

Spotlight on the Board

Notes from the District 15 School Board Meeting

November 14th, 2007

Spotlight on the Board is a synopsis of notes and recordings taken at the District 15 School Board meetings by Frank C. Whiteley PTA's school board liaison, 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 November 14th Regular meeting.

Report on Use of Ten New Bus Routes

The Laidlaw bus contract allowed the district to create 27 new bus routes and adjust 51 others resulting in 96% of the district's 580 routes being under 45 minutes in length. Two-thirds of the longer routes involve Sundling, Sandburg and St. Theresa schools. Bids to continue contracting buses for the remainder of the school year will be voted on at the December Board meeting. Transportation options for the 2008/2009 school year will be presented to the Board in January.

Five Year Financial Projections

Long range financial projections for staffing levels, expenditures/revenues as well as other district funds for the next five years were presented to the Board as a tool for future planning.

Financial Report Card (FRC)

Board members unanimously approved posting the Financial Report Card (FRC) on the district's Web site. The vote to mail a two-page condensed version of the FRC to township residents at a cost of \$6,600 failed due to a tie 3:3 (Carlson absent).

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The next scheduled Regular Board of Education meeting will be held Wednesday, December 12th, 2007, 7 p.m. at Sundling Jr. High in Palatine.