

BOE Meeting Highlights

Board of Education Meeting September 8, 2021

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

- Opening day went well. It felt different with a lightness in spirit.
- There is some at-risk funding that will be covering an aide, Mary J. Lorenz, two days a week at the grade school.
- There is a 1:1 technology grant the school will be using to get chromebooks for all K-12 students. The district will be getting 370 new chromebooks.
- Jeffers will be offering drivers ed. There will be segments 1 and 2 in the spring and fall. There will be a \$100 down payment that will be refunded after the class. There are 36 slots available per semester. They will start by offering it to the oldest students first.

Principal's Report-Kim Harris, South Range Elementary

- They had a great opening day and everything went smoothly. The numbers are still down slightly from two years ago but there are many new student faces.
- The staff recently had an inservice with Capturing Kids' Hearts. It was a great training both personally and professionally and was time well spent.
- She wanted to acknowledge Mrs. Larson and Mrs. Schuett, 4th grade teachers, and Mrs. Geshel and Miss Myers, kindergarten teachers, for their work on their respective orientations. They were well attended and had great feedback. It really helps to have the kindergarteners there close to before the first day to school.
- The new reading series is like Christmas for the teachers and is already great to implement. Next Friday they will be doing a 2 hour training on it.

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

- The Capturing Kids' Hearts training was valuable for the staff. They will be working on building connections with the kids this year. They will be surveying students on what it means to be a Jet and use responses to guide expectations and behavior in the building.

- Enrollment is 266 students compared to 268 last year. There are 16 students doing the virtual learning program through Edgenuity.
- The general feel of the first few days is great and that it is back to where it should be.
- The Travel Club will be running a concession stand at Krupp's Resort on September 17 with proceeds going towards the planned trip to Costa Rica.
- Volleyball, Cross Country, and co-op Football have all started. Junior High Girls Basketball's first game is coming up.
- The Jeffers 5K/10K will be held on Saturday, October 2.

Action Items

- The Board discussed several action items.

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