

\*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 2017 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. Since the estimated tax levy for 2017 does not exceed the prior year's extension by greater than 5%, the District is not required to give public notice or conduct a public hearing.

### **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.

### **Approval of Bus Purchase**

\*Mr. Laser has located a used 2013 International 42 passenger school bus with a wheelchair lift from Midwest Transit Equipment Company. Following an inspection by Mike Mayes, we would like to pursue the purchase of this bus. The cost is \$53,728.00 which includes A/C, lettering, inspection, delivery, title, and license. Optional one and two year warranties are available for the engine and body/chassis for an additional cost of between \$790.00 and \$1967.00. This bus will replace bus #6 which is a 1995 GMC. The Administration is asking the Board for approval to purchase this bus following a clean inspection.

### **Approval of Board Member Estimated Expenses for Triple I Conference in Chicago**

\*Per Board Policy 2:125, board members must request an advance for anticipated travel expenses through the submission of Form 2.125-E2 to the Superintendent, with subsequent board approval. After spending expense advancements, Board members must complete the expense reimbursement form (2.125-E1) with the amount of actual expenses by attaching receipts. Board members must return to the District any portion of an expense advancement not used.

### **Administrative Reports**

\*Current Enrollment Figures (11/3/17)

\*Board/Community Retreat---Strategic Plan Update

\*Continuous School Improvement Update

-Mrs. Varble will provide an overview of the following items recently addressed by the Continuous Improvement Team (CIT):

1. Trauma Sensitive Schools Professional Development
2. Release of the Illinois School Report Card
3. IIRC Snapshot
4. IL-EMPOWER Pilot

### **UPEA**

### **Administrative Remarks**

### **Board Remarks**

### **Adjournment**