

## Board of Education Meeting Notes

Feb. 13, 2017

- Recognitions
  - KSDE New Horizon Award Winner
    - Carly Bowden, math teacher at Andover Central Middle School, was named a 2017 Kansas Horizon Award winner. Only 32 teachers in the state are selected and Carly joins a distinguished list of Andover teachers who have received this high honor. The Kansas Horizon Award Program identifies and recognizes exemplary teachers who distinguished themselves during their first year of teaching.
  - AHS Thespian Troupe #3540 - Gold Honor Troupe Award
    - Andover High School's Thespian Troupe participated in the Kansas Thespian Conference and won the Gold Honor Troupe Award. They also received first place in the Theater Quiz Bowl, third place in Creative Costuming and third place in the Tech Olympics. Ashley Gorton, a member of the Troupe, earned a "Superior" rating on an individual Costume Construction event.
  - Region 4 Theatre Teacher of the Year
    - At the Kansas Thespian Festival, Cassandra Conley of Andover Central High School was named the Theatre Teacher of the Year for Region 4 at the Kansas Thespian Festival. This is the first year for the award. Kansas Thespians is part of the International Thespian Honor Society and the Educational Theatre Association.
  - Exceptional Service Recognition
    - Mary Martin, custodian at Prairie Creek Elementary, was honored by the Board of Education for her exceptional service to the district. During the fire at Prairie Creek Elementary in January, Mary was instrumental in extinguishing the fire and preventing major damage to the building.
- Reports
  - STUCO Reports
    - Carly Flake, Andover High School Student Council Vice President, and Brooklyn Jamison, Andover Central High School Student Council BOE Liaison, gave presentations on current school activities as well as an update on winter sports.
  - Andover Education Association Report
    - President Kim Hett from the Andover Education Association gave the board a brief report on association activities. [Click here to see the presentation on BoardDocs.](#)
  - Budget Process Update
    - ***District Goal: Fiscal Responsibility: Demonstrate fiscal responsibility and effectively utilize facilities***
    - Business Manager Sherame Kneisel gave a brief update on the current budget process. Through proactive planning, implemented efficiencies and conservative budgeting we are on track to end the year within our planned budget. Mrs. Kneisel also spoke on state funding and 2017-18 planning. [Click here to see the presentation on BoardDocs.](#)
  - Andover Instructional Framework and Data Dashboard
    - ***District Goals: Communications: Provide communication that is purposeful and timely. 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.***
    - Assistant Superintendent Jill Lachenmayr, Professional Learning Coordinator Traci Holder and Director of Technology Stacy Hudson gave an update on the Andover Instructional Framework, the Data Dashboard and the AIF Academy. The Andover Instructional Framework is based on best practice in three important instructional areas:

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Learning Goals, Learning Designs and Assessing Student Learning. The Board Report highlighted the professional learning for our adult learners in the areas of Mentoring and New Educator Induction, District Collaboration/Professional Learning Teams, Administrators' Meetings, AIF Learning Labs, AIF Conference and the AIF Academy. The Data Dashboard helps our district monitor and gauge our progress in achieving the District Goals of Student Achievement, Educator Effectiveness and Culture and Climate. The Andover Data Dashboard Executive Summary for the second quarter was reviewed. [Click here to see the presentation on BoardDocs.](#)

- o USD 385 Benefits & Wellness Update
  - **District Goal: *Fiscal Responsibility: Demonstrate fiscal responsibility and effectively utilize facilities***
  - Assistant Superintendent Brett White, HR Assistant Julie Rogers and Christy Downing & Kelley Harris from IMA gave an update on USD 385 Benefits & Wellness initiatives. [Click here to see the report on BoardDocs.](#)
- Discussion Items
  - o Board Policy Review
    - Kansas Association of School Boards periodically provides districts with policy revisions and proposed new policies that require attention regarding or relating to state mandates or legislative action. 17 policies were available for a first read and will be voted on in March. [Click here to see the policies on Board Docs.](#)
- Action Items
  - o Resolution 16-17-06 Extend Term of Office
    - This resolution is necessary due to the board elections being moved (2016 legislative action) to Fall 2017 instead of Spring 2017. This resolution extends the term of current board members until January 2018. The vote passed 4-1.
- Reports
  - o Superintendent's Report
    - Superintendent Greg Rasmussen reported on the following items:
      - Mr. Rasmussen, President Fritze and Mrs. Susan DeVaughn spent a day last week with legislatures. He feels there is a willingness to listen and acknowledging that there is a challenge of revenue issue in the legislature with positive movement of working together.
      - Nick Detter, senior of Andover Central High School, was named a National Merit Finalist.
      - Trent Madden was one of nine students chosen to be part of the Koch Scholars program at Wichita State University. He will be awarded between \$30,000 and \$50,000 during their four-year attendance at WSU
  - o Board Report
    - President Melinda Fritze spoke on her visit to Topeka. Also, Educate Andover has new parent leaders with regular communication.
    - Vice President Josh Wells thanked those members who have been working on the Bond Issue and the opportunity this brings for our public and future.
    - Member Marci Fugarino gave no report.
    - Member Carly Haynes attend South Central Kansas Education Service Center regular meeting and gave meeting highlights.
    - Member Linda Hope is looking forward to the Bond Election process.