BOE Meeting Highlights

Board of Education Meeting August 11, 2022

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

- Lunch prices will have to increase. The state has not said they will be funding the lunch program this year. Food costs have gone up.
- There is funding available for learning loss. The district can use this to hire a district paraprofessional.

Principal's Report-Kim Harris, South Range Elementary

- The summer program is wrapping up. It was well received this year and they are hopeful to have funding to do it again next year. Mrs. Irizarry, 1st grade teacher, did most weeks, with Mrs. Schuett, science teacher, and Ms. Myers, kindergarten teacher, doing some weeks. Mrs. Pyykkonen, 2nd grade teacher, and Mrs. Peldo, parapro, were helpers throughout the weeks. They all did a great job.
- The handbook was presented with a few updates.
- August 25th will be packet pickup for families.
- August 30th will be the Kindergarten and Young 5s orientation.
- August 31st and September 1st will be in-service days.
- September 6th will be the first day of school.
- She recommends hiring Brooke Heinonen as a SRE parapro in a 1:1 position.
 She was at the ISD as an aide and has experience.
- The building looks amazing thanks to Mr. Outinen, maintenance, and his student helpers.
- The PrePare committee met again. They worked on updating the emergency response plan. This will transition into the Behavioral Health Assessment Team and will meet throughout the year.

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

Professional development is ongoing.

- Mr. Ek and Mr. Marin have done a wonderful job getting Jeffers ready for the year. The building looks great.
- Jump into Jeffers 7th grade orientation will be Wednesday, August 31 from 9:45-12:00. 9th grade orientation will be in conjunction with the packet pickup on August 25.
- Ms. Bertucci will be the National Honor Society advisor this year.
- The handbook was presented with updates.
- Volleyball and Cross Country practices have begun. Girls Junior High Basketball will begin soon. He recommended his coaching assignments.
- The Annual 5K/10K will be October 1st. The trail is currently closed so different route options were discussed.

Action Items

The Board discussed several action items.

Submitted by Valerie Dobson, South Range Elementary