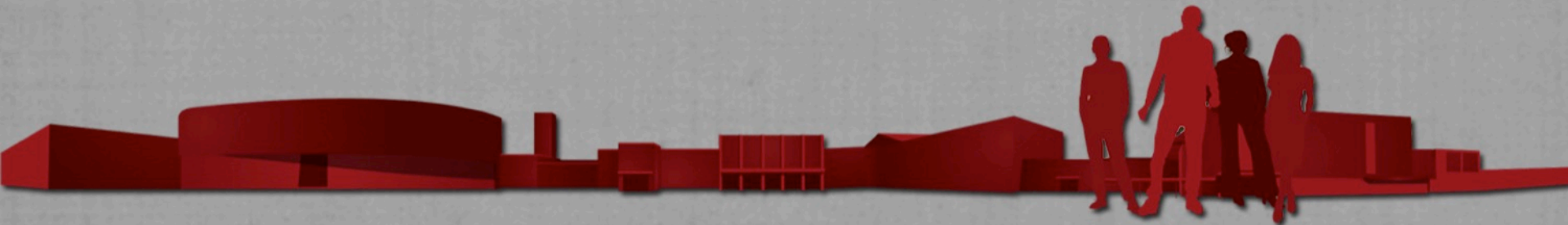


BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING

November 9, 2016

SERVING ALL OR PORTIONS OF THE FOLLOWING COMMUNITIES:

BLUE ISLAND * BURNHAM * CALUMET CITY * DIXMOOR * DOLTON * EAST HAZEL CREST *
HARVEY * HAZEL CREST * LANSING * MARKHAM * PHOENIX * POSEN * RIVERDALE * SOUTH
HOLLAND * THORNTON



Open Session

Roll Call

Pledge of Allegiance



Committee of the Whole

- *Report from Curriculum Committee*
- *Report from Finance Committee*
- *Report from Policy Committee*
- *Report from Discipline Committee*
- *Report from Facilities Committee*

Consent Agenda

- *Approval of District 205 Bills dated: October 13 through November 9, 2016*
- ***Personnel:** Approval of Resignations, Leave of Absence, New Hires and Terminations dated November 9, 2016*

Public Participation

We now open the Public Participation section of our agenda. At this time, members of the community are invited to address the Board. We ask that you state your name and town, limit your total time to two minutes, and talk only about items on the current Board Agenda.

In addition, if your comments are of a critical nature about specific people, the Board requests that you present your comments during the personnel portion of the “executive session.”

Your name will not be called if you do not sign in and list a topic or the topic is not on the current Board agenda or if public participation has begun.

Freedom Of Information Act

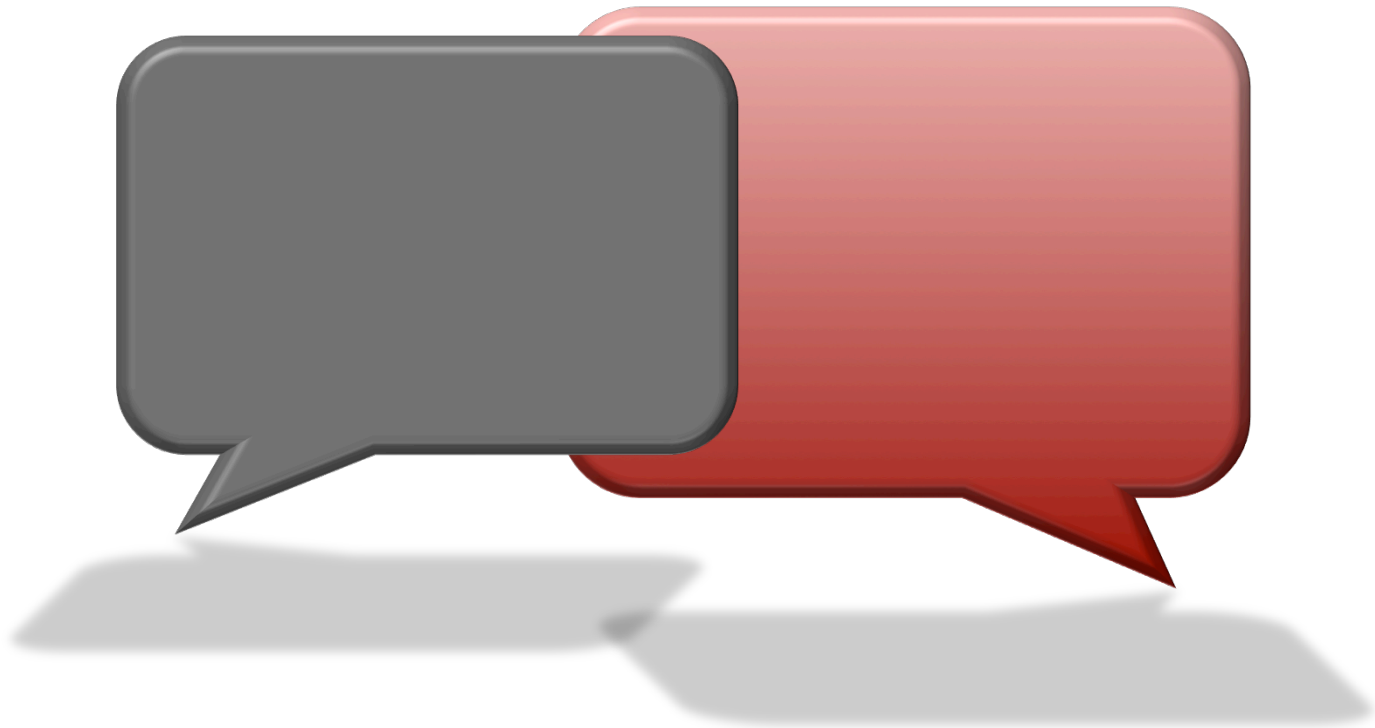
- *Dr. Doss*

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Communications

- *Mr. Arrington*



Communications

*While breast cancer rates have been stable overall in recent years, they have increased slightly in African American women. In order to get the message out about early detection, Thornton Township sponsored a “**Get Your Pink On**” Breast Cancer awareness event attended by more than 500 people. Using the backdrop of the final regular season football game between Thornwood and Thornridge high schools, the township organized interactive photo shoots, giveaways and motivational signs about breast cancer awareness.*



Communications

*On Saturday, October 29th the **TR BAND** participated with Operation Christmas Child, a ministry of Samaritans Purse Organization. TR Band families donated and filled 50 boxes of life essential items and Christmas Cheer to children in some of the most destitute areas around the world.*

Y.L. Douglas said, "It was a humbling and proud moment to see the student willingness and excitement to offer their time away from music to create a smile for less fortunate children. I'm so proud of our students and parents for their energy and efforts."

We R TR!



Communications

*The following **TR athletes** were recognized for SWSC All Conference*

Brandon Green - Football

Josiah Stevens - Football

Darael Dugar - Football

Devon Gordon - Football

Jarad Thornton - Football

Alexis Ivy – Volleyball



*The Thornridge **Boys Cross Country** team had a student, Jazare Jones, qualify for the IHSA state cross country meet. This was the first time since 2002 that TR had a student-athlete qualify for the state cross country meet.*

Communications

The following Falcon Band Members were selected into the 2016 ILMEA (Illinois Music Educators Association) District 1 Bands.

This is the result of a rigorous audition process of 2200 students from approximately 53 high schools in and around the Chicagoland area.

Concert Band

Ricardo Heard Alto Clarinet

Destin Miller Tenor Saxophone

Jazz Band

Tavier Robinson Bass Gutiar

Obed Ifebueme Guitar

Destin Miller Tenor Saxophone



Communications

This past weekend the Wildcat Novice Speech Team finished 2nd out of 16 schools. The team had 3 tournament champions including Malachi Wright in Original Comedy and Double Champion Zion Hurndon in Dramatic interpretation and Prose. The Varsity team also had an outstanding beginning to the season, award winners were:

3rd. place – Desire Parker in Dramatic Interpretation

2nd place – Ira McDowell in Original Comedy and Amari Henry and Deja Cook in Dramatic Duet Acting

Tournament Champions were Kiara Gandy in Poetry; Ira Wright and Ira McDowell in Humorous Duet Acting

Communications

*Congratulations to the **Wildcat Olympic Basketball team** who kicked off the basketball season with two wins in the Summit against Argo HS on October 26th.*

Wildcats 76 Argo White 36

Lightening Cats 39 Argo Maroon 19

Coaches Cobbs, Henderson and Shipbaugh



Communications

Thornton & the United States Hispanic Leadership Institute held a mock election on November 7th for Wildcat students.



Communications

Football:

- *For the first time in 15 years, our football team advanced to the playoffs in IHSA Class 7A*
- *Kamren Jones, Stevie Rufus, Kevin Harris, Jamar Howard, and Khanden Howse were all members of the 2016 SWSC All-Conference Team for Football*

Volleyball:

- *Thornwood congratulates Shay Taiwo and Kameesha Smith on being selected to the 2016 All-Conference Team for Volleyball*

Cross-country:

- *Thornwood congratulates Zaria Pittman on advancing to the IHSA Class 3A Girls Cross-Country Sectional in Edwardsville, Illinois*

Girls Swimming:

- *Thornwood congratulates Aryanna Shaffer and Ericka Ramsey on being selected to the 2016 All-Conference Team for Girls Swimming*
- *Good luck in Class 3A Sectionals Saturday November 12, 2016*

College Signings:

- *Thornwood congratulates Taylor Irons on receive an athletic scholarship for girls basketball to Kirkwood Community College in Cedar Rapids, Iowa*
- *Thornwood congratulates Shay Taiwo on receiving a NCAA Division 1 Athletic Scholarship to Ole Miss in Oxford, Mississippi for girls track and field*

Communications

*Congratulations to the **Thornwood Special Olympics blue basketball team** who took 1st place on November 5th at the Homewood Flossmoor Invitational for the third year in a row!!!! Our athletes played amazing and even received several compliments on their sportsmanship. The **Special Olympics cheerleaders** also participated by cheering on their team. Congratulations to coaches Jen Kilian, Billy Bunde, Julie McGuire, Kendra Walker, Michelle Curatolo and Tiffany (Echo Sign Language Interpreter). Go T-Birds!*



Communications

*Congratulations to our **Special Olympics flag football team**. Our Thunderbirds came out on top taking 1st place at the state tournament. The thunderbirds were undefeated for the season and had a great year! Congratulations coaches Lisa Zuccolo and Denard Eaves and our fabulous T-bird athletes!*

State Games Scores:

Defeated JC Jets 20-0

Defeated PTOEC 18-0

Defeated Lightening Bugs 32 – 6

Defeated Lightening Bugs 24-6



Athletes:

Jamiah Shepard

Diamond Stallworth

Samuel Moore

Michael Conner

Jonathon Tyson

Miguel Castillo

Jermaine Radcliffe

Kendahl Givens

Isaac Carter

Communications

*Congratulations to our **Special Olympics** bowlers who competed in the Regional Bowling Tournament on Sunday, October 16th – Maciah Scott – Gold, Marcy Mayes – Silver and Antonio Carr – 4th place. This is the first time ever that TW has a bowler going to the state games! Congratulations to coaches Missy Fekete and Michelle Liberio. Great job T-Birds!!!*



Communications

Michael Blair, TW Alum and Former Staff Member has been invited to the 2018 Winter Olympics in South Korea to compete on Jamaica's Bobsled Team.

Blair has started a GoFundMe page (www.gofundme.com/blairolympicbound) and has recruited some dedicated friends and colleagues to help promote Team Blair.



Communications

College & Careers

Students from District 205 continue to take steps ensuring the college and career readiness. Freshmen and Sophomores recently took a trip to Purdue-Calumet College and Juniors and Seniors took a college trip with the juniors and seniors.



Communications

College & Careers

District 205 juniors and seniors attended the National College Fair in Champaign-Urbana, IL.



Communications

District 205 Engineering Students College Visit

Students from all three district 205 engineering programs attended a college and scholarship events sponsored by Northern Illinois University's school of engineering. Over 40 students filled out applications to NIU and we look forward to students attending in the Fall. District 205 graduate and NIY engineering student, Mr. Andrew Lawrence was one of the presenters who electrified and inspired students from District 205, as well as students from Proviso East, Proviso West, along with students from River Forest Oak Park High School.



Communications

- Tuesday, November 22, 2016 the students of the PEACE Center will be visiting the CSU Campus and taking a college tour with campus representatives, visiting the ROTC offices to meet with Captain Black and his team and then dining in the campus cafeteria for lunch.
- Outlook students will be starting their dual credit classes within the next few weeks. Outlook students will have the opportunity to take CSU classes in the following areas/subjects:

- *Medical Sciences/Nursing/OT*
- *STEM*
- *Art*
- *Game Design*
- *Business*
- *Theatre*
- *Print Shop*
- *Spoken Word*
- *Life Guarding/First Aid*



Unfinished Business

New Business

- *Recognition of Board Members -
Dr. Swopes*

New Business

- *Faculty Association -
Dwayne Bearden, President & Gerald Doughty, Executive Director*

New Business

- *Presentation of 2016 Tentative Tax Levy –
Mr. Horton*

Thorton Township High School District 205

Presentation of Tentative Levy
November 2016



Timetable for Tax Levy Adoption

➤ November 9, 2016

Presentation of Estimated Aggregate Tax Levy

➤ December 14, 2016

At the regular board meeting, adopt the 2016 Tax Levy, including all appropriate resolutions. **Note since levy request is less than 5% higher than prior year extension, the District is not required to hold a hearing.**

➤ December 23, 2016

File necessary documents with the County Clerk on or before this date

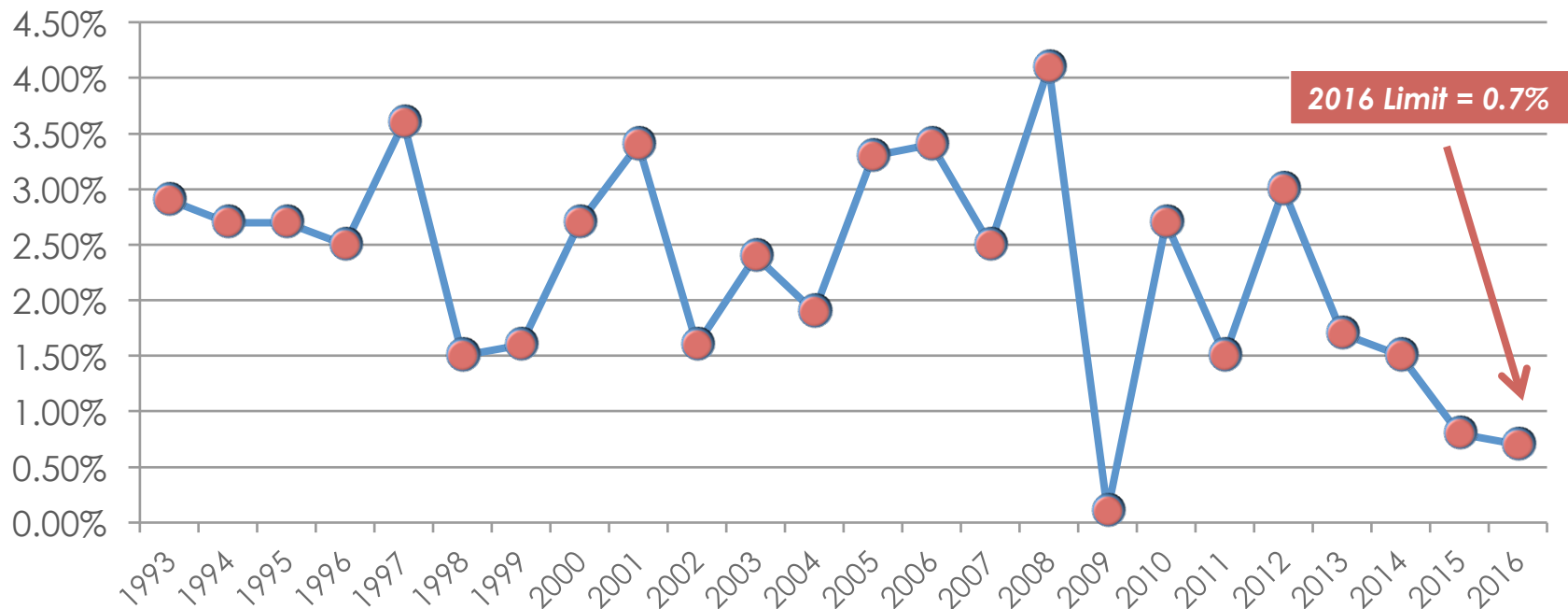
Breakdown of Levy Request

Fund Description	Levy Amount
IMRF Fund	1,300,000
Social Security Fund	1,300,000
Liability Insurance Fund	2,500,000
Transportation Fund	15,200,000
Education Fund	37,500,000
Building Fund	5,900,000
Working Cash Fund	537,000
Life Safety Fund	1,074,000
Special Education Fund	4,296,000
Leasing Fund	<u>1,075,000</u>
Total Levy	70,682,000

2016 Maximum Tax Increase by Law: 0.7%*

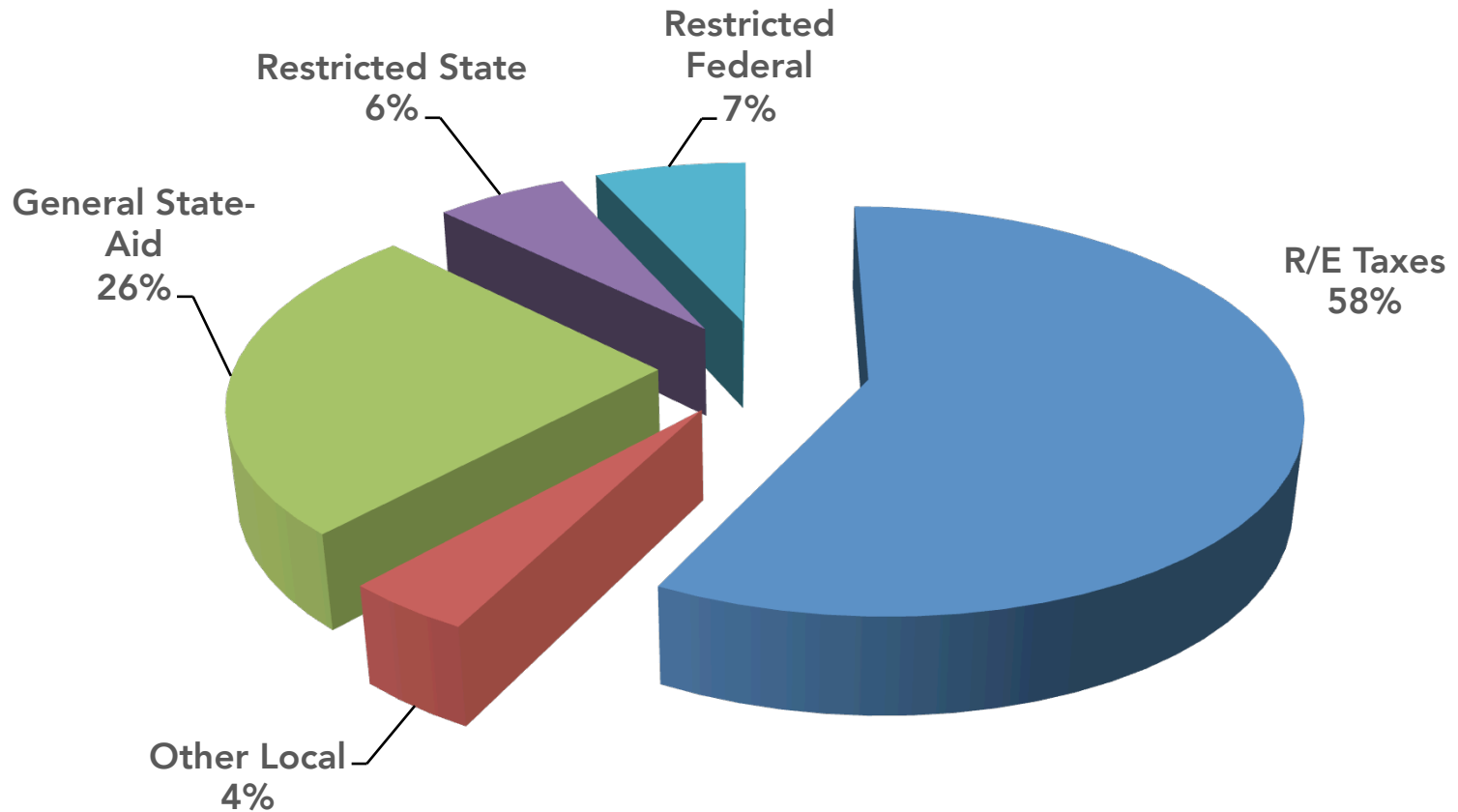
School Districts in Tax-Capped Counties Limited by Rate of Inflation

History of CPI's Used for Tax Cap Calculations



* This percentage represents District-wide maximum increase and average increase to taxpayers. Individual tax bills may increase above or below this figure based on changes to the equalized assessed values to their property. District can exceed 0.7% increase only with new property growth.

Breakdown of Budgeted Revenues (FY 2017)



Estimated Impact to District

(Versus Prior Year)

- It is estimated that the tax extension for non- bond and interest funds will increase approximately \$900,000.
- It is estimated that the tax extension for the bond fund will be unchanged.
- Therefore, the total tax increase is estimated to be \$900,000 (approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ would come from estimated new property in District).

Estimated Impact to Taxpayers

(Assuming \$100,000 MV Home)

- The annual increase due to non-bond and interest levy is approximately \$10 versus the previous tax year.
- The change in the bond and interest fund levy is approximately \$0 versus the previous tax year.
- Therefore, the total annual increase is estimated to be \$10 versus the previous tax year.

Tax Levy Presentation

Questions?

New Business

- *Recommended Approval of Out-of-Country Field Trip –
Mr. Ratliff (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval to Appoint Annette Whittington as Thornton Township High School Dist. 205 Delegate to the IASB Delegate Assembly for the Joint Annual Conference 2016—*

Dr. Swopes (Approval Needed)

New Business

- *Recommended Approval of John Deere Tractors—
Mr. Garrett (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval to Go Out to Bid for Roofing Repairs—
Mr. Garrett (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval to Go Out to Bid for Bleacher Replacement—
Mr. Garrett (Approval Needed)*

New Business

- *Recommended Approval to Go Out to Bid for Tuck Pointing—
Mr. Garrett (Approval Needed)*

Superintendent's Report

Executive Session

- *Closed session pursuant to Section 2(c) of the Open Meetings Act to consider:*
 - *“The appointment, employment, compensation, discipline, performance, or dismissal of specific employees of the public body or legal counsel for the public body, including hearing testimony on a complaint lodged against an employee of the public body or against legal counsel for the public body to determine its validity.”*
 - *Student discipline*
 - *Collective negotiating matters, and*
 - *Litigation, when an action against, affecting or on behalf of the particular public body has been filed and is pending before a court or administrative tribunal, or when the public body finds that an action is probable or imminent.*

Reconvene Open Session

Action Items Following **Executive Session**

- ❖ *Student Discipline*
- ❖ *Action Regarding Employment Contract Step Increase*
- ❖ *Authorization of Board's written decision concerning Faculty Association Grievance #091616*

Adjournment

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, December 14, 2016

6:30pm

Thornridge High School