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Distressed Unit Appeal Board

Gary Community School Corporation

May 15, 2017



Distressed Unit Appeal Board (DUAB)

- Voting Members
 - Micah Vincent, Chair – Director, Office of Management and Budget
 - Courtney Schaafsma – Commissioner, Department of Local Government Finance
 - Paul Joyce – State Examiner, State Board of Accounts
 - Kent Hatcher – Superintendent of Public Instruction Designee
 - Governor's Appointee



Distressed Unit Appeal Board (DUAB)

- Advisory Non-Voting Members
 - Representative Milo Smith – Speaker of the House of Representatives Appointee
 - Senate President Pro Tempore Appointee
 - Appointee of the Minority Leader
 - Senate Minority Leader in Odd-Numbered Years
 - House of Representatives Minority Leader in Even-Numbered Years



Senate Enrolled Act 567



Senate Enrolled Act 567

- Signed by Governor Holcomb on April 28, 2017.
- Adds Indiana Code 6-1.1-20.3-6.8.
 - Specific to Gary Community School Corporation (GCSC).
 - Effective upon passage.
- Gary Community School Corporation designated as a distressed political subdivision.



Emergency Manager

- DUAB shall appoint an emergency manager for GCSC.
- DUAB shall interview at least 1 resident of Gary as a candidate for the position.
- The emergency manager has full responsibility and authority related to financial and academic matters of GCSC.



Emergency Manager

- The emergency manager shall develop a written financial plan for GCSC to achieve financial stability and to pay all current and future obligations in a timely manner.
- The emergency manager shall prepare other plans as specified in statute, including plans for transportation and capital needs.
- The emergency manager shall report monthly to DUAB on actions taken and progress made.



Fiscal Management Board

- The fiscal management board is established.
 - 1 member appointed by the GCSC school board.
 - 1 member appointed by the Mayor of Gary.
 - 1 member appointed by the Superintendent of Public Instruction.
 - Must have urban school experience.
 - 1 member appointed by the State Board of Education.
 - Must have urban school experience.



Fiscal Management Board

- The fiscal management board shall make recommendations to the emergency manager and advise the emergency manager as requested.
- The fiscal management board shall serve as a liaison to DUAB, the Mayor, and the Department of Education to assist with the transition of powers to the emergency manager and to regularly provide information to parents, students, employees and the public on the transition.



Chief Financial Officer (CFO)

- The emergency manager shall employ a CFO for GCSC, who shall be an employee of GCSC.
- The CFO reports to the emergency manager and assists in carrying out the day-to-day operations of GCSC.
- The emergency manager shall interview at least 1 resident of Gary for this position.

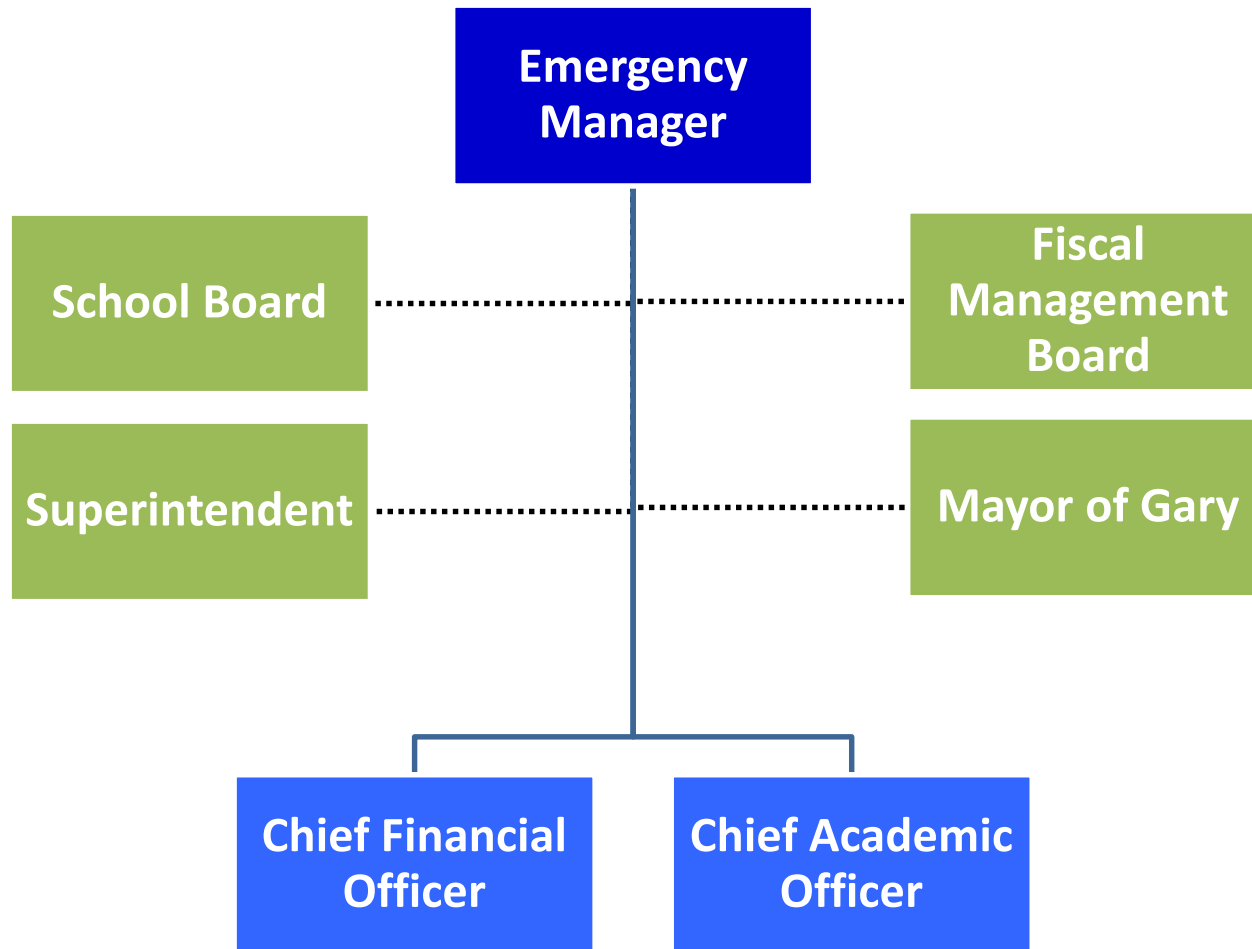


Chief Academic Officer (CAO)

- The emergency manager shall employ a CAO for GCSC, who shall be an employee of GCSC.
- The CAO reports to the emergency manager and assists in carrying out the academic matters of GCSC.
- The emergency manager shall interview at least 1 resident of Gary for this position.
- The CAO will develop an academic plan to improve academic performance of all students.



Organizational Chart





Next Steps



Request for Information

- DUAB issued a Request for Information (RFI) to solicit interested candidates for the role of emergency manager.
- Responses were due May 10.
 - Anticipated timeline:
 - By June 10 – Interview selected candidates .
 - By June 30 – Select emergency manager.



Specific DUAB Expectations

- The emergency manager must have extensive knowledge in:
 - School fiscal management, including debt management.
 - Academic programming and standards.
 - Employee relations.
 - Capital planning.
 - Indiana property taxation.
- The emergency manager will be present at GCSC on a near-continual basis.



Public Resources



DUAB Webpage

- <http://in.gov/dlgf/7175.htm>

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Top FAQs

1. Are local government units required to publish their budget notices in a newspaper?
2. How can I find information about all the local government units that are associated with my address?
3. How can I find information about all the local government units that are in my county?
4. How can I find out when my local government unit will hold their budget hearing?
5. How do I appeal the assessment of my home?



DUAB Webpage

- Notice of DUAB Meetings
- Agendas for DUAB Meetings
- Minutes from DUAB Meetings
- Monthly Report and Other Reports Submitted by Emergency Manager
- Other Information as Needed



DUAB Listserv

- Sign up for the DUAB Listserv for Gary Community School Corporation to get notification of future meetings and other important information delivered to your inbox.
- Sign up sheets here today.



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Department of Local Government Finance

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In 2012, the General Assembly passed House Enrolled Act 1192 amending the responsibilities of the Distressed Unit Appeals Board (DUAB). The DUAB will now receive petitions from both distressed political subdivisions and school corporations in need of relief.

DUAB Members:

- Micah Vincent, Chairman (OMB)
- Courtney Schaafsma (DLGF)
- Paul Joyce (SBOA)
- Kent Hatcher (DOE)
- Governor's Appointee (to be determined)

Advisory (Nonvoting) Members:

- Representative Milo Smith, Speaker of the House of Representatives Appointee
- Senate President Pro Tempore Appointee (to be determined)
- Senate Minority Leader Appointee (to be determined)

[DUAB Administrative Policies and Procedures](#)

Sign up to stay informed of DUAB information and updates regarding the following units:

- Gary Community School Corporation Listserv**
- [Muncie Community Schools Listserv](#)

For more information, please contact:

Aaron Bennett

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Plan for Tonight's Meeting



Prepared Comments

- Superintendent (10 min)
- School Board Members (15 min)
- Gary Teachers Union (10 min)
- Area legislators (15 min)
- Mayor of Gary (10 min)
- Public Comment



Public Comment

- Sign up if you would like to speak.
- You will be called in order of signing up.
- Each speaker gets one turn.
- At the start of your comments, provide your name, address and affiliation.
- Each speaker will have 2 minutes and will be asked to stop at end of 2 minutes.
- If others have already made the comments you planned to make, please just indicate your agreement with the previous speaker. Please do not restate comments that have already been made.



Public Comment

- Written comments may also be submitted to DUAB.
- Please no applause or audible response to comments.
- Please be respectful of others.