

Board of Education Meeting Recap

The Township High School District 211 Board of Education met on Thursday, September 19, 2019, in the cafeteria at Palatine High School. The following is a recap of items that were acted upon at the meeting.

and benefit data that must be reported to the ISBE reflects the actual salary and benefits provided to all certificated staff for the period of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

The District 211 [Salary Compensation Report](#) will be sent to ISBE and posted on the District website by October 1, 2019.

Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Report

Tax Increment Financing (TIF) is a financial mechanism widely used by municipalities and counties to promote economic development and redevelopment. The use of TIF is intended to generate economic development activity that would not have occurred

In property tax TIF districts, the Equalized Assessed Value (EAV) of the properties within the TIF district at the time of creation is established as a

Tax revenues in each subsequent year that are paid by the businesses in the TIF district are paid as usual to Cook County. However, the distribution of the property taxes paid is split between the taxing body (the District) and the municipality. The District receives property taxes in the amount of the frozen EAV times the tax rate. The amount of property taxes from the incremental growth in EAV over the frozen amount go directly to the municipality and are used to pay for redevelopment costs. Once the redevelopment project is completed and has been paid, the TIF district is dissolved and the increment EAV is added to the tax base accessible to all eligible taxing districts. In Illinois, TIF districts are authorized for a period of up to

The search firm has conducted in-person interviews with a narrowed list of candidates and will present a slate of six potential candidates to the Board in closed session at the meeting. The Board will consider information about each candidate and determine the number of individuals to be interviewed.

Potential dates for the Board to conduct a special closed session meeting for the purpose of interviewing candidates include: October 2, October 7, October 10, October 14, and October 15.

The Board next regularly scheduled meeting is October 17. At the outset of the process, the original schedule projected a target date of October 24 for a special Board meeting for the purpose of announcing the next superintendent, but this date may change at the discretion of the Board.

Proposed New Policy and Policy Revisions

As part of its ongoing Policy Manual review, the Board of Education reviews proposed policy revisions, proposed policy deletions, and proposed new policies from the Administrative Board Policy Group. The Group is comprised of Board President **Robert LeFevre**, Board Vice President **Anna Klimkowicz**, Associate Superintendent **Lisa Small**, Associate Superintendent **Mark Kovack**, Director of Administrative Services **Matthew Hildebrand**, and Assistant to the Superintendent **Kathe Lingl**.

The Board conducted its first review of proposed new policy [JAA Equal Educational Opportunities](#). The policy will be discussed at a special Board meeting on October 10, 2019, and reviewed again by the Board at its regular meeting on October 17, 2019. No vote will be taken on the policy until a later date.

The Board also initially reviewed a proposed revision to Board policy file: [IKE Graduation Requirements](#). No action was taken at the meeting.

Response to Request for Information: Solar Energy Proposal

throughout the District as a compo

lower. The CPI-U for 2018 was 1.9%, so the following restrictions will be in place for the 2019 levy:

1.9% limit on the 2019 tax extension over the 2018 amount, plus the 2018 levy abatement (tax cap);

The prior year equalized assessed valuation (EAV); and

No levy for non-capped funds.

At the next District Budget and Finance Committee meeting on October 3, 2019, and the next Board of Education meeting on October 17, 2019, additional 2019 levy information will be presented for discussion and consideration. Should the committee seek further information, an additional Budget and Finance Committee meeting will be held on November 6, 2019, to further review the 2019 levy. The Board will be presented with a proposed levy amount at its November 14, 2019 meeting.

Additional tax levy information, including the 2019 Tax Levy Calendar, is available [here](#).

AT&T Settlement and Release Agreement

Early in 2018, High School District 211 and AT&T negotiated a new contract for services that included an increase in circuit capacity and pricing based on the bandwidth used rather than a fixed dollar amount per month. The savings to the District is substantial, estimated at \$150,000 per year, depending on the actual utilization. The contract effective date was July 1, 2018. Unfortunately, AT&T was unable to activate the new circuit until February 2019 and continued to bill the District under the terms of the old contract. In December 2018, AT&T agreed that the District would suspend all related payments until the new circuit was in place, and the new circuits were brought online in February 2019.

In order to rectify the billing discrepancy relayed to the delay in execution of the new circuit and the rate adjustment, the Board of Education authorized the superintendent to approve a settlement and release agreement with AT&T in the amount of \$165,000.

Resolution Authorizing the Sale of School District Property Located at 12N475 Berner Drive in Elgin

At its August 15, 2019 meeting, the Board of Education approved a resolution authorizing the sale of real estate by a licensed Realtor, and a motion authorizing Cindy Eich of Remax at Home to continue as the listing agent tract.

Additional information is available [here](#).