

BOE Meeting Highlights

Board of Education Meeting February 10, 2016

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.

Here are some highlights from the meeting held on January 13. The next meeting will be held Wednesday, March 9, 2016 at 6:30 P.M. in the Jeffers Media Center.

Public Participation

- There were no public comments.

Superintendent's Report-Tim Keteri

- Hockey, Girls Varsity Basketball, and Boys Varsity Basketball have their district tournament schedules.
- Mr. Keteri complimented the cooks again on their restraint in ordering and menu planning to save on costs.
- There will be a budget report next month, other than that it has been a light month without much to report.

Principal's Report-Kim Harris, South Range Elementary

- The month has been quiet yet busy with every day things.
- Upcoming events include Valentines classroom parties, the spelling bee, and 5th/6th grade basketball, coached by Mande Lehto and Ethan Kinnunen.
- The new door system was going to be put in place but Diane Keranen, secretary, was unexpectedly out for the day so Mrs. Harris will wait for her. It has been tested and works perfectly.
- The sixth grade was outside with snowshoes on an outdoor field trip with Marcy Erickson.
- The 3rd and 5th graders have been doing a Cooking With Kids program put on by the Health Department. They cook healthy foods to eat and the first graders also get to taste test the food.
- Friday will be a district inservice. The morning will be spent with the elementary and high school staff together and be split in the afternoon.

Principal's Report-Mike Benda, Jeffers High School

- The High School Bowl team will be on TV 13 on February 20 at 8PM.
- The National Honor Society will be doing 50/50 raffles at some upcoming basketball games.
- The senior class will have to do some fundraising. Classes usually raise a lot of money on their magazine sale in their junior year. Money is used for graduation gown rentals, a gift for their commencement speaker, and sweatshirts if there is enough. This class has about \$40, not enough. Some ideas they have include can drives, selling coffee, a polar bear

plunge, pancake breakfast, duct taping a teacher to a wall. Mr. Benda will steer them in a good direction.

- Mrs. Raffaelli would like to take the senior band students on a trip May 9-11. She may need to fundraise for this.
- At the Friday inservice, the high school staff will be looking at PSAT results. Of the 42 students, they scored 320-1520 out of a possible 1600. Their average was 969, the state's is 968 and the national is 1008. One thing the math department would like to change is requiring juniors to take a core math class. As it is now, students who take algebra I in eighth grade do not need a math class in their junior year. The math department feels like students would score better if they had a core math class all four year. This is something that the curriculum committee will meet about.

Athletic Committee

- After the March raffle drawing the committee will meet to start talking about athletics next year. Board President Nicholas would like the committee to have a plan to present at the May Board meeting

Action Items

Submitted by Valerie Dobson, South Range Elementary