

## BOARD BRIEFS

Todd Terrill, Superintendent

April 24, 2019

### Celebrations/Reflections

#### Blended Learning

Rebecca Lafuze (3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher) and Lauren Gruber (Orchestra) shared their journey through blended learning and how technology has been beneficial to teachers and students in the classroom. They gave special thanks to the eLearning Specialists for being so helpful.

#### Consent Items

- ◆ Approval of Minutes
- ◆ Human Resources
- ◆ Accounts Payable
- ◆ Monthly Financial Report
  - ◆ Transfers

#### Action Items

- ◆ Donations
- ◆ WeRSavers
- ◆ Consulting Agreement with Curtis and Livers
  - ◆ 2020-2021 School Calendar
  - ◆ Policy Creation and Maintenance Policy

### Board Reports and Discussion

#### Textbook fees and Reading Adoption

Corey Hartley (Director of Elementary Education), Michael Shuuneson (Director of Secondary Education), Cynthia Kirk (District Instructional Coach), Kim Weber (Instructional Coach), Jeanne Hendricks (5th grade) Melissa Jordan (4th grade) were part of the reading adoption committee for K-6. The committee was comprised of new and veteran teachers. The group explained to the board why they are recommending F&P Classroom. F&P has authentic literature with no repeated titles in K-6 and will still be viable in five years. They believe this will provide the joy of reading to all students at all levels while also meeting the needs of all student reading levels. F&P provides high quality materials and lessons that will prepare students as they move into intermediate and high school. Teachers will receive many high interest books for their classrooms along with online materials. There is also a layer of professional development embedded into the materials that are very helpful for the teachers. The teachers are very excited about F&P Classroom and cannot wait to get started.

The board and cabinet members discussed different textbook fee options that are available for the upcoming school year.

### Upcoming Meeting and Events

#### Board Retreat dates:

Thursday May 2, 2019 5:00pm – 8:00 pm  
 Wednesday May 29, 2019 5:00pm – 8:00pm

Walk-in Friday April 26, 2019: This event is meant to be a testament of solidarity to others of support for public education and raise the awareness of the issue of financial support for public education and teacher pay.

Teachers and administrators will meet before their contracted day starts in front of their school and walk in together wearing red. Principals, administrators and board members are invited to participate. Mr. Terrill will be on FB Live to help raise awareness to these important issues.



### Adjournment/Bell Ringer

Karen Scalf, Chief Financial Officer, has been recognized by her peers as the Region 6 “Chief Financial Officer of the Year”. Congratulations to Mrs. Scalf, we are grateful for all of your hard work throughout the year.

Mr. Tony Michael passed away last week after a short illness. He was a 1964 graduate of Richmond High School and also retired from RCS in 2004 after 36 years of service. Our condolences go out to his family.