

BOE Meeting Highlights

Board of Education Meeting March 13, 2019

The Board of Education encourages the public to attend the meetings held on the second Wednesday of each month. There is an opportunity at the beginning of each meeting for input from the public. After that the Board conducts the School District's business, including the Superintendent's and Principals' Reports, position appointments, and issues to act upon.

Bond Report-Tim Seppanen

- They will be advertising for bids on Friday. There will be a prebid walk through on the 21st to answer any questions. They would like to have bids by April 9th including references.
- The architecture drawings will be in by Friday and will be at the schools.
- The schedule is still on track.
- On February 28th the steel bids were in so they could preorder and the steel would be in by June. They received 4 bids that were close to what was budgeted. They are cautiously optimistic they will be able to get everything done on the list if bids come in as expected like this.

Superintendent's Report-Tim Keteri

- The athletics account needed a little more from the general fund since volleyball hadn't been budgeted for before the Chassell co-op was dropped. Bussing is a little more with Lamer's but it's paying for a good service. It does save money on athletic runs.
- They've had the roof shoveled 3 times by crews. It's been an extra cost but with all the collapses he's nervous and would rather spend the extra.
- There is the CCASB dinner coming up and the Board needs to choose a student, employee, and community member. The Board later chose LeeAnn Mantta, Morgan Raether, and John Schutz.
- With the new governor, there will be an increase in the education budget. Student aide will increase by almost \$200 probably.

Principal's Report-Kim Harris, South Range Elementary

- March is Reading Month and it's going along well. They will have Senator McBroom and Rep. Markkanen coming in to read on Celebration Day. The Book Fair is running now. They recently had snow day challenges where students sent in pictures of them reading. They received a lot of fun pictures. Reading Night will be next Monday. Mrs. Jaehnig, JHS English teacher, will be bringing high schoolers to read to elementary kids.
- The 4th-6th graders went to the Rosza Center for a field trip and said it was wonderful.
- Mrs. Schuett, science teacher, has been doing a lot of good work with the science fair.

- The 5th and 6th grade girls and boys basketball season has begun.
- This year they will not have a Hei Suomi student. There has been some miscommunication between Finlandia and their partner Finland school. Mrs. Lishinski, technology teacher, has been in contact with a past Hei Suomi student who is now a teacher in Finland and their classes have been corresponding.
- Friday will be an inservice with a presentation from the ISD about behavioral issues.
- April 5th is Kindergarten registration.

Principal's and Athletic Report-Steve Lishinski, Jeffers High School

- Mrs. Pera, math and science teacher, and Mr. Palosaari, science teacher, are presenting at the Next Generation Science Standards workshop.
- Mrs. Pera took 8th grade girls to Get WISE, Get Women In Science and Engineering.
- Mr. Palosaari presented at the annual Michigan Science Teacher Association Conference.
- Ms. Raether, English and German teacher, and Mrs. Jaehnig will be taking students to a presentation of *Beauty and the Beast* at NMU in April.
- Mrs. Sherman and Mrs. Jaehnig will be taking 9th graders to a TRIO/Upward Bound Career and College Fair.
- Mr. Aho attended a special education transition conference. He will also take students to an interviewing workshop.
- There will be a teacher inservice on March 15.
- He and Mr. Keteri completed the Horizon Leadership Academy program.
- The Senior class would like to do a pasty sale.
- Spring sports have their schedules in place. We will see how the seasons go with the snow. Still need a softball coach.
- Board Member Snell asked how many students make your school Class C. It is 194, Jeffers is at 180.

Action Items

- The Board discussed several action items.

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