

Spotlight on the Board

Notes from the District 15 School Board Meeting

April 11th, 2007

Spotlight on the Board is a collection of notes taken at the District 15 School Board meetings by Frank C. Whiteley PTA's newsletter editor, Jennifer Mondy. They are meant to help parents and staff who are unable to attend the Board meetings on a regular basis to keep informed about the issues and plans affecting the district. These Notes are not endorsed by District 15 or the Board of Education. Below are the highlights from the April Regular meeting.

MRA Salary Study – Nonunion Staff

Representatives from Management Research Association outlined the results of this study involving 328 nonunion staff. Research was conducted into developing and maintaining a competitive wage structure.

Board Discussion - Status of Financial Condition

District 15 has reached the highest level of financial recognition from the state. This was attributed to having a balanced budget following the approximately \$23M in budget reductions over the past several years. The District had been in financial review for the past three years.

Board Discussion - Status of Program Restorations

Full-time assistant principals have been restored at all elementary schools for next year. Board members commented on the ability to work together to restore fifteen top parent priorities such as lower class sizes and field trips.

Ending Date – 2006/07 School Year

Friday, June 8th is the official last day of school for Grades 1 through 8

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The next scheduled Board of Education meeting is **Tuesday, April 17th, 2007**, 8 p.m. at Sundling Jr. High in Palatine. This is a Special meeting to ratify the collective bargaining agreement with the Service Employees International Union Local 73 for the years 2007/08, 08/09, 09/10, 10/11 and 2011/12