

COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 205  
Board of Education  
7:00 PM – Monday, November 12, 2007  
932 Harrison Street—Galesburg, Illinois  
Regular Meeting

Agenda

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Moment of Silence/Pledge of Allegiance
- IV. Recognition of Visitors  
*(This is the time when visitors may request to address the Board of Education on any item germane to the role and function of the Board of Education. When the Board President so directs, persons should stand, give their name and address and begin their statements. Persons are asked to refrain from making any personal comments regarding any individual. The Board President reserves the right to limit presentations to five minutes.)*  
- Fred Wright (New Business Item XII. G.)
- V. Approval of Minutes  
Approve minutes of regular meeting of October 9, 2007, special meeting of October 9, 2007, special meeting of October 15, 2007 and special meeting of October 24, 2007.
- VI. Approval of Payrolls and Claims  
Reported by Member Nelson
- VII. Approval of Consent Agenda  
*(All items listed under the consent agenda are considered to be routine by the Board of Education and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these unless a Board member or citizen so requests in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered individually).*
  - A. Review and Approve Submission of Grant for School Library Program
  - B. Review and Approve Authorization for Student Internet Access and Acceptable Use of the Internet
  - C. Review and Approve Authorization for Staff Internet Access and Acceptable Use of the Internet
- VIII. Correspondence
- IX. Committee Reports
  - A. Budget
    - Review and Accept 2006-2007 Audit

- B. Buildings and Grounds
- C. Insurance
- D. Recruitment for Educational Diversity
- E. Student Council
- F. Alternative School Feasibility Study

X. Instructional Presentation

- A. Illinois Standards Achievement Test (ISAT)/PSAE Results

XI. Old Business

XII. New Business

*(Formal action will be required on all Action Items. These items, unless of an emergency nature or routine nature, should have been previously submitted to the Board as a Discussion Item.)*

- A. Approve Personnel Agenda
- B. Resolution for December 2007 Tentative Tax Levy
- C. Administrative Compensation Formula
- D. Compensation for Technology Certificates
- E. Award High School Diploma to Veteran (Frederick Wright) per Policy 655.09(a) Academic Achievement—Diplomas for Veterans of World War II and Korean Conflict
- F. Agreement with City for Public Safety Services

XIII. Administrative Reports

- A. Director for Human Resources
- B. Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction
- C. Knox-Warren Special Education Director
- D. Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations
- E. Superintendent

XIV. Comments By Board of Education

XV. Closed Session

XVI. Adjournment

*Next Meeting—December 10, 2007*

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Approval of Consent Agenda VII A:

Review and Approve Submission of Grant for School Library Program

Background:

This grant is submitted each year to the Illinois State Library for public school library development. The grant is estimated to be funded this year at approximately \$3,200.00. Our six elementary schools and the three secondary schools alternate receiving the funds each year to supplement their book collection. For the 2007-2008 school year, the three secondary schools will share the \$3,200.00 for purchasing library books for students.

A review of the School Library Media Program has been completed as a part of the process of grant submission.

Recommended Action:

Approve Consent Agenda Item as Presented

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Approval of Consent Agenda VII B:

Review and Approve Authorization for Student Internet Access and Acceptable use of the Internet

Background:

The Technology/District Improvement Plan requires the Board to annually approve the Authorization for Student Internet Access and Acceptable Use of the Internet.

Recommended Action:

Approve Consent Agenda Item as Present

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Approval of Consent Agenda VII C:

Review and Approve Authorization for Staff Internet Access and Acceptable Use of the Internet

Background:

The Technology/District Improvement Plan requires the Board to annually approve the Authorization for Staff Internet Access and Acceptable Use of the Internet.

Recommended Action:

Approve Consent Agenda Item as Present

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Instructional Presentation X. A:

Illinois Standards Achievement Test (ISAT)/Prairie State Achievement Exam (PSAE)

Background:

Mr. Estes will present a brief report on the Illinois Standards Achievement Test (ISAT) results for grades 3 through 8 and Prairie State Achievement Exam (PSAE) Results. Students were tested in March and April of 2007 in the areas of reading, writing, mathematics, and science.

These test results, along with participation percentages and attendance percentages, are used to calculate Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for No Child Left Behind.

Recommended Action:

None—Informational Item

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New Business XII. B:

Resolution for December 2007 Tentative Tax Levy

Background:

The Budget Committee has reviewed the December 2007 Tentative Tax Levy. After discussion with city and county officials, an equalized assessed valuation (EAV) projection has been made for 2007, and the needs of both the District and the community have been considered in applying levy rates against that EAV.

Recommended Action:

Adopt Resolution for December 2007 Tentative Tax Levy as presented

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New Business XII. C:

Administrative Compensation Formula

Background:

Board Policy 320.6 Administrative Personnel Other Than the Superintendent which was approved last month states that *“The Board of Education will consider the Superintendent’s recommendations when setting compensation for administrators.”* The policy also describes that *“District #205 administrator salaries will be computed using a formula which is based upon the teachers’ salary schedule (Masters column, bottom step), plus factoring in the number of days of the contract, responsibility factor for the position, graduate credit factor, as well as administrative experience up to twelve years.”*

Dr. Denisar, Superintendent, recommends to the Board of Education the district continue to utilize the administrative salary formula constructed by Dr. Ron Cope during his tenure as superintendent, as a means of computing administrators’ salaries. In order to remain competitive in the hiring and retention of administrators, benefits are to remain at the current level, including Board paid TRS. Upon Board approval, this formula will become effective November 26, 2007.

Recommended Action:

Approve Administrative Compensation Formula as Presented



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New Business XII. D:

Compensation for Technology Certificates

Background:

For most professional positions in the District, there is an incentive scheme in place to encourage employees to advance their education and credentials, and thus their value to the District. There is no such scheme for technology staff. The Board is asked to approve a scheme for technology staff that will allow them to increase their compensation by obtaining either or both of two important professional credentials – the Cisco Certified Network Associate and the Microsoft Certified System Engineer.

Recommended Action:

Approve Compensation for Technology Certificates as Presented

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New Business XII. E:

Award High School Diploma to Veteran (Frederick Wright) per Policy 655.09(a) Academic Achievement—Diplomas for Veterans of World War II and Korean Conflict

Background:

Mr. Frederick Wright, Jr. will be in attendance at the Board meeting to receive his honorary high school diploma. School Board Policy 655.09(a) ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT— Diplomas for Veterans of World War II and Korean Conflict states:

Upon application, an honorably discharged veteran of World War II or the Korean Conflict will be awarded a diploma provided that he or she:

- Resided within an area currently within the District at the time he or she left high school,
- Left high school before graduation in order to serve in the U.S. Armed Forces,
- Has not received a high school diploma or GED (high school equivalency).

Mr. Wright has provided the District with evidence of service time during the Korean Conflict, which lasted from June 25, 1950 through July 27, 1953, by providing the District with both:

- Form DD214 (Military Separation Form), and
- Honorable Military Discharge

Recommended Action:

Award High School Diploma to Veteran (Fred Wright) per Policy 655.09(a) Academic Achievement—Diplomas for Veterans of World War II and Korean Conflict

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New Business XII. F:

Agreement with City for Public Safety Services

Background:

When the Mayor and City Manager approached the Board of Education last March and asked for the Board's support for extension of TIF I and TIF II, they promised to extend the existing agreement with the District for provision of public safety services for the same period of time. That agreement covers the police liaison officer at GHS, the school crossing guards program, and the D.A.R.E. officer program. The 12-year extension is under the same terms and conditions as the current agreement, and has already been approved by the City Council.

Recommended Action:

Approve Agreement with City for Public Safety Services