

**Dist. 205 Board of Education**  
**Jan. 14, 2014**  
**7:40 pm – 9:15 pm**

**All Board members present**  
**Public: 9 Staff: 8 Press: 2**  
**Observer: J. Dorner**

The Board had been in closed session since 7:00 pm for the purpose of property acquisition /lease/purchase.

President Collins called the meeting to order and led the recitation of the pledge of allegiance.

**Public Comment:** None.

**Superintendent's Communications:**

Enrollment Projections and Staffing: Superintendent Pruneau presented recommendations for staffing for the following school year. These numbers will be used for assumptions for the PMA projections for the budget to be presented to the Board at the next meeting. An additional 28 fte (full time equivalent) staff was recommended that would include:

- 1.0 fte Mainstream Elementary Teacher – There is some concern that there may be 1<sup>st</sup> grade students enrolling in larger amounts than normal. This concern arises from the low numbers of kindergarteners enrolled in this current school year.
- 2.0 fte Mainstream Middle School Teachers – This is due to a need for increased Spanish and Unified Arts.
- 6.0 fte Mainstream High School Teachers – Predicted class size of the freshman class is 777. This is 138 more students than the outgoing senior class.
- 6.0 fte Special Education Teachers – Increase in students eligible for special education.
- 1.5 fte Elementary Special Education Teachers – Increase may be needed this current year.
- 2.0 fte Elementary Speech – Increases in caseload – legal limit is 60.
- 1.0 fte York Special Education Teacher – to redevelop the Guided Study programs.
- 1.0 fte Madison Special Education Teacher – Increase in caseload would require hiring in February.
- 0.5 fte Madison Speech – An ELL (English Language Learner) need.
- 8.0 fte Special Education Assistants/Aides
- 5.0 fte English Language Learners Teachers. (1.5 Elementary, 1.5 Middle School and 2.0 at the High School).

The above were considered non-discretionary staff needed. The administration has presented this to the Board so that the Board can give approval for hiring of the “best and brightest” new graduates earlier than has been possible in the past. The administration will give periodic updates to these numbers.

This is a maintenance staffing. It does not increase or decrease class size.

**Superintendent's Agenda (Consent)** The Board approved:

Donation to Lincoln (from PTA - for an amount of \$11,000 for iPad technology and training). This was removed from the consent agenda. The Board had a long discussion concerning this purchase with regard to a “suggestion list” of needed items that the administration had issued. This list contained suggestions for PTAs (or others) who might be interested in donating to a school. The list contained wifi access points, security cameras and chromebooks for the Middle schools. The

Board was concerned that this donation contained things that did not seem to fit into the list. It was determined that the list was a recommendation not necessarily the only thing that can be donated.

**Superintendent's Agenda – Action Items** The Board approved Resolution authorizing intervention in proceedings before the DuPage County Board of Review and the State of Illinois Property Tax Appeal Board.

**Upcoming Meetings:** The next regularly scheduled School Board meeting is Jan. 28th at 7:30. All meetings are held at the District 205 Center in Room(s) 215, 216, and/or 217, unless otherwise noted.

- Wednesday, Jan. 15, 7:30 pm – Special Board of Education Meeting
- Tuesday, Jan. 21, 6:30 pm – Finance and Operations Committee Meeting
- Wednesday, Jan. 22, 7:00 pm – Policy Committee Meeting

**Board Communications:** Mr. Collins reported on what the Board had discussed during closed session. D205 is working with the Park District and the City to allow D205 to negotiate an intergovernmental agreement that would allow D205 at a future date to possibly participate in a property exchange.