

Board Highlights

January 14, 2015 @ 7:30PM

District Recognition

Todd Felhofer, Lincoln Elementary School Principal, presented the City-Wide Geography Bee winner's. Congratulations to all participants on your achievements!



Pictured Left to Right: Samuel Westenberg (Trinity Lutheran - 2nd Runner-up), Jacob Falkosky (Grant Elementary - 2015 Champion), Ian Sennholz (Washington Elementary - 1st Runner-up).

Superintendent's Report & Announcements

The week of January 12th is recognized as Adult School Crossing Guard Appreciation. Thank you for making our student safety your top priority!

Eric Nelson and Margot Jones, two of our very own professional educators, were recently featured in the New Visions Art Gallery "Responses to the Grid" exhibition.

The open enrollment application season for 2015-16 school year is February 2, 2015 – April 20, 2015.

Marshfield School District offers an all day, every day Kindergarten program in all of our elementary schools. During the week of February 16th, parents can stop in at any elementary school to pick up registration forms.

On January 8, 2015, students, parents, educators and community members gathered in the Marshfield High School Library for the annual AP (Advanced Placement) Scholar Ceremony. The ceremony, which started in 2004, is designed to honor students who were awarded an AP Scholar Award. A total of 199 AP Scholar Awards were distributed.

All parents are urged to maintain and/or update contact information in Skyward.

Policy and Legislation Committee

The Board took **action** and **approved** Neola Policy Series 0000's, 1000's, and 2000's. These policies supersede a number of current policies. The Board also approved the removal of 223.21, Resignation of Administrative Staff Members.

Curriculum & Instruction Committee

Committee Update: Jenni Fredrick presented an opportunity to enhance the Youth Apprenticeship Program. Mike Nicksic provided an update on the International Program with UW-Wood County. The committee received the list of fees and resale items. These will be discussed at the next meeting.

The full Board took **action** and **approved** 7-12 Art Curriculum and 7-12 Music Curriculum, including 5-6 orchestra and band.

7-12 Social Studies Curriculum and 6-12 English Curriculum was presented to the board for a first reading.

Employee Relations

Committee Update: The continued review of an alternative compensation model for professional staff was discussed.

Support, Professional, and Administrative Staff Handbooks went to the full board for a first reading.

Personnel Report

The Board **accepted** the resignation of Alice Kapla.

The Board **approved** the hiring of Michael Smith, Cathy Larson, Janet Herkert and Victoria Michalski.

Communications Committee

Committee Update: Discussed the importance of branding and a logo. Assessed the progress of the 2014-15 Communication Strategy. Received positive feedback on Parent/Guardian survey.

Finance Committee

Committee Update: Received an update on Strategic Priorities in regard to Finance. Reviewed a list of current vendors used for services and supplies.

The Board took **action** and **approved** the re-allocating of \$13,000 of a CESA 10 Contract for various Safety/Security projects throughout the schools.

Building and Grounds Committee

Committee Update: A full presentation on athletic facility options will be presented in February. Ron Sturomski updated the committee on the Wildwood Walking Trail Project. Mark Zee provided details on the upcoming School Forest Harvest.

New Business

The Board took **action** and **approved** Acceptance of Gifts and Open Enrollment Designation of Spaces for the 2015-16 academic year.

Next Regular Board Meeting: February 11, 2015