Board Report November 22, 2019

The board of education met in regular session last night in the district offices.

Administrative Reports

The Teacher Minute featured Cedar Ridge Intermediate's Nerd Club. Sponsors Mr. Thompson, Mrs. Matzat and Mr. Schembri accompanied their students who shared experiences and activities as members of the club. Student council representatives provided a synopsis of building activities. Dr. Swofford presented the board with information on the following topics: an update on action taken by the DESE; district grants were received from the Skaggs Foundation for mental health services for students and the BHS Cents of Pride store; and Swofford and Dr. Brenner recapped highlights from the Tri-Lakes Educational Summit held November 8 and hosted by the district. Dr. Swofford publicly congratulated those participating in the November production of Peter and the Starcatcher; the AFJROTC students who volunteered at the Branson Senior Center; and the BHS cheerleaders who earned third place at the state Class 5A competition. Dr. Gray reported on the PK-6 Parent/Teacher Conferences. Mr. Butler provided an overview of the JH Parent/Teacher Conferences. Mr. Harris submitted a report on the HS Parent/Teacher Conferences. The ACT Report for the 2018-2019 school year was presented by Mr. Harris. The composite score for BHS was 21.7 with the state composite score coming in at 20.8. A review of the APR was presented by Dr. Dawson. Although no points or percentages were awarded this year, our benchmarks would allow the district to receive a ranking of 97%.

New Business

The board approved the following items: the annual Building School Improvement Plan for CRP as presented by Dr. Worley; the annual Building School Improvement Plan for CRE as submitted by Dr. Collins; the annual Building School Improvement Plan for BE as recommended by Dr. Hawkins; the annual Building School Improvement Plan for CRI as submitted by Dr. Gray; and an evaluation of the finance program as recommended by Dr. Swofford.

Closed Session

The board accepted resignations from the following: Valorie Cowsert, CRP kindergarten; Olivia Markes, JH SPED; Don Forrest, assistant superintendent (retirement effective end of school year); Ashlee King, bus driver; Alissia Thornton, CRP para; Taylor Pusateri, CRP custodian; and Billy Bynum, CRI cafeteria. The board considered and approved the following for employment: Dana Scott, CRP kindergarten; Eduvina Flores, CRE cafeteria; Courtney Owens, CRP para; Whitney Stacy, CRP para; Joel Telschow, CRP custodian; and Christian Plaster, p/t computer tech. The board reviewed the substitute list for November. Progress reports pertaining to teacher evaluations were reviewed with the board by building principals.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the board of education will be **Thursday**, **December 19** at **6:30 p.m.** in the district offices.