



BOARD OF EDUCATION *Highlights*

Highlights from the April 21, 2014 business meeting

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Minutes Approved

The Board approved the minutes from the [March 17, 2014 business meeting](#), the March 17, 2014 closed meeting, the [April 14, 2014 special workshop meeting](#) and the April 14, 2014 closed meeting.

Recommendations and Reports of Superintendent



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Third Quarter Financial Report

Controller Mark Staehlin presented the third quarter financial report, reviewing fund balances, expenditures and revenues showing comparisons from last year. See [http://www.boarddocs.com/il/csd99/Board.nsf/files/9J9P565649BA/\\$file/3rd%20qtr%202014%20Financial%20Report%20w%20Attachments.pdf](http://www.boarddocs.com/il/csd99/Board.nsf/files/9J9P565649BA/$file/3rd%20qtr%202014%20Financial%20Report%20w%20Attachments.pdf).

Staehlin stated that the budget reflects that the district is stable financially, and that “things are running pretty well, as expected.” The fund balance is typically higher in the third quarter, due to the fact that all property tax revenue has been collected. Replacement taxes are projected to meet or exceed expectations, giving us discretionary funding source to cover costs in other areas. Interest income received continues to decrease.

Registration fee revenues have been negatively impacted by the increased number of fee waivers. State aid is down and prorating is occurring in the area of some special education reimbursements. Additionally, the District has experienced an increase in the number of high needs special education students. Fund balances are at \$22.9 million, which reflects a \$.6 million increase compared to third quarter last year.



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Textbook Recommendations

Students have enrolled in AP Art History, and a new textbook is being brought forward for approval and will be set on display. The course was approved in 2010, but until the 2014-15



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school year, there were not enough students enrolled to run the course.

“We’re excited to be able to run the course next year,” said Assistant Superintendent for Student Learning Gina Ziccardi.

See

[http://www.boarddocs.com/il/csd99/Board.nsf/files/9J8PGG5BBAEC/\\$file/Approval%20for%20Recommended%20Textbook%20to%20go%20on%20Display%20-%202.pdf](http://www.boarddocs.com/il/csd99/Board.nsf/files/9J8PGG5BBAEC/$file/Approval%20for%20Recommended%20Textbook%20to%20go%20on%20Display%20-%202.pdf).



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Employee Medical and Dental Premiums

The district’s insurance committee meets throughout the year and is comprised of all employee groups. It evaluates the progress of health and dental benefits and the cost of each.

The PPO medical plans, which are self-funded, will not incur a premium increase for the 2014-15 school year. The HMO plans, which are conventional plans, are fully insured by Blue Cross Blue Shield. These plans require a 6.0% increase for 2014-15; 3.5% of the increase is for fees associated with the Affordable Care Act. There is no proposed increase to any of the dental plans.

See

[http://www.boarddocs.com/il/csd99/Board.nsf/files/9J8P9H5AD135/\\$file/Medical%20and%20Dental%20Plans%20Recommended%20Premiums%202014-15.pdf](http://www.boarddocs.com/il/csd99/Board.nsf/files/9J8P9H5AD135/$file/Medical%20and%20Dental%20Plans%20Recommended%20Premiums%202014-15.pdf) for details.



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Policy Changes Due to PRESS Updates

The review of Board polices over the last five years is almost complete. Quarterly the district receives a PRESS (Policy Reference Education Subscription Service) update from the IASB which details required changes to policies based on court cases and new legislation. Past practice required a first and second reading and Board approval for all policy changes. Superintendent Dr. McDonald proposed streamlining the process when there are no substantive changes to a policy and allowing the policy committee to approve non-substantive changes without full Board approval. The Board supported the addition of a separate category for polices that have minor changes.

The Board will review and approve these policies without the first and second reading. If the Board deems it appropriate, a policy from this category may be sent back to the Policy Committee for further discussion.

The Board congratulated and thanked all those who worked since 2009 on updating the Policy Manual.



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Freedom of Information Requests

The district fulfilled three Freedom of Information requests:

1. Freedom of Information Request received via email March 10, 2014 from Lennie Jarratt. The request was for an electronic copy of all emails (including attachments) sent/received SINCE February 13, 2014 via school district email services with the following keyword: Dillard. The response to Mr. Jarratt's's request was fulfilled in a letter from Mark Staehlin sent via email on March 24, 2014.
2. Freedom of Information Request received via email March 20, 2014 from Erica Taylor, Market Reporter II, iSqFt. The request was for the plans and specifications in electronic form for the DGS Theatre Seating Project. The response to Ms. Taylor's request was fulfilled in a letter from Mark Staehlin sent via email on April 11, 2014.
3. Freedom of Information Request received via fax April 9, 2014 from Bob Baier, Organizer, Sheet Metal Workers' Local 265. The request was for a list of scheduled summer work for 2014 and names and contact information of contractors and/or sub contractors that have been awarded and/or assigned work to be performed at any location owned, rented or leased by your taxing body, which include the following scope.
 - HVAC (heating, air conditioning, ventilation), Exhaust systems.
 - HVAC Maintenance work and/or maintenance agreements.
 - Architectural metals or Roofing, used for weatherproofing and/or ornamental purposes.
 - Gutters and/or downspouts.
 - New installation and/or replacement of lockers.
 - New installation and/or replacement of toilet partitions.
 - Kitchen Renovations.

The response to Mr. Baier's request was fulfilled in a letter from Mark Staehlin sent via email on April 11, 2014.

Consent Agenda



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The Board members **unanimously approved** the following items:

- Personnel Report
- [Financial Pages](#)
- [Approval of Student Tour](#)



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- [Approval of Textbooks for 2014-15](#)
- [Appointment to the DAOES Board of Directors](#)
- Deletion of Board Policies: [3.63 Asst. Principal.pdf \(152 KB\)](#), [5.291 Assignment and Transfer \(Classified\).pdf \(5 KB\)](#), [6.172 Teacher Quality.pdf \(69 KB\)](#)

Recommendation for Action



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The Board members **approved** the following items:

- That the recommended AP Art History textbook to go on display;
- The Resolution on 2013 Tax Rates (see [Resolution of 2013 Tax Rates.pdf \(217 KB\)](#))
- A number of capital improvement items totaling over \$31,600:
 - \$217,900 for pool dehumidification equipment at North High (see [2014 Pool Dehumidification Equipment DGN Bid Recommendation.pdf \(184 KB\)](#)); this item is 30 years old and the district has been paying a great deal for repairs. A \$50,000 grant was received to offset costs.
 - \$31,421.87 for replacing seats in South High's Little Theatre (see [2014 Theatre Seating DGS Bid Recommendation.pdf \(184 KB\)](#)).
 - \$24,298.49 to replace kitchen equipment at North High (see [2014 Kitchen Equipment Bid Recommendation - Refrigerator.pdf \(119 KB\)](#)).
 - \$42,927.63 to replace kitchen ovens at both North High and South High (see [2014 Kitchen Equipment Bid Recommendation - Ovens.pdf \(185 KB\)](#)).

"Our kitchens are moving from fried to baked foods going forward, which is why we need upgraded kitchen equipment," said Staehlin.

- The new transportation contract with First Student, Inc. to provide student transportation services for the 2014-15 through 2016-17 fiscal years; see [2014 Transportation Bid Award BOE rec.pdf \(265 KB\)](#).
- To renew Treasurer's Services; see [District Treasurer Services.pdf \(22 KB\)](#).



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Old Business

Board members **unanimously approved** these policies recommended by the Policy Committee:

- [8.10 Connection with the Community.pdf \(73 KB\)](#)
- [8.20 Community Use of School Facilities.pdf \(70 KB\)](#)
- [8.30 Visitors to and Conduct on School Property.pdf \(113 KB\)](#)
- [8.40 Diplomas for Veterans.pdf \(71 KB\)](#)



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- [8.70 Accommodating Individuals with Disabilities.pdf \(6 KB\)](#)
- [8.80 Gifts to the District.pdf \(67 KB\)](#)
- [8.95 Parental Involvement.pdf \(68 KB\)](#)
- [8.100 Relations with Other Organizations and Agencies.pdf \(20 KB\)](#)
- [8.110 Public Suggestions and Concerns.pdf \(6 KB\)](#)
- [4.170 Safety Convicted Child Sex Offender and Notification Laws.pdf \(112 KB\)](#)



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New Business

The Policy Committee presented the following policies for first reading:

- [1.10 Legal Basis of the Board of Education.pdf \(9 KB\)](#)
- [1.20 District Organization, Operations, and Cooperative Agreements.pdf \(68 KB\)](#)
- [2.30 School District Elections.pdf \(232 KB\)](#)
- [2.110 Qualifications, Term and Duties of Board Officers.pdf \(171 KB\)](#)
- [4.30 Revenue and Investments.pdf \(192 KB\)](#)
- [5.10 Equal Employment Opportunity and Minority Recruitment.pdf \(165 KB\)](#)
- [5.30 Hiring Process and Criteria.pdf \(165 KB\)](#)
- [5.35 Compliance with Fair Labor Standards Act.pdf \(157 KB\)](#)
- [5.180 Temporary or Permanent Illness or Incapacity.pdf \(178 KB\)](#)
- [5.190 Teacher Qualifications.pdf \(154 KB\)](#)
- [5.240 Suspension.pdf \(218 KB\)](#)
- [7.70 Attendance and Truancy.pdf \(163 KB\)](#)
- [7.140 Search and Seizure.pdf \(208 KB\)](#)
- [7.180 Preventing Bullying, Intimidation, and Harassment.pdf \(256 KB\)](#)
- [7.190 Student Discipline.pdf \(248 KB\)](#)
- [8.90 Parent Organizations and Booster Clubs.pdf \(64 KB\)](#)

The district has nearly completed its comprehensive policy review and updating effort; the majority of district policies now align with Illinois Association of School Board recommendations. The Board congratulated the Policy Committee for its efforts.



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Communications and Announcements

- The Legislative Education Network of DuPage (LEND) will host a dinner on April 30. At the meeting, information about the PARCC assessment will be shared.
- Member **Julia Beckman** shared that at the School Association for Special Education in DuPage County (SASED) and the Illinois Humanities Council both have upcoming meetings that she will attend.



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- Member **Terry Pavesich** reported that the District 99 Education Foundation will benefit from proceeds from the Tom & Eddie's "Burger Wars" competition at Yorktown Mall.
- Member **Deb Boyle** reported that if there is any interest in proposing a resolution to the Illinois Association of School Boards, that now is the time to submit them for consideration for voting in November at the Triple I conference.

Upcoming Board Meetings

May 5, 2014 – 6:30 p.m.

Special Meeting
Administrative Service Center

May 12, 2014 – 6:30 p.m.

Board of Education Recognition Ceremony and Open House
North High

May 19, 2014 – 7:30 p.m.

Business Meeting
Administrative Service Center

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