



District Mission: Students graduate with the knowledge, skills and behaviors to be college and career ready.

Hutchinson Public Schools

2015-16 SCHOOL YEAR

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Board hears bully prevention presentation

The Hutchinson Public Schools Board of Education Monday (Oct. 26, 2015) heard a report on the district's bully prevention plans.

During the district's opening convocation and first-of-the-year professional development in August, all staff received training on Safe and Civil Schools. The program focuses on positive behavior supports.

The district also has used age-appropriate curriculum at different levels for bullying prevention. At the elementary level, for example, the district uses the "No Put Downs" curriculum. At the middle school, increased focus is placed on cyberbullying. At Hutchinson High School, students are focused on Guidelines for Success and Rachel's Challenge.

The district follows state bullying laws and has a flowchart of the law printed in parent-student handbooks.

Also during Monday's meeting, the Board:

- Heard a report on elementary vocal music curriculum.
- Heard a Continuous Improvement Report from Wiley Elementary School.
- Reviewed Operational Expectations No. 9: Communicating with the Public.
- Began the process of refinancing a portion of the bonds issued to finance capital improvements made possible by the 2006 bond election. The refinancing at current rates would save the district taxpayers \$837,350.
- Approved minutes of the Oct. 12 Board meeting.
- Approved surplus items to go to auction.
- Approved the Head Start federal financing report.
- Approved the continuation of interagency agreement between the district and the Reno County Educational Cooperative and the McPherson Special Education Cooperative.
- Approved the Treasurer's Report for September 2015.
- Debriefed on Saturday's Board retreat.
- Held an executive session for matters concerning an individual, such as a student.

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Personnel Report

The Board approved the following personnel changes.

Hired

- Kristina Perez, Certified Substitute, District,
- Richard Fisher, Certified Substitute/Classified Substitute, District/Head Start
- Megan Mehl, Food Service Secretary, Graber Elementary
- Andrew Epp, Assistant Fruits/Vegetables, Hutchinson Middle School – 7
- Rowdena Norris, Food Service Assistant, Hutcherson Center
- Zachery Ebmeier, HVAC Journeyman, Support Service Center
- Misty Barnum, Educational Aide/PE, Morgan Elementary

Resignations

- Theresa Smith, Math Teacher, Hutchinson High School, effective end of 2015-16 school year
- Ronald Weber, Math Teacher, Hutchinson High School, effective end of 2015-16 school year
- Pamela Miller, Cook/Server, McCandless Elementary, effective October 20, 2015

Retirements

- Janice Ebmeier, Education Specialist, Hutcherson Center, effective end of 2015-16 school year

Gifts to Schools

The Board formally accepted the following gifts to schools and thanked donors.

- \$250 in school assistance and additional school supplies from First United Methodist Church to Lincoln Elementary School.
- \$300 from Delos V. Smith Senior Center to Lincoln for school supplies.
- \$500 from Lowe's to Lincoln for employee school supplies.

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Board will be at 7 p.m. Nov. 9 at the Administration Center.