

# Board Report

## February 23, 2018

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

### Administrative Reports

The *Teacher Minute* was provided by staff from Cedar Ridge Primary and focused on the Motor Lab that is in use. Student council representatives provided an overview of activities in the Junior High and High School. Dr. Swofford presented information to the board on the following topics: the January student membership count is 4,785 (up from the January 2017 count of 4,749); the last day of school – to date – is May 21; legislative updates; an overview of the national superintendent’s conference held earlier this month; and Branson hosted a two-day workshop on the *Artisan Leader* led by Mike Rutherford (representatives from southwest Missouri schools were in attendance). Dr. Swofford announced *Good News* about the following: **CRE students** collected food for CAM through a recent drive; BI teachers **McQueen, Jenkins** and **Bradley** presented at the *Write to Learn* conference; dancers **Harris, Townsend** and **Arnette** helped raise over \$9,000 for Project Graduation; and two Junior High art students, **Maryjane Linn** and **Kaden Justus**, have been selected to have their artwork on display in Missouri’s capitol. Mr. Watson presented the annual transportation ridership report. Dr. Collins announced that Cedar Ridge Elementary students collected \$698.18 for the Leukemia/Lymphoma Society. Dr. Brenner provided information on the success of the district’s Twitter Chat held last week.

### New Business

The board approved the following: the ESOL/ELL, Title I, Homeless and Migrant Program Evaluation as submitted by Mrs. Sheets; the Gifted Program Evaluation as presented by Mr. Dean; the submission of a MEM Safety grant proposal as recommended by Mrs. Gordon; a change order for the activity fields as recommended by Dr. Forrest; and the annual Safety Program Evaluation as presented by Dr. Forrest.

### Closed Session

The board accepted resignations from the following: Marsha Forrest, HS Math (retirement); Sara Pardeck, CRE grade two (retirement); Mary Ivey, HS social studies (effective immediately); Karah Hazell, CRP para (end of school year); Teresa Lasseter, bus driver; Alex Sohl, HS custodian; and Noelle Gass, HS counseling secretary (effective May 31). The board considered and approved the following for employment: Sarah Loyd, HS counselor; Jessica Blackburn, HS art; Kailey Bridges, HS science and HS head volleyball coach; Greg Johnson, bus driver; William Fish, bus driver; Luke Soard, bus driver; Jose Fernando Valiente, bus driver; and Mike Faith, bus driver. The substitute list for February was approved. The board also approved the superintendent’s recommendation for the renewal of administrative appointments for the 2018-2019 school year.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the board of education is **Thursday, March 22 at 6:30 p.m.** in the district offices.