

District 13 Colleagues,

Following is a PDF copy of the 17-page 2023 Resolutions Committee Report.



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Key items of interest within the report include:

1. New Resolutions (Pages 10-13) - To be voted on during the IASB Delegate Assembly
2. Do Not Present Resolutions (Page 14) - FYI Only
3. Advocacy Core Values (Page 8) - FYI Only

Following is a summary review I created listing the pertinent information related to the Resolutions to be voted on during the 2023 IASB Delegate Assembly. After carefully reviewing all information, I recommend Bloomingdale Elementary School District 13 vote in accordance with the Resolution Committee's recommendations.

Resolutions to be presented at the IASB Delegate Assembly

A. New Resolutions = 5: Adopt = 2; Do Not Adopt = 3

1. Local-State-Federal Relations: Industrial Construction (Do Not Adopt)
 - a. Description: Prohibit construction of industrial facilities near schools.
 - b. Rationale for Do Not Adopt: Industrial construction does not impact most IASB members. Some small communities with limited open space depend on income from industrial facilities. Decisions should remain under local control.
2. Board-Employee Relations: School Resource Officer Funding (Do Adopt)
 - a. Description: Request legislation to provide funding for school resource officers.
 - b. Rationale for Do Adopt: School resource officers help protect the safety of children and more funding is required to help offset costs.
3. Board-Employee Relations: Bus Driver Regulations (Do Adopt)
 - a. Description: Support changes to federal and state school transportation regulations to pre-February 2023 levels. Allow local training and testing. Increase the state's transportation reimbursement to 100%.
 - b. Rationale for Do Adopt: Bus driver shortage is affecting most school districts. Easing requirements and training for bus drivers will help reduce the shortage impacting school districts.
4. Board-Employee Relations: Employment History Review (Do Not Adopt)
 - a. Description: Consider using the IL-DCFS Child Abuse and Neglect Tracking System (CANTS) to fulfill the Employment History Review aspect of Faith's Law.
 - b. Rationale for Do Not Adopt: Assistance in implementing Faith's Law is important, however CANTS is not the appropriate system to use.
5. Financing Public Education-Local: Alternative Safe School Funding (Do Not Adopt)
 - a. Description: Request additional funding for regional alternative safe schools

- b. Rationale for Do Not Adopt: Position Statement 2.33 already states advocating use of Evidence-Based Funding (EBF) for funding alternative schools.

Resolutions not to be presented at the IASB Delegate Assembly

A. New Resolutions = 4: Do Not Present = 4

1. Delegate Assembly Mail in Voting (Do Not Present)
 - a. Description: Allow in person and mail in voting.
 - b. Rationale for Do Not Present: Concern with delegates who do not attend in person would not hear nor participate in floor discussions. Concern with timelines of receiving mail in votes. Concern with determination of a quorum for voting.
2. Schools as Polling Place Choice (Do Not Present)
 - a. Description: Allow districts to refuse use of their schools as polling places.
 - b. Rationale for Do Not Present: Position Statement 7.08 already addresses.
3. Fully Fund Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) (Do Not Present)
 - a. Description: Increase federal funding for Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).
 - b. Rationale for Do Not Present: Position Statement 2.04 already addresses.
4. Suicide Prevention Education (Do Not Present)
 - a. Description: Adoption of legislation to encourage and fund suicide prevention education.
 - b. Rationale for Do Not Present: Agree that suicide prevention education is important, however advocating for gun storage should not be included in the resolution.

Respectfully submitted,

Terry