

From the EAWRCHS Board ...

Regular Board Meeting

January 12, 2016

What follows is an unofficial summary of the East Alton - Wood River Community High School District #14 Board of Education Regular Meeting of January 12, 2016.

Resolution Providing for the Issue of Not to Exceed \$1,600,000 Taxable General Obligation School Bonds, Series 2016

The Board adopted a resolution to issue a not-to-exceed \$1,600,000 in General Obligation Bonds (“Funding Bonds”) for the purpose of paying claims against the School District, providing for the levy of a direct annual tax sufficient to pay the principal and interest on said bonds, and authorizing the sale of said bonds to the purchaser thereof. The proceeds from the issuance of these Funding Bonds will pay the claims incurred by the earlier issuance of the Alternate Revenue Bonds, the proceeds of which the District will use for educational purposes.

Board Policy Revisions Adopted

The Board approved the policy revisions to Board Policy 6.190 (Athletic Eligibility) and Board Policy 7.160 (Student Dress Code) as recommended by the administration. Specifically, Policy 6.190 was updated to reflect changes in numbers of classes with passing grades since the original policy was enacted during the time when the high school required more classes under the former “block scheduling” arrangement. Policy 7.160 was amended to allow the wearing of leggings as long as a code approved top long enough to cover the length of the buttocks was also worn. Plus, the leggings are required to meet color and all other dress code requirements for pants. This latter policy change will be reflected in the 2016-17 Student-Parent Handbook, as well.

Principal’s Report

Mrs. Robinson reported on the following:

Upcoming dates to remember

Jan	18	MLK Day—No School
	29	11:15 Student Dismissal—SIP Day for Faculty

Committees

Focus groups will continue to meet throughout the 2015-16 school year. Also, the PJC committee continues to meet to discuss evaluation issues.

Miscellaneous

Mrs. Robinson reported on the STOP Program, which is offered by the ROE as an alternative to most out-of-school suspensions. Students, in lieu of suspension, would attend the STOP Program at the ROE Alternative School in Troy for the length of their suspension and receive credit for work performed. The cost for EAWR to participate is estimated to be \$5,500 for the year, and if the Board approves, would take effect beginning with the 2016-2017 school year. She would ask the Board at a later date for formal approval, after she and Mr. Gockel gather more information. Dr. Pearson reported that the school would be able to count these students in attendance for state aid purposes.

February 4th the guidance department is sponsoring FASFA Night. Senior students and parents will be invited to meet with ISAC reps to complete financial aid information.

Superintendent's Report

The superintendent reminded the Board of its upcoming goal-setting meeting to be held on Saturday, January 23, 2016, at 8:30 a.m.