



Burbank School District 111

Board Briefs

December 19, 2018

Board of Education Meeting Summary

- A Public Hearing for the 2018 Tax Levy was held at 6:45 pm prior to the regular board meeting.
- Burbank School decorated the board room and presented for the month of December. Dr. Abousweilem shared a video made by Mrs. Kennedy's 5th grade enrichment class.
- Ms. Lindemann gave the board a brief staffing update. She also recognized employees for their participation and coordination of winter music programs across the district, the emotional wellness parent night at Burbank, McCord's Culver's Night, and Byrd's Slime STEAM Night. She said that School Relations has discussed a possible amendment to the 2018-19 calendar to make up for the snow day and mentioned the results of a staff survey in favor of having school on Pulaski Day. She said that a public hearing will be scheduled prior to the regular board meeting in January.
- Ms. Flavin asked the board to approve the recommendation to adopt Over Drive for e-book and audio book content. She also gave an update on Impact Cycles with the instructional coaches. Ms. Flavin said that the district continues to receive and process parent requests for acceleration and commended the principals and teachers for working with students to facilitate a smooth transition for students who meet the requirements for acceleration.
- Ms. Winterfield said that there will be another onsite visit for eSpark in January. She said that they are working on data input for Branching Minds and formal professional development has been planned for building teams. Ms. Winterfield said that they are also researching progress monitoring tools.
- Dr. Ochoa said that the tentative levy presented in November remains unchanged and recommended that the board approve it. She said that the auditors continue to work with their new completion date of January 15. Dr. Ochoa said that eFinance training continues at the district and she will begin visiting each building for hands on training after winter break. She also announced that the district received a mini-grant of \$3,000 which will be used for a program at Liberty called "Hello, Let's Learn to Sew!"
- Mr. Ficker said the pickup truck and Suburban have been sold, the drop-off area at Burbank is complete, and the basketball hoops are ready. He said that the Life/Safety visit with the regional office went well and they are busy preparing for summer projects. He also thanked the retirees for their service and wished them well.
- Mr. Conboy announced that he is in the process of securing a performance contract for ongoing energy saving initiatives and said that a request for proposals will go out in January.

- Mr. McCartney said that the technology staff will be working on small projects over winter break including an ID system upgrade, phones, Follett library, Classlink, and preparing for ACCESS testing in January.
- Tobin's 6th grade field trip to Milwaukee was approved.
- Student teacher placements, a lane change, and an after school activity were approved.
- The purchase of the digital library resource, OverDrive, was approved.
- The board engaged Cannon Design to prepare and manage the bid process for the Life Safety and Facility Assessment work.
- The board approved the sales of the Dodge Ram Pickup and Chevy Suburban to the highest bidders.
- The board approved the 2019-20 School Calendar as presented.
- The 7th grade field trip to Springfield and St. Louis was approved as presented.
- The board adopted the resolutions and certificates for the 2018 tax levy.

*Leadership is about making others better as a result of your presence
and making sure that impact lasts in your absence.*
~ Sheryl Sandberg