Board Report
April 13, 2018

The board of education met in regular session last night in the district offices. The presentation of the April 3 election results was given by Kim Bryant, board secretary. Dan Boone and Cole Currier were elected to serve three-year terms on the board and issued the oath of office by Bryant. The board reorganized and the following officers were elected: Roger Frieze, president; Jeff Smethers, vice president; Kim Bryant, secretary; and Don Forrest, treasurer.

A plaque was presented, posthumously, to honor board member Debbie Keller and her service to the district. Bob Keller was on hand to receive the plaque. A plaque was presented to Peter Marcellus for 18 years of service to the board of education and the school district. It was announced that applications will be accepted to fill the current vacancy on the board of education. Applications will be accepted in the district office through April 27.

Administrative Reports
Dr. Swofford provided the following information to the board: the annual Missouri Association of School Administrators meeting was held last week with Swofford, Arnette and Forrest in attendance; updates on Missouri legislative issues; a recap of the TIF meeting held April 5 for community input; a ribbon cutting ceremony was held to officially open the new activity fields; Lindsey Hamilton’s class raised $290 for cancer research; CRE second graders are organizing a stuffed toy drive for incoming kindergarten students; and the High School chapter of AFJROTC assisted with a 5K event at Kirbyville School District. Mr. Harris announced that the BHS student council earned the Gold Council Award for activities and service. Mrs. Sheets provided an assessment update.

New Business
The board approved the following: a mowing contract with Green Side Up as recommended by Mr. Cutbirth; a renewal of health insurance with Cox Health (increase for next year is 3.53%) as recommended by Dr. Forrest; a renewal for dental insurance (0% increase) as recommended by Dr. Forrest; a renewal for life insurance (0% increase) as recommended by Dr. Forrest; the 2018 summer school application as submitted by Dr. Worley; the library program evaluation as submitted by Dr. Worley; and the E-Rate Application as recommended by Mr. Gidwell.

Closed Session
The board accepted resignations from the following: Kezra Chamberlin, psychological examiner; Les Brown, HS French; Doreen Hasner, HS speech pathologist; Gene Calhoun, bus driver (retirement); Jessica McSpadden CRE para; and Nicole Hopper, CRE para. The board considered and approved the following for employment: Janet Conley, CRI, grade five; Andrew Schanfarber, HS science; Chelsey Keithley, CRP preschool (MPP grant); Casey Fenton, CRP PAT; Deneen Wuest, CRP PAT (grant position); and Cynthia Trimble, CRE para.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the board of education is May 17 at 6:30 p.m. in the district offices.