

Geneva Community Unit School District 304

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To:

Kent Mutchler, Superintendent

CC:

Board of Education

From:

Dean Romano, Assistant Superintendent-Business Services

Date:

November 12, 2018

Re:

PUBLIC HEARING, ISBE WAIVER APPLICATION RENEWAL:

DRIVER EDUCATION FEE

The Illinois State Board of Education and the State Legislature have a program whereby school districts may apply for a waiver or modification of State Board rules and/or School Code mandates. A **public hearing** is one of the requirements of the application process.

In accordance with Section 2.3.25g of the School Code [105 ILCS 5/2-3.25g], an Application to seek a Waiver or Modification of State Board Rules and/or School Code Mandates must be filed.

The required notices of the public hearing have been made as required (publish a Public Notice on District 304's website at least 14 days in advance of the hearing; publish Public Notice in newspaper at least 7 days in advance of the hearing; provide written notice to applicant's exclusive bargaining agent affected by the request, as well as send notices to state legislators representing the applicant's area.)

The waiver application renewal would provide for an additional five year approval to change the amount of the driver education fee charged by District 304 to students who participate in the driver education course from "not to exceed \$50/\$250" to "not to exceed \$500", which is more reflective of the actual cost to provide the instruction. As required by School Code, students whose families are unable to pay the fee shall have the fee waived by the District.

Please ask the Board of Education at (Public Hearing Section) of its regularly scheduled meeting on Monday, November 12, 2018 to approve the submittal of the ISBE Application for renewal of wavier or modification of State Board Rules and/or School Code Mandates regarding driver education fees, as presented.