

Pattonsburg R-II School District
February 18, 2015 School Board Meeting Notes

The board approved minutes from January 21, 2015 and District Obligations/Bills for February 2015 as presented in Consent Agenda.

During the Administrators Reports, Mr. Clawson updated the board on the Board of Education candidates for the April 7th Election. Three people are running for two positions: Incumbent Pam Plymell, Lyle Hoover and Ben DeJong.

On February 6th, the Grand River Conference unanimously voted to add 4 schools (Trenton, St. Joe. Christian, North Andrew, and Pattonsburg) beginning with the 2016-17 school year. Milan and Putnam County were also added last week. Football will be in two divisions based on 8-man or 11-man classifications. The conference will have two divisions for softball and basketball. The divisions will be re-evaluated following the announcement of Milan and Putnam County last week. There are many details and scheduling to be worked out.

We have had several maintenance issues with lighting and HVAC over the past couple of months. We will continue to monitor and make repairs as needed. We have a one or possibly two units that cannot be repair and must be replaced.

Pattonsburg will host the Class 1 District 14 Basketball Tournament February 23rd-28th, 2015.

Mrs. Cornett reported on Elementary News: The Daviess County Spelling Bee was held on February 12th. Kadence Shippers, fifth grade, was the third place winner. We are certainly proud of her for this accomplishment.

Our character word for the month was "patience". Those students nominated for demonstrating this trait were: Nephi Sullivan, kindergarten; Alex Hartman, first grade; Keegan Goble, second grade; Evan Clough, third grade; Jenna Heath, fourth grade; Oliver Anderson, fifth grade; and Kaden de Jong, sixth grade.

Our fifth/sixth grade basketball tournament is right around the corner, March 2, 4, 5, and 6.

Mrs. Jones will be setting up the library for the Book Fair from March 2nd through March 11th. We always get good support for this activity.

We are having our 'Muffins for Moms' breakfast on Tuesday, March 10th. Last year we had approximately 85 moms and grandmas come in and have breakfast with their youngsters. I am hoping for at least 100 this year.

Third quarter Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held on Thursday, March 12th, from 11:30 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. There is no school for the students on this day and no school on Friday, March 13th.

School will be in session on Monday, March 16th, as this is our second scheduled make-up day.

Our third quarter awards assembly is scheduled for Thursday, March 19th, at 8:15 a.m.

Mr. Hodge's HS report included news from the High School: District FBLA contest was scheduled for Feb. 12 at Maryville. Kurt Bowman qualified for state.

JH Academic season has started we have 6 students participating, (2-1) Record.

The Varsity boys are (13-8) and the Varsity girls are (16-6) overall. Gilman City Tournament results Boy's 2nd & Girls 1st.

Court-warming was January 23rd everything went well Megan Crone and Jared Teel were crowned Court-warming Royalty.

JH & HS Science Olympiad has taken place. Clark Adler, Kaden Hodge, Will McDaniel, and Kurt Bowman qualified for state contest.

In new business, the board approved the hosting the Junior High Cooperative Sponsorship for 2015-16 with North Daviess and Gilman City for JH Football and JH Softball; and with North Daviess for JH Girls and Boys Basketball.

The board also approved services for a social worker through the ACES Special Education Coop. for 2015-16 and the Internet Safety Policy update.

The board had discussion on facilities and staffing for 2015-16 and beyond. We are anticipating a large kindergarten class in 2015-16 (25-28 students). We will have two section of Kindergarten. As long as this class stays large, we will plan on have two sections for this class for at least the next two or three years. There are no extra rooms in the elementary. To allow for an extra classroom, sixth grade will be moving to the Junior High. Our Junior High will consist of grades 6-8. 6th grade will have a schedule to our 7th & 8th grade students. The board discussed long term facilities planning and classroom space issue we currently have. We are planning on looking at some options to add to our facilities to address the increased enrollment over the past few years as well as the future.

Following executive session, the board extended the Principals Contracts: Mr. Hodge's contract thru the 2016-17 and Mrs. Cornett's contract thru the 2015-16. The board also accepted a letter of resignation from Mrs. Ashley Porter, K-12 Music teacher. The board offered contracts for the 2015-16 school year to Mrs. Arah Gay, K-12 Music, and Mrs. Cindy Nabor, Special Ed. Director/Teacher.

Present: Patty Hartley, Lincoln Cornett, Stephanie Mason, Pam Plymell, Laura Booth, Brian Teel, Troy Clawson, Latrenda Snider, Cheryl Cornett, and Chris Hodge.

Absent: Jason Teel.