

## From the EAWRCHS Board ...

### 1<sup>st</sup> Regular Board Meeting September 3, 2013

What follows is an unofficial summary of the East Alton - Wood River Community High School District #14 Board of Education 1<sup>st</sup> Regular Meeting of September 3, 2013.

#### Review of Agenda Items for the September 10, 2013 Regular Meeting

##### Hear Tentative FY 14 Budget Presentation:

The superintendent reported that, as noted in the Board meeting briefing, he had adjusted the revenue amounts for General State Aid, and local revenue for the Education, O&M, and Transportation funds, with the effect being that the expected one-year projected loss in the Education Fund would go from approximately \$670,000 to - \$732,000. The General State Aid decrease was due to larger-than-estimated pro-ration of the state aid payments, which were published since the August board meeting. However, the superintendent adjusted the Education, O&M, and Transportation projected property tax collections slightly upward.

No other changes were recommended to the tentative FY 14 Budget.

The Board will conduct its Budget Hearing at 6:00 PM on Tuesday, September 10, 2013, immediately preceding the Regular Meeting.

##### Need for Interfund Loans:

Mr. Pearson reminded the Board that it would need to make Interfund Loans, as per usual, at the September Regular Meeting. These loans help to insure that funds have the necessary cash on hand to meet expenses.

The Board viewed the projected loan amounts, which are stated in the "Summary of Cash Transactions" section of the proposed FY 2014 Budget. The Interfund loans would be: \$500,000 from Working Cash to Education; \$50,000 from Working Cash to Bond & Interest; and \$50,000 from Working Cash to Tort.

##### Publication of Teacher/Administrator Salary and Benefits Report for FY 2013:

Due to state requirements, the Board would need to post teacher and administrator salary and benefits on its Web site, as was done last year. The preparation of the report followed the ISBE format and data reporting requirements, which included all salary earned in FY 13 (including coaching, "overloads," and other extra-duty pay which qualified as TRS creditable earnings), TRS pension contributions (listed as "annuities")

on the form, and “Other Benefits” which include Board-paid health insurance, and other Board-paid insurance coverage.

Other information includes FTE (full-time equivalency) of each teacher or administrator plus the number of vacation and sick leave days allotted. The report will be posted on the Web site shortly following the Sept. 10<sup>th</sup> Board Meeting.

#### Hall of Fame Update

The Board heard a report on the progress of the Hall of Fame induction for 2013, with the superintendent noting that he had recently sent pictures and narratives for the plaques up to Healy Awards Company in Wisconsin. He reminded the Board that the Induction Dinner would be held on Saturday, October 19, 2013, at 6:00 PM, and that board members should let him know if they were planning on attending the dinner.

#### Foundation Update

The Board heard an update on some private donations to the Foundation, which would likely be used for replacing the Auditorium stage curtain, and other potential uses. These private donations could free up some existing Foundation funds to purchase new drum line equipment for the Oiler Pride Marching Band.

#### Personnel Actions:

The Board accepted the resignations of Alyssa Smith as Asst. Volleyball Coach, Dillon Brasher as Asst. Golf Coach, and Trisha Cobine as Lunchroom Supervisor.

The Board employed Emily Beasley as a new Classroom Aide. Mrs. Beasley was employed as a Science Teacher at EAWR until June 2013, but was honorably dismissed through a reduction-in-force decision made due to enrollment decline. She will be working with the Special Education Division.

A second Classroom Aide position was posted. This position would allow the District to supply a special needs student with an individual care aide.