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**MINUTES
BOARD OF EDUCATION
FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING**

**NOVEMBER 24, 2014
6:30 p.m.
CENTRAL SERVICES OFFICE
793 NORTH MAIN STREET
GLEN ELLYN, IL 60137**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Committee members Joe Bochenski, and Board of Education member Dean Elger, Superintendent Dr. Paul Gordon, Assistant Superintendents Bob Ciserella and Laurie Campbell, Director of Technology Mike Wood, Chief Communication Officer Erika Krehbiel and Recording Secretary Carolyn Gust.

Review and approval of minutes from the November 24, 2014, meeting

The minutes were reviewed and approved and will be posted to the district website.

Class Size Targets

The administration recommends maintaining 2015-2016 class sizes at current levels.

Current class size targets are as follows:

20-22 students per class in grades K-1 (Level I)

22-25 students per class in Grades 2-3 (Level II)

25-27 students per class in grades 4-5 (Level III)

26-28 students per class in grades 6-8

23-25 students per class in grades 4 and 5 in schools that have not made AYP for two consecutive years

The administration reviews the targets with consideration given to, but not a guarantee of, adding staff in the event that academic performance of a grade level at a particular school falls significantly below the norm for the district. Grade level MAP Testing results and ISAT results will be used as the comparative measure. Existing class levels are also monitored. The review and, if necessary, recommendation for additional staff would be completed by the administration and brought to the board for approval.

If the passage of SB16 results in significant financial impact to District 41, then the administration may return to the board with a revised recommendation at a later date.

This information will be presented to the Board of Education for discussion at the December 8, 2014, meeting.

Interim Electric Supplier

The existing electric services agreement will expire in mid-December. The administration has entered into a short term fixed electric service agreement with MidAmerican Energy that will run from mid-December through mid-March. As a result of unusually cold weather, pricing has increased rather dramatically over the past several weeks.

The administration has decided to delay entering into a long term agreement until early spring to secure a more advantageous pricing quote. The new agreement calls for a fixed rate of \$0.07265/kWk.

Open Items

None.

Other

The CAFR and management letter were distributed to the entire Board of Education. District auditors will present the findings at the first meeting in January. All filings have been completed and the Certificate of Excellence application will be submitted in the near future.

Administration requested authorization to pay interim bills, i.e. utilities and contractors who have approved pay requests and the committee gave its approval.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Carolyn Gust
Recording Secretary