

BOARD BRIEFS

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE, FEBRUARY 1, 2018

HUNTLEY COMMUNITY SCHOOL DISTRICT 158 BOARD OF EDUCATION

SHIFTED SUMMER SCHOOL SCHEDULE PROPOSED

Due to a compressed summer calendar and the timing of the July 4th holiday, the administration has proposed that Summer School sessions be compressed to three 5-day weeks instead of four 4-day weeks.

Under the proposal, the length of the session each day has been increased by 18 minutes to allow for the same number of hours to meet seat time requirements as in past years. This structure allows for the same number of hours allotted for instruction, while also honoring family schedules that might occur around the July 4th holiday in the middle of that calendar week.

In addition, the Summer ICE programming will be offered in partnership with Huntley Library. Summer ICE has been offered in the district for four years, with goals that are very similar to summer and family reading programs that are offered by many public libraries.

The initial investigation of Summer ICE included the hope that eventually the public library could be a key partner for these services. This partnership has been established, and the District is working with the library to design a summer family reading program that will have a broader reach in the community, and will replace Summer ICE as a program for reaching those goals.

The recommendation for ESY summer programming is identical to summer 2017: four 4-day weeks. Administration believes that these changes will better meet the needs of students and result in improved programming and opportunities, and will also address some concerns caused by a compressed summer calendar for summer 2018.

It is projected that, as in previous years, the summer school program will be cost neutral, with incoming revenue covering programming and personnel costs.

The Board will vote on the proposal at its next regular meeting, February 22, 2018. The full proposal is online at <https://v3.boardbook.org/Public/PublicItemDownload.aspx?ik=41892954>.

SEVEN OF NINE H158 BUILDINGS NOW ENERGY STAR RATED

Mr. Renkosik presented the Operations and Maintenance Department annual report, highlighting a number of impressive figures and accomplishments.

Notably, six Huntley 158 buildings recently received ENERGY STAR certification from the federal Environmental Protection Agency.

Chesak Elementary School, Heineman Middle School, Huntley High School, Leggee Elementary School, Marlowe Middle School, and Martin Elementary School received the designation in 2017. The District Administration and Transportation Center received the designation in 2015. Just 156 K-12 school facilities in Illinois hold the designation.

The O&M Department now maintains 1,528,108 square feet of buildings, and 3,355,111 square feet of pavement. [Full report »](#)

Extracurricular Stipend Positions Recommended

The administration presented a plan for the creation of a number of stipend positions to fill a need for additional extracurricular sponsors at the elementary, middle, and high school levels. In addition, the proposal includes the elimination of some positions no longer needed. The total cost of the new positions is expected to be approximately \$16,000. The Board will vote on the proposal at its next regular meeting.

District Investigating Solar Opportunities

Huntley 158 has saved taxpayers millions of dollars in energy costs over the past several years through energy efficiency projects. The District has recently been investigating opportunities for solar power installation opportunities on one or more campus properties. The administration is seeking the approval of the Board to issue an RFP for a solar installation to be able to capture financial incentives from government agencies, reduce a substantial percentage of the District's energy usage costs, and potentially receive cash flow from energy production. The Board will vote whether to allow the District to move forward at its next meeting.

Informational Reports

The Board heard reports on the following:

- Monthly fiscal, Revenue and Expenditure, HR, Operations and Maintenance, Legislative, and Buildings and Grounds updates.
- The FY19 Capital Projects list.
- Possible proposals to be submitted for next year's IASB conference.

Pending Actions

At its next Regular Meeting April 20, the Board will vote whether to approve:

- Payables: Purchase orders at \$397,144.53; Imprest checks at \$95,000.49; accounts payable at \$689.21; and disbursements issued at \$985,154.88.
- A resolution to establish a fiscal year for Huntley Community SD158 as per 105ILCS 5/17-1, for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.
- A resolution appointing Mr. Altmayer as the person to prepare a Tentative Budget of the Board.

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