

From the EAWRCHS Board ...

Regular Board Meeting

April 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 April 12, 2016.

Hear 1st Reading of Board Policy Revisions

Superintendent Pearson gave a review of several Board policy and administrative procedure revisions, most of which were generated by the sweeping changes to the student discipline by Senate Bill 100.

As also reported at earlier Board meetings by Principal Leigh Robinson, Senate Bill 100 makes drastic inroads on a Board's power to suspend or expel students, either through exacting more stringent and individualized standards for assigning suspensions and expulsions; requiring more detailed rationales for awarding suspensions and expulsions; mandating that a threat to student or staff safety and/or disruption of learning occur before awarding suspensions or expulsions; and removing what some districts call "zero-tolerance policies." Further, Senate Bill 100 mandates that all suspended or expelled students be allowed to make up all work for full academic credit, which is a major departure from past practice at EAWR and most high schools in the state.

The new bus discipline policy also reflects the new requirement that students suspended from the bus also be allowed to make p work for full academic credit.

Also, Dr. Pearson reviewed the administrative procedures pages changes. One dealt with the issue of police interviewing students on campus and the other addressed concussion oversight team procedures. He noted that both were handy tools for the administrators to consult when faced with these sorts of issues.

The Board is scheduled to adopt these policy and procedural revisions at the May 10th Regular Meeting.

Principal's Report

Mrs. Robinson reported on the following:

Upcoming dates to remember

Apr	26	College Night—Juniors
	28	Silver Medallion—5:30 PM

29 11:15 Student Dismissal—SIP Day for Faculty
 30 Prom—LCCC—7pm
 May 6 Oiler Olympics/Yearbook/Ice Cream Social

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

MJCH—EAWR’s has put together a six student team along with Mrs. Robinson who is writing a grant proposal for the Mannie Jackson Center for the Humanities. We have received a \$500 grant so far to start funding the project next year.

PARCC Testing—Overall the devices worked really well and time on test was much higher this year. Gerry is currently doing make up testing. We are still waiting on info from the state about the science assessment.

Community Service Update—Mrs. Robinson currently has three opportunities just this week for students.

5/103—Zero	5%
11/103--Under half	11%
36/103--Over half	35%
51/103--Done	49%

Superintendent’s Report:

Dr. Pearson reported that Architect Randy Mitchell, after discussing the track repair and re-surfacing with a track contractor, and some other people at Hurst-Rosche, it appears that the earlier estimates were, as guessed, too low. The “no-bid” idea proposed by the prospective re-surfacing contractor used a cooperative purchasing program, which really only addresses the materials used in the project, and did not include labor and production management. Mr. Mitchell informed the superintendent that he should budget about \$150,000 for the re-surfacing/repair project.

After a short discussion of the timing of getting the RFP’s out quickly, and the possibility of calling a quick Special Board Meeting to approve the Technical Consulting Services Agreement with the architect (the necessary first step in getting this

project going), there was a consensus of the Board to authorize the superintendent to sign the agreement.

The Board and administration also received an invitation to the Phillips 66 Refinery CAP presentation, tour, and dinner. It will be held on Wednesday, May 11th, with the tour at 4:45 p.m. and the dinner at 6:00 p.m. Mrs. Murray asked for two reservations to the event.

Following Executive Session

The Board appointed Mrs. Radena Lemmon as Division Chair for the Health/PE/Driver Ed. Division, effective with the 2016-17 school year. She will replace the soon-to-be-retiring Joe Parmentier in that role.