

**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**September 17, 2013**

**CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL**

A Special Business Meeting of the Board of Education of Lake Forest Community High School District #115, County of Lake, State of Illinois, was held on Tuesday, September 17, 2013 at 7:20 p.m. at West Campus to hold a Budget Hearing on the 2013-2014 Budget.

On Roll Call the following Members were found to be present:

Dick Block, Vice President  
Nicki Snoblin, Secretary  
Monty Edson, Member  
Ted Moorman, Member  
Dave Schreiber, Member  
John Powers, Member  
Todd Burgener, President

Administration: Michael Simeck, Superintendent  
Allen Albus, Deputy Superintendent for Finance and Operations  
Jennifer Hermes, Asst. Superintendent of Business Services  
Lauren Fagel, Asst. Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction,  
Technology & Assessment  
Andy Henrikson, Asst. Superintendent of Human Resources  
Barry Rodgers, Principal

Mr. Burgener opened the Budget Hearing at 7:10 p.m. and asked Mrs. Hermes to provide a brief overview of the 2013-2014 Budget. Mrs. Hermes provided an all-funds summary noting that 64% of projected expenditures overall are in the Educational fund and in the top operating funds not including bond and interest or capital projects, Educational is 80% of total expenditures.

Mrs. Hermes reviewed the process for building the Budget which begins with input from the Administration. By law, the Budget must be adopted by the end of the first quarter of the Fiscal Year. Once constructed, the Budget is reviewed by the Finance Committee. The deadline for our budget is September 30<sup>th</sup>. Prior to adoption, the Budget must be on public display for a minimum of 30 days. This Budget has been on display since July. A date and time was scheduled for this Public Hearing to allow public comment and notice of the meeting was published in the newspaper. The District has complied with all requirements.

Capital project highlights of the Budget include the East Campus track project, infrastructure improvements including the Decktron units, chillers, pool lighting and work on network density in the building. We are also in the second year of the four year contract with the LFEA.

An examination of Educational fund revenue sources shows that local revenue is around 94%, the largest source of our funds. State funding is at 3% and Federal funding is 3%. State funds are broken down into two areas, General State Aid and Categorical, or grants.

General State Aid, if funded fully, is a flat \$216 per pupil. The State has been funding between 85% and 90% or \$192 per student. State grants are funded at varying allocations. Federal funds are all grants. The District is very dependent on property tax.

Educational fund expenditures include salaries, benefits, purchased services, supplies, capital outlay, other and termination benefits. Salaries and benefits combined make up about 80% of Educational fund expenditures. Overall, Educational fund expenditures are 2.46% higher this year than they were last year.

Variables in the Budget include payments from the State, final staffing, professional growth which is teacher movement on the salary schedule, energy costs and tuition for outplaced students.

Mr. Burgener opened the floor for public comment. There was no public comment.

Mr. Burgener asked for a motion to adjourn the Budget Hearing.

**MOTION:** It was moved by Mrs. Snoblin and seconded by Mr. Moorman that the Budget Hearing be adjourned.

On voice vote, the motion carried

The hearing was adjourned at 7:37 p.m.