

Board Report

November 18, 2016

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

Administrative Reports

The Teacher Minute was presented by the Robotics First Lego League Team at Cedar Ridge Intermediate. The team members were accompanied by their sponsor, Cynthia Matzat, and provided a synopsis of their activities and competitions. Student council representatives from the Junior High and High School provided an overview of student activities. Dr. Swofford updated the board on the following topics: the 2016-2017 school calendar will be presented for review in December; Hollister and Buffalo will exit the COC as they have requested; *SchoolMessenger* has been deployed and will be used for school cancellations and building notifications; and he provided an overview of legislative issues. Swofford announced that Mr. Bronn was nominated for a 2016 Trailblazer Award in regards to personalized learning and that Mrs. Morey has been named president-elect of the state food service organization. Building principals reported on parent-teacher conference attendance. Mrs. Sheets presented APR results and announced that the district's finalized score is 91.6%. Mr. Arnette announced that the GOCAPS program could possibly have a medical strand for area students in Branson next school year. Talks are underway with Cox-Branson and the GOCAPS organizers.

New Business

The board approved the following: a renewal for property and casualty insurance as recommended by Dr. Forrest (bid awarded to WRMA); a renewal for workers compensation insurance as recommended by Dr. Forrest (bid awarded to MEM); the PK6 BSIP as presented by Dr. Gray; the JH BSIP as presented by Mr. Bronn; the HS BSIP as presented by Mr. Harris; and the annual finance program evaluation as presented by Dr. Swofford.

Closed session

The board accepted resignations from the following: Pam Roberts, HS science (retirement); Debbie Smith, HS speech/debate (retirement); Trisha Highfill, CRE para; Janette Hayes, CRP para; Gabina Dominguez-Davis, CRI cafeteria; and Sharon Edwards, CRP daycare. The board considered and approved the following for employment: Janene Dewey, CRE para; and Ruth Sullins, CRP para. The substitute list for November was approved. The board reviewed teacher progress reports with building administration. The board also reviewed administrative progress reports and conducted the superintendent's annual review.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the board of education is **Thursday, December 15 at 6:30 p.m.** in the district offices.