



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 begins study sessions

The Hutchinson Public Schools Board of Education Monday (Feb. 22, 2016) met both in regular session and a study session. The meeting was the first to have a study session designed to give members a more in-depth understanding of district programs.

The Board began its meeting in regular session in the Board Room at the Administration Center and then recessed to the Curriculum Lab at the Administration Center for a study session to take an in-depth look at student assessment and performance data for English language arts in the district. During the study session, the Board was able to look at more data, ask additional questions and give district staff more feedback on ELA within the district.

During the regular session, Board members had their annual visit from elementary art students. March is Art Month and the district has a long time tradition of celebrating visual arts with displays in all the elementary schools and the Administration Center.

The district also has its online art exhibition. The public is invited to view the exhibit and vote on their favorite. The online exhibit is available at <http://www.usd308art.com/>

Also during Monday's agenda meeting the Board:

- Approved minutes of the Feb. 8, 2016, Board meeting.
- Approved the Hutchinson Career and Technical Education Academy advisory committees.
- Approved the renewal of general liability, property and errors and omissions insurance with Fee Insurance. The 2016 rate is \$265,614, a decrease of \$1,583 from last year.
- Approved a list of surplus or write-off assets.
- Approved the state pre-kindergarten program continuation.
- Approved the district's rental agreement with the city of Hutchinson for Memorial Hall. The district holds its annual district-wide orchestra concert there in March.
- Approved the January 2016 Treasurer's Report.

Personnel Report

The Board approved the following personnel changes.

USD 308 does not discriminate on the basis of race, religion, color, national origin, sex, age, or disability in employment or in access to or the use of its programs and activities.

Recommendations for Employment

- Rebecca DeBoard, School Counselor, Faris Elementary School, effective 2016-17 school year
- Michelle Unruh, Vocal Music and Band Teacher, McCandless Elementary School, effective 2016-17 school year
- Shelby Westfahl, Band Teacher, Hutchinson Middle School, effective 2016-17 school year
- Julie Bergsten, Resource Room Para, McCandless Elementary
- Kristin Unruh, Educational Aide, McCandless Elementary
- Emma Harkness, Educational Aide, McCandless Elementary
- Thomas Tillman, Playground/Lunchroom Aide, Faris Elementary
- Thad Bartley, Certified Substitute Teacher, District
- Samuel Hill, Certified Substitute Teacher, District
- MacKenzie Justice, Certified Substitute Teacher, District
- Andrew Renaud, Certified Substitute Teacher, District

Resignations

- Michael Hein, Physical Education Teacher, Graber Elementary School, effective end of 2015-16 school year
- Heather McClure, Assistant Cheerleading Coach, Hutchinson Middle School - 8, effective end of 2015-16 school year
- Heather Olson, Special Education Teacher, Hutchinson Middle School - 8, effective end of 2015-16 school year
- Kelsey Dunn, Modified Para, Avenue A Elementary, effective Feb. 24, 2016
- Jeffrey Caton, Modified Para, Avenue A Elementary, effective April 7, 2016

Retirement

- Cindy Knox, Physical Education Teacher, Hutchinson High School, effective Oct. 10, 2016

Position Changes, From, To

- Kylie Rush, Kindergarten Teacher/Wiley, Grade 2 Teacher/Avenue A, 2016-2017 school year

Gifts to Schools

The Board formally accepted and thanked the donors of the following gifts.

- \$1,000 grant from Blue Cross and Blue Shield of Kansas to Hutchinson Magnet School at Allen for healthy habits for life.
- \$500 from the Rimmer Family Foundation to Hutchinson Magnet School at Allen for student needs.
- Four calendars and 19 books, valued at \$110, from the Hutchinson Police Department in partnership with Kohls to Hutchinson Magnet School at Allen.

Next Meeting

The next regular meeting of the Board will be at 7 p.m. March 14 at the Administration Center.