APS Code: GBI

AURORA PUBLIC SCHOOLS Adopted May 1981 Revised February 1992 Revised November 2007 Reviewed February 2015

STAFF PARTICIPATION IN POLITICAL ACTIVITIES

The Aurora Public Schools shall not make any contribution or contribution-in-kind in campaigns involving the nomination, retention or election of any person to any public office.

In addition, the District shall not make any contribution or contribution-in-kind to urge voters to vote in favor of or against any issue before the electorate. Where an employee has not solicited the question, responding to a question about a ballot measure or candidate is not considered to be a contribution or contribution-in-kind.

However, this shall not prohibit any Board member from spending \$50 or less of District funds in the form of letters, telephone calls or other activities incidental to making the member available to the press or the public for the purpose of responding to questions about any such issue or to express the member's opinion on any such issue.

The District shall be allowed to expend District funds and resources to dispense a factual summary, which shall include arguments both for and against the proposal, on any issue of official concern before the electorate in the District. Such summary shall not contain a conclusion or opinion in favor of or against any particular issue.

(A "matter of official concern" shall have the meaning ascribed by law, which generally includes matters which are before the electorate and which come before the Board for official action at some time.) The Board shall also be allowed to pass a resolution taking a position of advocacy on any issue before the electorate.

Board members and employees shall be free to expend personal funds, make personal contributionsin-kind and use personal time to urge voters to vote for or against any candidate or issue before the electorate.

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