

Board of Education Meeting Notes

Nov. 9, 2015

- Recognitions
 - 2015 Jostens' National Yearbook Program of Excellence
 - Jostens, the leading producer of yearbooks and student-created content, named Andover Middle School's yearbook program as a 2015 Jostens' National Yearbook Program of Excellence. The National Yearbook Program of Excellence recognizes engaging yearbooks that reflect a broad representation of the student body while helping students develop 21st century skills such as communication, collaboration and information and communication technologies (ICT) literacy.
 - 5A Girls State Champion Tennis Team, Singles Champion
 - The Andover High School Girl's Tennis team, under the leadership of head coach Jessica Dibble, become back-to-back-to-back 5A Girls State Tennis champions. Team members include: Grace Ball, Robyn Fritze, Madi Hearne, Do-hee Lee, Addy Maples and Caitlyn White. In addition to the team winning the championship, Do-Hee won her second State Singles title and Grace was the runner up. Robyn Fritze and Caitlyn White finished third in doubles and Addy Maples and Madi Hearne finished fourth.
- Reports
 - STUCO Reports
 - Lyndsay Goodman, Andover High School Student Council Vice President, and Brynna Norris, Andover Central High School Student Council BOE Liaison, gave presentations on current school activities as well as an update on fall sports.
 - Andover Education Association Report
 - AEA Vice President Gina Miller gave an update on association activities. To see this presentation, please visit BoardDocs.
 - AESOP, VeriTime & Records Implementation Update
 - ***District Goal: Fiscal Responsibility- Demonstrate fiscal responsibility and effectively utilize facilities***
 - Director of Technology & Innovation Stacy Hudson, Business Manager & Asst. Superintendent Brett White gave an overview of the AESOP, VeriTime and Records implementation process. She and her team have been working to implement integrated systems for our time, attendance and human resource systems. A major goal of this project is allow users to update information in one system and then sync across all systems. Another goal is to develop a more efficient system that eliminates all of the manual data entry for processing payroll and leave.
 - Capital Outlay Update
 - ***District Goal: Fiscal Responsibility- Demonstrate fiscal responsibility and effectively utilize facilities***
 - Business Manager Sherame Kneisel spoke on the district's Capital Outlay process and its current status. The presentation can be viewed by visiting BoardDocs. Capital Outlay recommendations will be presented at the Dec. Board of Education meeting.
 - Andover Data Dashboard
 - ***District Goal: Culture and Climate- Provide a positive and safe environment to optimize student and staff success; Educator Effectiveness- Ensure high quality instruction in every classroom by fostering professional effectiveness; Student Achievement- Increase student learning through the implementation of Kansas College and Career Ready Standards***
 - Asst. Superintendent Jill Lachenmayr gave an update on the Andover Data Dashboard results for the fall of 2015-16. The Data Dashboard helps the district monitor and gauge our progress in achieving the District Goals of Student Achievement and Educator Effectiveness. To see the Andover Data Dashboard executive summary and presentation, please visit BoardDocs.

- District Collaboration Study Team Recommendations
 - ***District Goal: Educator Effectiveness- Ensure high quality instruction in every classroom by fostering professional effectiveness***
 - Asst. Superintendent Jill Lachenmayr presented on the District Collaboration Team and their study. As part of our district goals and action plan, the team explored options for district-wide collaboration time that could be built into educators' days. This is often referred to as "Early Release" and/or "Late Start" in other districts. As we know, a highly effective educator is the most important factor in student achievement. The results of the study showed that parents and students supported the need for educators to collaborate, but would prefer to continue collaboration during Professional Learning Days instead of implementing "Early Release" or "Late Start." For the full presentation, please visit BoardDocs.
- Discussion
 - District Calendar Guidelines
 - Asst. Superintendent Brett White gave an overview of the guidelines used by the Calendar Committee to create the annual district calendar. The Calendar Committee will begin its work in the next month to create a calendar recommendation that will be presented to the BOE in January, with action scheduled for February. To see the presentation, please visit BoardDocs.
- Action Items
 - Approval of Contract with Schneider Electric - Exterior/Interior Lighting Project
 - ***District Goal: Fiscal Responsibility- Demonstrate fiscal responsibility and effectively utilize facilities***
 - Schneider Electric is proposing a project to replace exterior and interior light fixtures with more efficient models. Through this retrofit process, the district would see energy savings annually that would surpass the initial costs of the retrofit within a 10 year time period. This retrofit would include district-wide parking lot and exterior lighting, the interior lighting in the 6000 wing of AHS used by Butler Community College and the interior lighting at the district office. This project would replace all identified lighting with LED fixtures. The total cost of the project is \$653,701. This project would be an addendum/change order to the district's original contract with Schneider Electric from 2011. The motioned carried 7-0.
 - Approval of Financing for Exterior/Interior Lighting Project
 - ***District Goal: Fiscal Responsibility- Demonstrate fiscal responsibility and effectively utilize facilities***
 - A Request For Proposal (RFP) was sent out to financial institutions in October to secure \$653,701 lease purchase financing for the potential Interior/Exterior Lighting project with Schneider Electric. CornerBank has the most advantageous interest rate proposal for the lease purchase with a term of 36 months, at 1.49% for a total cost of \$687,303.29. Payments would be monthly in the amount of \$18,578.50 and would be paid from capital outlay. The motioned carried 7-0.
- Reports
 - Superintendent Report
 - Superintendent Greg Rasmussen reported on the following issues:
 - Kansas Legislative Update: K-12 Success Committee charged with studying school funding and making recommendations to the entire Legislature met on Oct. 23. Some of their discussion centered around the amount of money that is spent in the classroom. Superintendent Rasmussen provided an overview of how those numbers are determined and how Andover compares to other school districts. To see the presentation, please visit BoardDocs.
 - Update: Potential Contracting of Transportation Services & timeline
 - RFP Due Nov. 23

- Interviews Scheduled for December
 - Recommendation to BOE – Jan. 11
 - Potential BOE Action – Feb. 8
- Update on Long Range, Comprehensive Facilities Study: The first step in this process is to select a firm to help facilitate the process (approximate timeline)
 - Request For Qualifications (RFQ) – Sent out Dec. 1
 - RFQ Due Jan. 8
 - Interview Prospective Firms – January
 - Final Selection & Recommendation to BOE – Feb. 8
 - Completion of community engagement will depend on selected firm and process timeline
- AHS Musical "AIDA" will show on Nov. 14 at 7:30 p.m. & Nov. 15 at 2:00 p.m.
- ACHS Play "Taming the Wild, Wild West in a Dress" will show Nov. 20-21 at 7:30 p.m.
- Board Report
 - President Melinda Fritze reminded the members of the board workshop on Nov. 16 at 4:00 p.m. She will also be sending out superintendent evaluation information so be looking for it.
 - Vice President Josh Wells attended a legislative forum last week. He felt it was a good reminder for all of us to remain positive and patient.
 - Member Matt Forney had no report.
 - Member Marci Fugarino has heard wonderful things on the archery program at Andover Central High School and felt parent-teacher conferences went well and were well organized.
 - Member Carly Haynes shared information about the Nov. 17 legislative forum at the South Central Kansas Education Service Center.
 - Member Linda Hope has attended the Special Education InterLocal meetings monthly and spoke about parent rights for special education students and feels BOE members should gain awareness in this area.
 - Member Scott Wilson will be attending the Andover Central High School vs. Abilene Sectional game Nov. 13. The game is at District Stadium at 7:00 p.m.