

CAC Notes ~

Agenda for January 21 CAC Meeting

Wednesday, January 21, 2004 ~ 7:00-9:00 p.m.
Parkside Elementary School
1900 West College Avenue, Normal, Illinois

- Welcome and Introductions
- Proposed Financial Decisions
 - *Dr. Alan Chapman, interim superintendent, will provide an overview of the Board of Education's proposed financial plan. A moderated discussion among CAC members, board members, and administrators will follow.*
- CAC Organizational Business
- Spring 2004 Study Topic Introduction and Committee Assignment
- Study Topic Committee Work Sessions



CAC Study Projects ~ Spring 2004

In collaboration with the Community Involvement Committee of the Board of Education, three study topics have been developed for review during the Spring 2004 CAC session. These study topics are as follows:

- Developing a Fundraising Resource Guide
- Creating a Legislative Action Manual
- Exploring Tiering

Please come to the meeting prepared to select a study topic, bearing in mind that there should be one representative from each school and at least one at-large representative serving on each committee.

Educational Public Forums

The following is a listing of upcoming community events that will address educational issues. All events are free and open to the public.

“Educating McLean County”

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| Wed., January 28 | <i>“Did we miss the bus with No Child Left Behind?”</i>
Presenter: Vicki Freeman |
| Wed., February 4 | <i>“School Funding 101”</i>
Presenter: Roger Kilpatrick |

Both forums will be held at the Bloomington Police Dept. (Osborne Rm.), 305 South East Street, from 12:00-1:00 p.m. (Bring a brown bag lunch.)

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CAC Meeting Dates and Places ~ 2003-2004

- *Information Team Leader Training ~ 9/25/03 ~ 7:00-8:30 p.m. - Unit 5 District Office*
- *Information Team Meetings ~ 10/1-30/03 ~ 7:00-9:00 p.m. - Each Unit 5 Attendance Center*
- *Turning Point Report Synthesis-11/5/03 ~ 7:00-9:00 p.m. ~ Field Elementary School*
- *CAC General Membership Meeting ~ 11/13/03 ~ 7:00-9:00 p.m. ~ NCHS*
- *CAC General Membership Meeting ~ 1/21/04 ~ 7:00-9:00 p.m. ~ Parkside Elementary School*
- *CAC General Membership Meeting ~ 2/18/04 ~ 7:00-9:00 p.m. ~ Prairieland Elementary School*
- *CAC General Membership Meeting ~ 4/21/04 ~ 7:00-9:00 p.m. ~ Colene Hoose Elementary School*

CAC Meeting Minutes of November 13, 2003

The Citizens Advisory Council (CAC) met on Thursday, November 13, 2003 at 7:00 p.m. at Normal Community High School for a general membership meeting. CAC President, Julia Turner, opened the meeting and introduced Unit 5 administration, board of education members, and Normal Community High School staff.

CAC Vice President, Meta Mickens-Baker, gave an overview of the CAC Turning Point 2004 Report that was submitted to the Educational Task Force earlier in the month.

Vicki Freeman, assistant superintendent of elementary education, and Bruce Boswell, executive director of secondary education, gave a presentation on interpreting school report cards.

A question and answer session with school board members was led by CAC Secretary, Catherine Bean.

President Turner closed the meeting.

Catherine Bean, CAC Secretary

CAC Meeting Attendance ~ November 13, 2003

<i>At Large:</i> Kelly Bertram, Ron Brown, Jennifer Lowrance, Frank Thompson; Absent: Grethe Armstrong, Bill Poland, Sandra Rodgers	<i>NCWHS:</i> Patricia Sullivan, Jamie Zwaga; Absent: Margarita Alvarez
<i>Brigham:</i> Catherine Bean, Gerald Hendricks, Jodi Sherman	<i>N.Point:</i> Cranston Sparks, James Splittstoesser, Julia Turner
<i>Carlock:</i> Veronica Inselmann, Amy Koranek; Absent: Pam Pozzie	<i>Oakdale:</i> Linda Harris, Richard Ringer, Brent Salm
<i>CJHS:</i> Judith Sevel; Absent: Andrea Bankord, Paul Gleason	<i>Parkside:</i> Karen Crews, Linda Manganaro; Absent: Lisa Swartz
<i>Fairview:</i> Tammy Anderson, James Shaw (Principal); Absent: Michael Buchanon, Stephanie Wollenberg	<i>P.Ridge:</i> Absent: Chad Lueck, Bill Mullins, Toni Wudtke
<i>Field:</i> Kim Casali, Tony Ferrara, Jill Lorenz	<i>P.Land:</i> Absent: Kelli Appel, Rhonda Coyle, Susan Tod
<i>F.Creek:</i> John Puzauskas; Absent: Betsy Goebel, Pam Womack	<i>P.JHS:</i> Robin Brown, Julie Ohler, Ralph Shallenberger
<i>Glenn:</i> Meta Mickens-Baker; Absent: Patrick Dullard, Cheryl Springwood	<i>S.Creek:</i> Tom Gerike, Laura Knoblauch; Absent: Herb Reichelt
<i>Grove:</i> Ky Ajayi, Mike Link; Absent: Ron Davis	<i>Towanda:</i> Lynn Barker, Tammy Fahling, Carla Vandongen
<i>Hoose:</i> Kim Cotner, Beth Sennett; Absent: Julie Cowden	<i>District Office:</i> Dan Steska, Vicki Freeman, Bruce Boswell, Meghan Leiseberg
<i>Hudson:</i> Eric Cash, Don Gibson; Absent: Ellyce Wolfe	<i>Board of Education:</i> Gail Ann Briggs, Scott Lay, Rick Percy, Steve Whittington
<i>KJHS:</i> Marie Bobrosky, Sally Pyne, Karen Zook	
<i>NCHS:</i> David Cobb, Jamal Nassar, James Pearson	

Public Meeting on Proposed Financial Plan

- The Unit 5 Board of Education will hold a public meeting on its proposed financial plan for 2004-2005 on Thursday, January 22, 2004, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Normal Community High School in the Auditorium.