

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

Regular Board of Education Meeting  
Tuesday, November 18, 2008

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 18, 2008, at 6:00 PM. An Executive Session will be held during the course of the meeting. Action is anticipated.

**Executive Session:\* Consider Personnel/Employment Issues**

**Roll Call**

**Approval of Agenda**

**Approval of October 14, 2008 Minutes**

**Recognition of Guests and Visitors/Public Comment**

**Approval of Bills**

**Correspondence**

- Notice of Renewal of National Board Certification for Rebecca Borowitz
- Note of Appreciation from the Family of Joey Kelly
- IASB Chicago Conference Packets

**Public Hearing---2008 Tax Levy**

\*The preliminary tax levy was presented at the October board meeting. The district needs to levy taxes in the amount of \$1,128,200 not including the bond and interest levy assessed by the County Clerk of \$355,000 for a total 2008 levy of \$1,483,200.

The district is required to hold a truth in taxation hearing in November since the amount of taxes levied for 2008 exceeds the taxes extended for 2007 by more than 5%. Total property taxes levied for 2008 represent an 18.80% increase over the 2007 property taxes extended.

Please note that we are legally required to compare last year's extension of property taxes to the current year proposed levy. Because the equalized assessed valuation (EAV) of the district will not be determined until after the levy is filed, the dollar amount of the levy must be set high enough to cover the full extension amount available on each \$100 of the final district EAV.

### **Passage of Levy, Certificate of Compliance, and PTELL**

\*Pursuant to the review of the Tax Levy, Certificate of Compliance, and PTELL at the hearing which was held in accordance with State Law, the administration recommends that the Levy be approved as presented.

### **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 Updated Board Manual**

\*Steve Murphy, Superintendent's Intern, will be available to address any additional questions regarding the updated board policy manual. Included for your review is a copy of the revised policy regarding Educational Support Personnel (5:330) ---Mr. Murphy will provide further clarification at the meeting. If acceptable to the board, the administration recommends adoption of the manual as presented.

### **Presentation of Library per Capita Grant**

\*The application for the School Library Per Capita Grant for 2008-2009 has been submitted to the Secretary of State. If approved by the State, the District should receive approximately \$500.00 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 will provide an overview of these standards at the board meeting.

### **Principal for Instruction's Update**

- Current Enrollment Figures (as of 11/16/08)

- Faculty Grants & Initiatives

  - \*Mike Blair, EPA Grant Recipient---\$497.90

  - \*Tom Harness, SIU Teacher Education Advisory Council---New Member

### **Executive Session\***

#### **Employment Issues**

- Review of Technology Director Position/Responsibilities

#### **Discussion**

- Concerns Regarding Coaching Staff

- Concerns Regarding Parent Behavior during Girl's Basketball Game

- Concerns Regarding Residency Requirements and Employees

### **UPEA**

### **Administrative Remarks**

### **Board Remarks**

### **Adjournment**