

ATTACHMENT NO. XI- C

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Potential motion: Move to hire a Fifth Grade Elementary Teacher.

Recommended action: Approve the motion

It is recommended that the Board hire an additional fifth grade teacher for the 2016-17 school year. Currently our class sizes are exceeding the current policy of 29 for each class. By adding one additional teacher, it would bring our class size numbers to about 26 per class. It would also allow the district to bring Social Studies back beginning this school year. New Social Studies standards have been adopted by the State of Illinois and are expected to be implemented for the 2017-18 school year.

<b>Social Studies Teacher</b>	
Pros	Cons
Implement State SS Standards	Timing of candidates
Students Get SS	Redo 16-17 5th grade schedule
Long term fix	Lose Sped Planning time
Class Sizes drop from 29-35 to 24-29	
Can adhere to 70-30 Rule	
Vertically Aligned to 7-12 Social Studies	
Specialized Teacher	

*Cost: \$50,000-\$55,000*

<b>Self-Contained Class</b>	
Pros	Cons
Class sizes will drop	Breaks UE model
Some students wont need to adjust with moving classes	Students don't rotate teachers
	Student negative perception
	Parent concerns about placement
	Finding a teacher to teach all subjects where nobody else is
	Timing of Candidates

*Cost: \$50,000-\$55,000*

<b>Para- Professional</b>	
Pros	Cons
Cost Effective	Limited Candidate Pool
Another adult in the room to provide academic support	Non-certified staff member providing academic support
	Still have very large class sizes

*Cost: \$24,000 - \$26,000*

# UE Class Sizes- August 22

<b>Ryan Kelley</b>			<b>Julia Cheek</b>	
Science	32		Science	27
Science	35		Science	28
Science	33		Science	28
Science	32		Science	33
Social Studies	27		Social Studies	23
<b>Sandy Moon</b>			<b>Tyler Lovgren</b>	
Math	32		Language Arts	27
Math	33		Language Arts	30
Math	27		Social Studies	23
Math	32			
Social Studies	28		<b>Tammy O'Toole</b>	
			Language Arts	29
<b>Matt Protz</b>			Language Arts	26
Language Arts	31		Social Studies	24
Language Arts	32			
Social Studies	28		<b>Kellie Townsend</b>	
			Math	28
<b>Heidi Surratt</b>			Math	27
Language Arts	29		Math	29
Language Arts	32		Math	28
Social Studies	28		Social Studies	22