

Board of Education Meeting Notes
Sept. 14, 2015

- Recognitions
 - Susan Mueller of Wheatland Elementary & Amber Fetters of Andover Middle School were nominated for the 2016 Kansas Teacher of the Year. Both nominees were honored at a reception held by the Kansas Department of Education Saturday, Sept. 12. At this reception, Susan was also recognized as a Region IV semi-finalist for Kansas Teacher of the Year.
- Reports
 - STUCO Reports
 - Lyndsay Goodman, Andover High School Student Council Vice President, and Thomas Giebler, Andover Central High School Student Council BOE Liaison, gave presentations on current school activities as well as an update on fall sports.
 - Andover Educators Association Report
 - AEA President Kim Hett gave an update on association activities. To see this presentation, please visit BoardDocs.
 - High School Academic Report: 2014-2015 ACT and AP Results
 - Asst. Superintendent Jill Lachenmayr provided a high school academic report on student achievement from the 2015 ACT and Advanced Placement (AP) assessments. The Andover graduating class of 2015 achieved an overall composite score of 23.7 and recorded the highest reading score in district history with a 24.1 with 92% of seniors taking the ACT. Our students performed above the state and national average in all areas and produced the highest scores of the Wichita-metro area school districts. Our 2015 Advanced Placement results overall proficiency rate as a district was 78.8%, which is higher than the state (62.1%) and global (60.7%). We had 175 students take one or more Advanced Placement (AP) assessments during the 2014-15 school year. To see the full report, please visit BoardDocs.
 - 2015-16 Certified & Classified Staffing & Enrollment Update
 - Asst. Superintendent Brett White provided an overview of current certified and classified staffing levels as well as student enrollment and class size information. The total certified teaching staff equals 334.3 FTE (Full Time Equivalent) and a headcount of 347. The total classified staff FTE is 209.9. There is a headcount increase of 21 students at the elementary level and there is no change at the secondary level. The Andover eCademy FTE is projected to have a headcount of 675 this year, which includes an increase of 90 students attending full time. To see the full presentation, please visit BoardDocs.
- Action Items
 - Neighborhood Revitalization Project
 - The past few months the Board has been discussing the Neighborhood Revitalization Program that the City of Andover has proposed. On Aug. 25, 2015 the City of Andover passed the proposed program and asked for approval from the Andover Board of Education. This City of Andover, Kansas Neighborhood Revitalization Plan shall take effect on Jan. 1, 2016 and is intended to promote the revitalization and development of certain areas within the City of Andover in order to protect the public health, safety and welfare of the residents of the City. More specifically through the Plan, the City, Butler County, USD No. 385 and Butler Community College, to the extent the same participate and adopt the Plan, offer property tax rebates for certain improvements or renovation of property within the designated areas in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 12-17,114 et seq. The motion to approve the Neighborhood Revitalization Project carried 5-0.
 - Approval of Investment Grade Audit – Schneider Electric
 - Business Manager Sherame Kneisel and Executive Director David Jackson spoke on a proposed in-depth audit by Schneider Electric to replace exterior and interior light fixtures with more efficient models. Through this process the district would see energy savings

annually that would pay for the initial costs of the changes. The preliminary scope of work includes replacing district-wide parking lot and exterior lighting, the interior lighting in the 6000 wing of Andover High School used by Butler Community College and the interior lighting at District Office. The cost will depend on how many projects mentioned above are approved for retrofit. The projected cost and savings over a 15 year period can be found on BoardDocs. The motion to commence the audit carried 5-0.

- Reports

- Superintendent Report

- Superintendent Greg Rasmussen reported on the following issues:

- We have had an outstanding start to the school year.
 - The Andover Instructional Framework Academy started last week. This group is our pioneering teachers who test new technology and processes for implementing more 21st Century learning in the classroom.
 - We are in need of bus drivers and have started an incentive program to hire and retain new drivers. If you know of someone interested, please have them [apply online](#).
 - There is an upcoming Legislative Forum being planned for area school district board members that will be held in Wichita. The date is yet to be determined, but looking at Nov. 3.
 - District Collaboration Committee has begun and its task is to research ways to allow for more teacher team time and professional learning. Some examples of this could be late start, early release or modification of what we are doing on professional learning days. A report on this committee will be given in November.

- Board Report

- President Melinda Fritze spoke on the BOE Workshop scheduled for Monday and scheduling conflicts. The Board agreed to move this meeting to the regular BOE Meeting in October.
 - Vice President Josh Wells talked about the annual Andover Advantage Foundation Raise A Star Campaign (formerly known as AAF Giving Campaign), the launch of the new AAF website and the upcoming [AAF Local Harvest: Farm to Table](#) event on Sept. 26. He gave an update on the proposed Andover Tennis Complex Project.
 - Member Marci Fugarino is looking forward to judging Trojan Nite and has appreciated being involved in district benefits discussions.
 - Member Linda Hope spoke on the Butler County InterLocal office transition. She is also advocating to the InterLocal to allow paraprofessionals more participation in district professional learning days.
 - Member Scott Wilson said his school visits went well.

- Superintendent Evaluation Process

- One of the key roles of the Board is to evaluate the superintendent. The Board discussed the process and made sure everyone understood procedures and timelines. To see the evaluation instrument and timeline, please visit BoardDocs.