

# RENWICK SNAPSHOT

DECEMBER 2018

## SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE



Happy Holidays! I want to wish all of our staff, students, parents and patrons a blessed holiday season. Please enjoy your time with family and friends; we will see you back here in January for the start of 2019!

As I reflect on the past 5 months, I think to myself how fast this year has gone and how much we have accomplished. I am continually amazed at the Renwick communities and schools and how the staff, students, parents, and patrons are so willing to give so much of themselves to our schools.

#RenwickProud has been my motto this year and the staff have embraced it. Everyday the wonderful things that are happening in our district that are being shared. I am extremely #RenwickProud as I hope you are as well.

We are on the verge of very exciting things in 2019. At the beginning of this school year the Board of Education decided to move ahead with a \$28 million bond that will keep the mill levy flat for our tax payers and allow our schools to begin to do much needed updates, focusing mainly on safety and security. For the past several months work as been done to establish our needs, apply for bond money through the state Department of Education and choose an architectural firm as well as a construction management company. As of December 12th, the state Board of Education approved our bond application, giving us the green light to move ahead with planning and then present that plan to our patrons for a public bond vote.

After the new year, there will be opportunities in each community to present the bond proposal and to share the plans of this bond issue with our patrons. I will be sharing dates and times and hope all of you will make it a priority to come and listen to our plans to make our schools safer, more secure and how we plan to enhance educational experiences. The vote for the bond will be the first part of April. I hope all of you agree with me that safety, security and the needs of our students and schools are a top priority. I look forward to seeing record numbers out to vote confirming that we are all #RenwickProud.

Lastly, as I wish you all the best over the holidays, I just want you to know I am extremely proud to be in the Renwick District. When I moved here with my husband in 1994, I never expected to build a family and become part of such an amazing school district and part of such close-knit communities. There is no place I would rather be., and I thank you all for the opportunity to serve you and to assist the staff and students into making us all #RenwickProud!

### RENWICK BOE

**President Greg Tice** (rep. Colwich/St. Marks)

**VP Joanna Fair** (rep. Andale)

**Bill Brand**  
(rep. Andale)

**Joe Camp**  
(rep. at-large)

**Brent Dome**  
(rep. Colwich/St. Marks)

**Chris Heimerman**  
(rep. Garden Plain)

**Craig Nelson**  
(rep. Garden Plain)

The Board of Education meets the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. Find agendas, meeting minutes at [usd267.com](http://usd267.com)

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## BOARD MEETING SUMMARY

- Renwick Board of Education members approved the Consent Agenda including the Out-of-State travel requests from Mindy Bruce to attend the ICT National Conference in California and also Tyler Ryan to attend a Track/Football consortium in Florida.
- The Consent Agenda also included the approval of recent Employment Recommendations, including new Kitchen Manager Jourdan Durante at Garden Plain Elementary.

- Staff members of the month for November are Dena Tice, Middle School Math Teacher Colwich Elementary School; Cheyenne Holliday, FFA/Ag. Teacher Andale High School; Kenny Helten, Head Maintenance Garden Plain Elementary School, and Dennis Robinson, Head Maintenance Andale High School.



Superintendent Mindy Bruce recognizes the November Staff Members of the Month (from left to right) Dena Tice, Kenny Helten and Cheyenne Holliday.

- During Superintendent's Comments Mindy Bruce presented information on the Kansas Teacher of the Year visit scheduled for February 6, 2019. Gina Clark, College & Career Advocate at Garden Plain High School, was named a finalist for the Kansas Teacher of the Year. Guests for the visit will include State Senators and Representatives, a Member of the Kansas State Board of Education, Renwick Board of Education Members, local business leaders, Mayors, local media and the Kansas Teacher of the Year team. The visit will include tours of the Garden Plain High School, Garden Plain Elementary, Andale High School campuses and presentations of selected programs at each location. Lunch will be served at ICM following a tour of the facility.
- SPT Architects gave an update on the proposed bond project outlining updates to all Renwick campuses.
- A special meeting of the board has been scheduled for January 7, 2019 at 7 p.m. at the District Office Conference Room.
- The next regular Board Meeting will be at 7 p.m. at the District Office on January 14, 2019.
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### MISSION STATEMENT

The Mission of USD 267 is to prepare all students to be college and career ready for the 21st century.