

**ANNAWAN UNIT DISTRICT #226  
BOARD OF EDUCATION  
REGULAR MEETING  
AUGUST 18, 2014 at 4:30 PM  
ANNAWAN CUSD UNIT OFFICE, 501 WEST SOUTH STREET  
ANNAWAN, IL 61234**

**AGENDA:**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of Consent Agenda including July Minutes, Board Report and Treasurer's Report, August Bills and Payroll, Bills Paid after July Board Meeting, Activity Accounts, Credit Card Account, and Investment Report
4. Audience to Visitors and Other Communications
5. Superintendent Communications
  - A. Start of School Year
  - B. State Funding
  - C. Preliminary Audit
  - D. Hatzer-Nordstrom Sale
  - E. IASB Blackhawk Division Meeting in Geneseo on September 25, 2014
  - F. Other Communications
6. Principals' Communications
7. Board Member Committee Reports
  - A. Special Education – Nancy Goodman
  - B. Building Committee – Kim Goodley, Al Landwehr
  - C. Transportation Committee - Nancy Goodman, Dwaine Shaw Jr.
  - D. Finance Committee - Jerad Heitzler, Brian Childs
8. Old business
9. New Business
  - A. Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 (FY15)
  - B. Closed Session for the Purpose of Discussing (1) the Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee to determine its validity, and (10) The placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students.
  - C. Recommendations and/or Actions Regarding Items Considered in Closed Session
  - D. Other business to come before the Board.
10. Adjournment

Next regularly scheduled Board of Education Meeting is Wednesday September 17, 2014 with the Budget Hearing at 4:15 PM and the regular meeting beginning at 4:30 PM.

To: Annawan Unit District #226 Board of Education Members  
From: Mr. Joe Buresh, Superintendent  
Re: Regularly Scheduled School Board Meeting on 08-18-14 at 4:30 P.M.  
Date: 08-14-14

### **This is a briefing of the August School Board Meeting**

The following information is provided to help you gain an understanding of the agenda items that will be presented at the regular meeting of the Board of Education to be held on Monday afternoon, August 18, 2014.

Please review the agenda and the information sheets so that your participation can be enhanced. Please call me with any comments, questions, or ideas you have on these items prior to noon on Tuesday.

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL (4:30 PM)** – Dwaine Shaw Jr will call the meeting to order and Chris Kidd will call the roll of members. Dwaine will also introduce any guests that we have present.

**2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA (4:31 PM)**- Should anything need to be added to the agenda, now is the time for it to be added. If there are no additions, the agenda should be formally approved. Adding anything can only result in discussion of the topic, with no formal action taking place until the next meeting.

**3. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA INCLUDING JULY MINUTES, BOARD REPORT, TREASURER'S REPORT, AUGUST BILLS AND PAYROLL, BILLS PAID AFTER JULY BOARD MEETING, ACTIVITY REPORT, CREDIT CARD REPORT, AND INVESTMENT REPORT (4:33 PM)** - We will need a motion to approve these reports which are attached. If you have specific questions please call me and I will go over the items with you.

**4. AUDIENCE TO VISITORS AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS (4:35 PM)**

**5. SUPERINTENDENT COMMUNICATIONS (4:36 PM)**

**5A: Start of School Year (4:37 PM)**

We have started the 2014-2015 School Year. The start has gone very smoothly to date. Besides a major decrease in first graders at registration from what was projected, everything went smoothly. Thankfully, we were able to secure a certified Spanish Teacher at the last minute as well to start the school year. We are having a great year to date.

**Item 5B: State Funding (4:38PM)**

We have yet to see any officially approved allocations in dollars come to the local level. All budgeted items will be total "guesstimates".

**Item 5C: Preliminary Audit (4:40PM)**

Our annual audit is completed. Our audit went well and we just have minor things to continue to work to get perfect on. We will once again cited on the standard that requires a lot more internal control, with a lot of various people performing different jobs within the bookkeeping process, again which is very unrealistic of us and we will continue to get, thus in the big picture a great

audit. We are overall doing what we are supposed to legally be doing according to all regulations that we must adhere to.

For the very first time, we are moving down a category in the ISBE Financial Profile. We moved to financial review on the initial report. If you get a “2” rating on either of the first 2 categories, you cannot meet the criteria to be financially recognized mathematically. We did receive a “2” rating in the expenditures to revenue ratio. I did include the initial financial profile calculation sheet for you.

**Item 5D: Hatzer-Nordstrom Sale (4:42 PM)**

The Hatzer-Nordstrom Sale is this weekend. I will give a verbal report on it Monday.

**Item 5E: IASB Blackhawk Division Meeting in Geneseo on September 25, 2014 (4:45 PM)**

A copy of the postcard that was mailed to you is in your packet. If any of you wish to go, please let me know and I will make reservations for you.

**Item 5F: Other Communications (4:46 PM)**

**6. PRINCIPALS AND ATHLETIC DIRECTOR COMMUNICATIONS (4:48 PM)**

**Item 6A: Mr. Brau**

**Item 6B: Mr. Buresh/Mrs. Wolf**

**Item 6C: Ms. Corwin**

**7. BOARD MEMBER COMMITTEE REPORTS (5:00 PM)**

**Item 7A. Special Education – Nancy Goodman**

**Item 7B. Building Committee - Kim Goodley, Al Landwehr**

Building looks good for the start of school!

**Item 7C. Transportation Committee - Nancy Goodman, Dwaine Shaw Jr.**

**Item 7D. Finance Committee - Jerad Heitzler, Brian Childs**

**8. OLD BUSINESS (5:01 PM)**

**9. NEW BUSINESS (5:02 PM)**

**Item 9A: Tentative Budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2015 (FY15) (5:03 PM)**

A tentative Fiscal Year 2015 budget will be presented to you on Monday. I am putting in a “very tentative draft” copy today for you. Quite frankly, we have been totally stretched this entire month trying to meet the demands of this office, and then with the sale this weekend and moving the Board meeting up, this is the best that I can do so you have something on Friday. The “very tentative draft” copy has revenues of \$3,949,557 and expenses of \$4,330,354 for an overall deficit budget of \$380,797. I will be looking at this Sunday night and Monday and making adjustments, however felt it was important to have something tentative for you now.

A budget hearing has been set for September 17, 2014 at 4:15 PM. The budget needs to set for 30 days for public display before it can be adopted.

We still do NOT have any hard figures on state funding for individual grants, general state aid, etc.

***Recommendation: Approve tentative budget as presented and put on public display for 30 days.***

**Item 9B: Closed Session for the Purpose of Discussing (1) the Appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee to determine its validity and (10) The placement of individual students in special education programs and other matters relating to individual students. (5:15 PM)**

\*\*\*\*Anytime school personnel or individual student issues are discussed, the discussion needs to take place in closed session, with action only coming in open session. In talking with Janeane, this will be new to you but it is the appropriate way to handle this. Thus, this verbiage is just a formality.

There are a couple of student situations that we may choose to go into closed session for to inform but probably won't unless things deteriorate. .

Unless the Board wants to be informed staffing decisions specifically involving personnel, or the above listed student situations, there is no reason to go into closed session.

**Item 9C: Recommendations and/or Actions Regarding Items Considered in Closed Session (5:25 PM)**

**Item 9D: Other Business to Come Before the Board (5:26 PM)**

**10. Adjournment (5:27 PM)**

Once again, please call me with questions, comments, or discussion items that you have individually so that I can more fully explain them to you before Monday afternoon and make our meeting run more efficiently. Thank you!

The next regularly scheduled Board of Education Meeting is set for Wednesday, September 17, 2014 at 4:30 PM and the Budget Hearing will start at 4:15 PM.