



# Action Line

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◦The "One-Time Off-Schedule" **payment** that was negotiated last year will be made available on **Nov. 21** (really the Nov. 23 paycheck), per Mr. Kment. He wanted to get it to the membership early for the "Pre-Christmas" sales that happen after Thanksgiving.

◦This information came from Kevin Tule at RHS. *The Federal Stafford Loan forgiveness Program for Teachers* provides student loan forgiveness for teachers who teach for 5 consecutive years in schools that serve low-income students. The amount of forgiveness is \$17,500.00 for Mathematics, Science, and Special Education Teachers, and \$5,000.00 for other teachers. Note that the school you teach at only has to qualify the first of the five consecutive years you are counting. A list of Roseville Community Schools is **attached** to this document as is information about the program. You can fully read up on the program at: <http://studentaid.ed.gov/repay-loans/forgiveness-cancellation/charts/teacher>

◦Check out [www.sharemylesson.com](http://www.sharemylesson.com) to access materials to help implement the Common Core State Standards. The AFT is partnering with TES to sponsor this site. It was created by teachers for teachers.

◦The **Evaluation Committee** met on Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, and began reviewing the evaluation. If you have any suggestions, please contact one of the following people: Beth Alfonsi, Marsha Boylan, Diane Brussow, Kathy Dworman, Bill Flaherty, Jessica Hansen, Paul Kaleto, Jacob Mowinski, Ruth Post, and Traci Torp. I want to thank everyone for their time and Diane & Jessica for typing the notes from the various groups. I'll be in touch to schedule our next meeting.

Looking ahead you need to know that showing student growth for the 2013-2014, year will be worth at least 25% of your evaluation. Growth for the 2014-2015, year has to be worth at least 40% of your evaluation. Growth for the 2015-2016, year has to be worth at least 50% of your evaluation, according to the Revised School Code Act 451 of 1976. For more information, please go to: [http://www.legislature.mi.gov/\(S\(wxbdqnbdp4lgmr45rre2fa55\)\)/mileg.aspx?page=GetObject&objectname=mcl-380-1249](http://www.legislature.mi.gov/(S(wxbdqnbdp4lgmr45rre2fa55))/mileg.aspx?page=GetObject&objectname=mcl-380-1249)

◦The **Healthcare Committee** should be meeting shortly. I'm waiting to get a couple of dates from Ms. Vasil and Dean Pitruzzello, President of A.F.S.M.E Local 732, so we can begin meeting with Lisa from "Red A". This team consists of Marsha Boylan, Eileen Furest, Jason Lacy, Scott Parsons, and Ruth Post. Thanks again for volunteering!

◦I wanted to thank the staffs at Huron Park, Patton, and Kment for allowing me to come into their classrooms to help out for an afternoon. I'm learning a lot! I'll send out an email to the staffs at Steenland and Kaiser shortly.

◦Election 2012 - Although Proposal 2 failed at the polls earlier this week, we did make some **gains**

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President Obama & Joe Biden were re-elected

Debbie Stabbenow was re-elected

Bridget McCormack was elected to the Supreme Court

We took back 5 seats in the House

Proposal 1 –The Emergency Manager Law was defeated

Proposal 5 – The Supermajority Tax Vote was defeated

I wanted to thank **everyone** that contributed their time either volunteering for the door-to-door canvassing and/or phone banks, along with those that made a PAC contribution to AFT Michigan!

Respectfully,

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