

BOE Meeting Highlights

Board of Education Meeting August 8, 2018

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.

Public Participation

- There were no public comments.

Superintendent's Report-Tim Keteri

- Mr. Keteri was not present.

Principal's Report-Kim Harris, South Range Elementary

- Mrs. Harris wanted to say again how phenomenal the building looks. Ron Outinen, Paul Ek, and Dylan Nettell have been working hard and doing a great job.
- Wednesday, August 15th is packet pick up for families. It was asked why it's not done earlier, it's because the class lists aren't finalized until August with new enrollments over summer. The supply list was sent out to the parent listserv and put on the website earlier.
- On August 16th there is an opportunity for staff to attend a conference with keynote speaker Lt. Colonel Dave Grossman speaking about media violence and its impacts. It's provided by a Michigan Health Endowment Grant. SRE's health committee also was able to attend a conference in Escanaba with a health grant. It was about playgrounds and how to use them more efficiently and get more kids involved.
- August 27th is Kindergarten and Fourth Grade orientation. Kindergarten is at 6PM, Fourth Grade at 7PM.
- August 29th is the first teacher inservice.
- Karri Larson began her first day as SRE secretary. She had worked in the SRE office years ago as secretary and was a sub for Diane Keranen this past year so she will be a great fit.
- SRE will have an AmeriCorp worker this year, Alaina Bach.
- The handbook is ready to be approved. No big changes. The policy of the doors not opening until 7:30AM will be more enforced this year as Mrs. Larson's day doesn't begin until then so there won't be anyone in the office to buzz in if a student is dropped off earlier. There is no supervision in the building until 7:30AM. Diane Keranen will be in the superintendent's office earlier for the bus radio for any issues.
- Jason Auel deserves a pat on the back for his work when the district was audited for Title 1. It went well.
- The Foundation agreed to partially fund the after school program so it will be offered this year again.
- Kindergarten numbers are up to 31 students.

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

- Professional development is ongoing.
- Students and parents can pick up schedules on August 15 from 8AM to 6PM at JHS. They are also available on PowerSchool or can be gotten from the office on the first day.
- 'Jump Into Jeffers', the 7th grade orientation is August 29th at 10AM-12PM. Mrs. Pera and Mrs. Larson will be running it. Ninth grade orientation is August 29th at 6PM.
- The supply list is on the website.
- The handbook is ready to be approved with no major changes.
- He recommends the hiring of Rick Cormier as the JV volleyball coach. There are about 30 students out for volleyball so there will be a strong program. He is looking to get some freshman games scheduled for more playtime.
- Tuesday, August 28th is the first athletic event of the year, cross country meet held at Kilpela Farms. Friday, August 31st will be the first volleyball game at Ontonagon. September 4th, the first day of school, will be the first home game for Jeffers volleyball.
- Saturday, September 29th will be the annual Jeffers 5K/10K.

Action Items

The Board discussed several action items.

Submitted by Valerie Dobson, South Range Elementary