



Community Unit School District 308

SERVING ALL OR PARTS OF THE COMMUNITIES OF
AURORA, JOLIET, MONTGOMERY, OSWEGO, PLAINFIELD AND YORKVILLE

LEGISLATIVE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Oswego East High School – Room C217

Monday, February 23, 2015

5:30 p.m. – 6:45 p.m.

I. Roll call

Meeting called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Board of Education Member and Committee Chair Mr. Greg O'Neil

The attendance sign-in sheet was used in place of an official roll call.

Members in Attendance: Alexa Backus, Michael Blaylock, Tracy Collander, Anne Elwood, Kevin Harris, Amanda Mancke, Jamil Nichols, Brian Valek, Natalie Winkfield, Melissa Woolever, Greg O'Neil, Dr. Paul O'Malley

Guests in Attendance: None

Members Absent: Sherry Bochenek

Recording Secretary: Maria Benak

II. Welcome and Committee Member Introductions

Committee members introduced themselves.

III. Review of Advisory Committee Guidelines; Roles and Responsibilities of Members

The Open Meetings Act was discussed, as well as the deadlines for completion. Questions can be directed to Karen Lansky at klansky@sd308.org. The 60 day deadline for completion begins February 23, 2015.

IV. Goals and Expectations

Dr. O'Malley discussed the goals of the district for the Legislative Advisory Committee (LAC) and encouraged members to consider what their goals are to foster a successful committee.

Members would like clarification as to what their role is within the committee, and what they should begin doing prior to the next meeting.

V. Future Meeting Dates/Times/Locations

Intention is to look at Monday evenings before board meetings to hold future meeting dates. Suggested meeting times will be sent out.

VI. Discussion: 2004 Construction Grants

The 2004 state construction grant was discussed. Currently, this is one of the top priorities of the school district. The resolution was reviewed and members are encouraged to make recommendations.

It was suggested that payment options be presented to legislators when requesting the grant money.

VII. Senate Bill 1 Education Forum Hosted by State Representative Kifowit

Senator Manar and Representative Kifowit are hosting a forum concerning the General State Aid (GSA) formula, and how funds will be distributed to Illinois school districts. Committee members are encouraged to attend.

VIII. Discuss: Visit Dates to Springfield to Meet with Legislators

The committee members are encouraged to unite on behalf of the district to visit Springfield. Dates will be forthcoming (possible first weeks of May) and a sponsor will be sought.

IX. Public Comment (3 Minutes Each)

No one was present for public comment.

X. Adjournment

A motion was made by Mr. Greg O'Neil to adjourn. All present were in favor to adjourn. Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

Next Meeting: TBD