Annual Review of Safety Plans, Protocols, Procedures, and School Safety Drills Report

The Board of Education accepted the Annual Review of Safety Plans, Protocols, Procedures, and School Safety Drills Report, and authorized the Superintendent to complete and submit the required paperwork to the Regional Office of Education or other office as designated.

Public Act 94-0600 requires school districts to submit a report to the Regional Office of Education recording that an annual review meeting was held to review safety plans, protocols, procedures, and school safety drills, and also requires school districts to invite all emergency response units to contribute to this yearly review.

Administration at each District 211 school conducted a minimum of the following required safety drills, involving both staff members and students: three School Evacuation (fire) drills, one Bus Evacuation drill, and one Severe Weather/Shelter in place (tornado) drill. Administration also conducted at least one Law Enforcement (lockdown) drill at each school. All schools had planned on conducting a second drill beyond the one required drill, but due to the COVID-19 pandemic and related school closure at the end of the 2019-2020 school year, not all schools were able to do so.

Additional information on the Annual Review of Safety Plans, Protocols, Procedures, and School Safety Drills Report is available here.

Equity Report

Township High School District 211 believes that equity is a fundamental concept to both student success and operation as a public school system, and the District is fortunate to serve students and families that represent a large number of diverse cultures and backgrounds. The District has a strong history as a school community where concepts of equity are valued and integrated into the mindset, actions, and daily interactions of every student, staff member, and parent. District 211 has been, and continues to be, aware of the necessity that it understands and responds to the ever-changing needs within both the school community and broader world. The District's previous work to reduce student opportunity based on previous educational experiences and achievement gaps has shown that when all stakeholders focus on promoting equity to close these gaps, student feelings of belonging, academic achievement, and social-emotional health increase dramatically.

Educational equity ensures that the District's decisions, policies, and practices are culturally sensitive and provide all students with access, opportunity, support, and resources. Having a clear plan of action is essential to growing knowledge,

The Board approved the proposed revisions to Board policy: <u>JFCH Prevention of and Response to Student Bullying</u> after initially reviewing policy revisions at its June 18, 2020 meeting.

The Board also initially reviewed proposed revisions to Board policies: IKE Graduation Requirements; IKC Promotion; and BDDB Agenda Format. No action was taken at the meeting.

Resolution: Township High School District 211 2020-2021 School Year COVID-19 Plan

The Board of Education approved a resolution for the District 211 2020-2021 School Year COVID-19 Plan, as presented. The document presented to the Board contained the overarching details of the three scenarios that may be used durW*n@F8W*n@0.00000912 0 612 792 reW*nBT/F2 12 Tf1 0 0 1 90.025 17 Tm0 g0 G[2)-6(0)14(2)

Student User Fees

At its February 13 meeting, the Board of Education set the general registration fee for the use of textbooks, instructional supplies, driver education behind-thewheel, student parking, transportation, and school breakfast and lunch. Summer school fees for 2020 were set at the January 16, 2020 meeting.

The Board received a report containing additional information about student user fees and the recommended fees for the 2020-2021 school year. After discussion at its June 18, 2020 meeting and this meeting, and in light of the current COVID-19 health pandemic and financial challenges facing District families, along with the ending budget surplus for the 2020 fiscal year, the Board waived the textbook/instructional fees of \$170 for all students for the 2020-2021 school year. Further, the Board also waived the student parking fee of \$75 per semester for all students for the 2020-2021 school year.

Resolution Directing Interfund Transfers for Life Safety Projects

High School District 211 has used both the Capital Projects Fund and Life Safety Fund as separate accounting funds for payment of its capital and life safety projects. Historically, life safety projects were paid through the use of life safety bonds, and over the past two years, the District has become debt free and pays for all facility improvement projects through its annual budget and budget reserves. At its meeting on March 12, 2020, the Board of Education reviewed the financial planning for capital and life safety projects, which includes payment of all projects through the Operations and Maintenance Fund. Approximately \$250,000 in fund balance remains in the Capital Projects Fund and \$1.5 million remains in the Life Safety Fund. The transferred funds will continue to be used for the same purpose – to pay for capital and life safety projects – but will now be budgeted in the Operations and Maintenance Fund budget.

Under Illinois School Code section 105 ILCS 5/7-2.11(j), a school district may transfer surplus taxes and interest earnings from the Life Safety Fund to the Operations and Maintenance Fund by proper resolution. In order to do so, the Board must publish notice of a public hearing and hold the hearing prior to adopting a resolution.

The Board of Education directs publication of a notice of public hearing to take place at its August 13, 2020 meeting to consider permanent interfund transfer of \$1,511,361 from the Life Safety Fund to its Operations and Maintenance Fund.

Additional information is available here.

Revised School Calendar for 2020-2021