

COMMUNITY UNIT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 205
Board of Education
7:00 PM – Monday, December 8, 2014
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.)
- V. Approval of Minutes
Approve Minutes of Special Meeting of November 10, 2014, Regular Meeting of November 17, 2014, and Special Meeting of November 24, 2014
- VI. Approval of Payrolls and Claims
Reported by Member Welty
- 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. Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement with Delabar
- VIII. Correspondence
- IX. Committee Reports
 - A. Budget
 - B. Buildings and Grounds
 - C. Insurance
 - D. Recruitment for Educational Diversity
 - E. Student Council
- X. Instructional Presentation

A. Reading Recovery

XI. Old Business

A. Discussion of Board Policy 6.310

XII. New Business

A. Approval of Personnel Agenda

B. Approval of Enterprise Zone

C. Approval of Tractor Bid

D. Approval of Resolution Providing for the Issue of Not to Exceed \$3,033,440 of Taxable General Obligation School Bonds (Qualified Zone Academy Bonds) of the District to Finance School Fire Prevention and Safety Improvements and Providing for the Levy of Taxes to Pay Such Bonds

XIII. Administrative Reports

A. Director for Human Resources

B. Knox-Warren Special Education Director

C. Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations

D. Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum and Instruction/Superintendent

XIV. Comments By Board of Education

XV. Closed Session

A. Collective Bargaining

B. Pending Litigation

XVI. Adjournment

Next Meeting—January 20, 2014

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Consent Agenda VII. A:

Approval of Intergovernmental Agreement with Delabar

Background:

This is a renewal of our agreement to continue our partnership with Delabar Career and Technical Education System.

Recommended Action:

Informational Only

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Instructional Presentation X. A:

Reading Recovery

Background:

Becky McDonald and Allyson Vaynerman, both Reading Recovery specialists, will present information on our successful reading recovery program funded by federal money from Title I. The program works with 1st grade students who are having difficulty in reading and provides intense training to help them improve their deficits.

Recommended Action:

Informational Only

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Old Business XI. A:

Discussion of Board Policy 6.310

Background:

Board Policy 6.310 was amended in March 10, 2014 and from the request of board members, we will discuss with no action at this meeting.

Recommended Action:

Discussion Only

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New Business XII. B:

Approval of Enterprise Zone

Background:

The City of Galesburg is requesting that the board passed a resolution in support of a new Enterprise Zone (similar to an existing Enterprise Zone which is to expire July 1, 2016). Like the one passed earlier in the year, this Enterprise Zone would be revenue neutral for the short term, and could be a revenue builder if new business and employment result from this zone. Enterprise Zone provides for the following:

- Abatement of property taxes for new construction, substantial renovation or expansion of an existing building that creates and sustains jobs for a period of 10 years
- sales tax on building materials purchased for the project are exempt
- construction permit fees are waived

Recommended Action:

Approve as Presented

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New Business XII. C:

Approval of Tractor Bid

Background:

Currently, the maintenance department has a tractor that is over 16 years old and is primarily used as a mower. It experienced breakdowns at least 6 times in the past year. The loader's bucket has rusted through, the machine is underweight making it not useful for moving snow (which will be critical this year at Silas Willard), it is only 2 Wheel Dr., and it has no cab for extended winter use. Because of this, the maintenance department has had to rent a machine for approximately \$750 a week.

Uses for a larger tractor will include: mowing (can do in the rain with the cab), snow removal, moving and spreading dirt, moving and spreading gravel, moving and loading cut trees, tearing out broken concrete, and loading salt in the spreader.

Two local companies placed bids. Only one of the 2 tractors bid met all of the specifications. Although most of the differences were minor, the major differences were the weight of the tractors and the capacity to lift. We recommend accepting the bid from Martin-Sullivan, Inc. for the purchase of a 2014 John Deere 6105D in the amount of \$46,900 (with trade in of the 1998 Case IH C90).

Recommended Action:

Approve as Presented

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New Business XII. D:

Approval of Resolution Providing for the Issue of Not to Exceed \$3,033,440 of Taxable General Obligation School Bonds (Qualified Zone Academy Bonds) of the District to Finance School Fire Prevention and Safety Improvements and Providing for the Levy of Taxes to Pay Such Bonds

Background:

It is recommended that the board approve the sale of bonds of the District in the amount of \$3,033,440 for the purpose of conforming its existing facilities that house students to the building code promulgated by the State Board of Education of the State of Illinois, by altering and reconstructing said facilities and having equipment purchased and installed therein. Specifically, these funds are intended to be used to remodel remediate any life safety issues in the lobby and front entrance, and to reconfigure the office area to allow for security needs.

Recommended Action:

Approve as Presented