

Approve Preschool Program Changes for FY2013-2014

The Board presented the Preschool Program changes in four specific motions and discussed and voted on them as presented below:

MOTION A-

1. Tuition will be increased for both 3 and 5 day program options in FY14 by \$300 from \$1638 to \$1938 and \$2115 to \$2415 respectively (to be reviewed and approved annually).
2. Those students identified with at-risk factors only will pay tuition based on a sliding scale as adopted from the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE) Early Intervention (0-3 y.o.) program (to be reviewed and approved annually).
3. Maintain the three sections that are currently in place (to be reviewed and approved annually).
4. Maintain the 3 day and 5 day options (to be reviewed and approved annually).

MOTION: Deanna Mustafa moved and Tom Tipton seconded the motion to approve The Preschool Program Changes - Motion A as presented. A roll call vote was taken.

***Ayes- Deanna Mustafa, Susan Gillespie, Dave Hempe, Tom Tipton, Donna Bartlett, Annie Federici Dragosh
Absent- Bob Brown
Nays-None***

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION B-

Tuition only students must be 3 years old by September 1st of the year they are entering and will not be permitted to start mid-year unless they are 4 or older.

MOTION: Donna Bartlett moved and Deanna Mustafa seconded the motion to approve The Preschool Program Changes - Motion B as presented. A roll call vote was taken.

***Ayes- Annie Federici Dragosh, Donna Bartlett, Dave Hempe, Deanna Mustafa, Susan Gillespie
Absent- Bob Brown
Nays- Tom Tipton***

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION C -

Staff members (parents/guardians of preschoolers) who are non-residents will be allowed to enroll their children in the district preschool programs after in-district enrollment has occurred and pay the in-district tuition rate (to be approved annually).

The Board discussed the enrollment process and how it affects staff children who are re-enrolling in the program. The question about staff grandchildren was also discussed. Because this will be classified as an employee benefit and since a non-resident parent in this case is not an employee of the district, this benefit would not apply to them.

Dr. Kell will get clarification on implementing the procedures for returning staff children regarding if a spot can be saved for them.

MOTION: Donna Bartlett moved and Deanna Mustafa seconded the motion to approve The Preschool Program Changes - Motion C as presented. A roll call vote was taken.

Ayes- Susan Gillespie, Annie Federici Dragosh, Deanna Mustafa, Dave Hempe, Tom Tipton,

Donna Bartlett
Absent- Bob Brown
Nays-None

MOTION CARRIED

MOTION D-

Out of district enrollment will only be allowed if there are no in-district students on a waiting list and they will be charged at a higher rate (to be approved annually).

Options:

1. Half of per capita \$7310
2. Half of half of per capita \$3655
3. 20% over in district rate
4. \$600 over the FY13 tuition rate

It was decided to divide this motion into two motions, one to determine whether or not the District will accept out of district students, then a second to determine the out of district tuition.

MOTION D.1: Tom Tipton moved and Donna Bartlett seconded the motion to approve The Preschool Program Changes - accepting out of district enrollment. A roll call vote was taken.

Ayes- Dave Hempe
Absent- Bob Brown
Nays- Tom Tipton, Deanna Mustafa, Annie Federici Dragosh, Susan Gillespie, Donna Bartlett

MOTION FAILED

The Board discussed their thoughts on accepting out-of-district students. Because the District attorney advised against it, most members felt strongly that it would not be good to continue this practice.

The second part of the original proposed motion to determine tuition for out of district students (see below) was not applicable as the vote to accept out of district enrollment (Motion D.1) failed.

Options:

5. Half of per capita \$7310
6. Half of half of per capita \$3655
7. 20% over in district rate
8. \$600 over the FY13 tuition rate