

Board Meeting Update

November 13, 2014

Central Constituents,

As I do every month, the following are the highlights of the November 12, 2014 regular school board meeting. I hope you enjoy these updates that are focused on keeping you informed of what is taking place at the school board table.

- If you would like to view any of the public documents that are available to the board, you can visit our BoardDocs site to view the agenda and the supporting documents that go with each agenda item. This information can be found [at this site](#).
- If you'd like to view the video recording of last night's meeting, you can view the meeting on our school board YouTube channel [at this link](#).
- The FFA students who attended the National FFA Convention gave a presentation to the school board, including the activities and learning that were included in their trip. These students, under the direction of Agriculture Education Teacher & FFA Sponsor Amy Grantz, explained in detail why this trip was important for their learning and why agriculture is vitally important. The slides of the presentation can be viewed [at this link](#).
- Students who attended a recent FIRST (For Inspiration and Recognition of Science and Technology) Tech Challenge, along with Mr. Eddie Mercado, spoke to the board about their recent competition and what they are learning through the robotics program we are building at the high school. These students were very excited about their learning and the opportunities they have through this program. Special thanks to volunteers Paul Marvin and Jim Lass for their time and expertise in helping these students along the way! More information on the FIRST Tech Challenge can be found [at this link](#).
- Business Manager Tina Bartels gave a report on our official certified enrollment for this school year. As you will find [at this link](#), our certified enrollment for the year is 21 students less than our enrollment last school year. However, we are serving 3 more students than we did last year.
- Our new property and liability insurance company, IPSIP, has a Loss Control Specialist that now visits our school district buildings every six months. They are very thorough in writing recommendations for our school district to consider. The first report we received through this new program can be found [at this link](#). Many of the recommendations were addressed immediately, and the District will be

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considering other recommendations as we move into the future. This has proven to be a great asset for the school district as we strive to ensure safety within our school facilities.

- This month's personnel report, including any personnel changes within the last month, can be found [at this link](#).
- The board also made their annual appointment of those individuals serving on one of the five Career & Technical Education Advisory Committees. These groups are divided into the following areas: Industrial Technology, Business, Family Consumer Science – Culinary Arts, Family Consumer Science – Child Development, and Agriculture. The list of those serving on the Advisory Committees can be found [at this link](#).
- A discussion and decision was scheduled regarding Proposals for Banking Services, but the discussion was tabled until the December regular school board meeting since there were only three school board members present at this meeting.

Those are the highlights of last night's regular meeting. The next regular board meeting is on Wednesday, December 10, 2014, at 6:00 pm, in the Central Middle School Media Center.

If you have any comments, questions, or concerns regarding what I've written here...or regarding anything else, please do not hesitate to contact me!

Thank you,



Dr. Dan Peterson, Superintendent
Central Community School District

