

REGULAR MEETING

The regular meeting of the Board of Education of Sandwich Community Unit School District #430, DeKalb, Kendall, and LaSalle Counties, Illinois was held on Tuesday, May 19, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. at Sandwich Middle School.

President Hamilton welcomed the Board and audience to the meeting.

ROLL CALL

Present: President Hamilton, Vice-President Miller, Secretary Stahl, & Saitta.

Absent: Spartz & Scharenberg.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SHS student Warner Hellyer led the Board and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

STUDENT REPORTS

Student Reporter: Warner Hellyer-Sophomore-Member of DCP/Safe reported on the following:

In the last month DCP/SAFE has been able to initiate and be involved in several activities.

First of all, on April 22nd we presented a Mock Crash Scene for prom goers at the IVVC parking lot. We worked in conjunction with the Sandwich Fire Department, Sandwich Police Department, OSF Lifeflight, Yingling Salvage, the SHS Music Department and the SHS Media club to present a representation of what happens in a crash and how the first responders have to work to help the victims of such an event. The students witnessing the event saw the disastrous effects of poor decisions made while driving such as drinking and driving, texting and driving or distracted driving and how it impacted their fellow students and friends.

DCP/SAFE was also able to provide activities at Prom thru the prize money from the Operation Teen Safe Driving Event. This year as a result of winning 1st Place for our Region we were awarded prize money to be used for Post Prom. This year in lieu of a post prom, prom was extended for extra time. To add extra fun to prom, DCP/SAFE organized 2 caricaturists and a balloon artist, brought in dessert trays, had popcorn donated, and distributed color changing cups and key chains with our safe driving message on them...

On April 30th 15 DCP/SAFE members attended the Ford Driving Skills for Life Academy in Chicago Illinois. At this academy, all participants were able to participate in a four stations, Hazard Recognition, Vehicle Handling, Distraction Course, and Simulated Impaired Driving. Each participant received a certificate of completion that some insurance companies will reward with a discount on insurance costs.

On May 12th, 11 members attended our last County wide meeting to recognize all of the events and awareness activities that our school have done to help our students in making good decisions while in high school. At this meeting our senior members were also honored and received a certificate of appreciation and a gift from the county DCP/SAFE organization. On May 13th, DCP/SAFE conducted a quiz activity to highlight the Anti-Marijuana Campaign. Our organization at SHS received approximately \$1500 to buy materials to raise the awareness of the impact marijuana can have on their lives. We were able to purchase many items to distribute to students. In addition to these materials, we were also provided with posters that we have hung throughout the school during the school year as well as materials to distribute during the homecoming parade. Our plan is to continue this initiative next year to distribute the remaining materials that we have.

Our current DCP/SAFE members will have 2 more meetings before the end of the school year to select officers and start brainstorming ideas to implement at the beginning of the school year next year... and on we go...

Athletics:

The Sandwich Fishing team capped off a great Spring Season this week by placing 14th overall at the IHSA State Fishing tournament in Carlyle Illinois. They qualified two boats for the State Tournament by winning the Lake Holiday Sectional. They also fished 6 open tournaments placing as high as 5th at the Bass Federation Open. Nine boys fished last fall and 12 this spring.

We have had a very successful track season! As a team we finish 2nd at our Conference Track Meet. Maddie Robinson-Conference Champ in the Shot Put and Discus

We have 2 IHSA State Qualifiers: Kayla Schiera- 1600 Meter Run AND Emily Ness-100 Meter High Hurdles and 300 Meter Intermediate Hurdles. Emily Ness broke the school record in the 300 Meter Intermediate Hurdles.

The boys track team finished 3rd at the 1-8 conference meet. We had 4 events that won a conference championship.

1st place-Discus Alex Maisonet

1st place-110 High Hurdles Jesse Brunoehler

1st place-300 High Hurdles Jesse Brunoehler

1st place 1600 meter Relay: Kody Randa, Marc Lidinsky, Eric Littlejohn, Jesse Brunoehler

On 5/16/15, The 1600 Meter Relay of Kody Randa, Marc Lidinsky, Eric Littlejohn, Jesse Brunoehler broke the school record hitting the mark of 3:29.40. The Boys Track team will compete at the IHSA Sectional Meet in LaSalle Peru on Friday

BOARD SALUTES

To the following the Board salutes: Drew Rebhorn and Stephanie Tetrick who received All-Conference honors for Scholastic Bowl and to The Envirothon team members Kaylah McAnally, Kate Carpenter, Kelly Pfaff, Hannah Hernandez and Randi Guy who placed first in DeKalb County in the Envirothon competition.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES, PAYROLL, EXPENDITURES & INVESTMENTS

Mr. Stahl moved, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the minutes of the April 28, 2015 Special Board Meeting, minutes of the IVVC Board of Controls meeting of May 6, 2015, current expenditures, payroll and investment plans.

Ayes: Miller, Stahl, Saitta & Hamilton. Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF PROPERTY CASUALTY INSURANCE

Mr. Miller moved, seconded by Mr. Stahl to approve the property casualty insurance with Trident at a cost of \$110,740 for the 2015-2016 school year.

Ayes: Stahl, Saitta, Miller & Hamilton. Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVE PAPER BID

Mr. Stahl moved, seconded by Mr. Miller to approve the bids as presented to Paper 101, Ankeny Iowa for 2015-2016 paper supplies.

Ayes: Saitta, Miller, Stahl & Hamilton. Nays: None

MOTION CARRIED

SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT REPORTS

Mr. Ron Pieper, director of IVVC reported on their enrollment, tuition costs, programs and the new health wing which is set to open in the fall. There will be an open house on August 13, 2015. The addition of the new health wing coincides with the 40th year anniversary of IVVC's establishment.

In written reports:

Mr. Sodaro – Sandwich High School

BOE Salute/Recognition:

Drew Rebhorn and Stephanie Tetrick received All-Conference honors for Scholastic Bowl.

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SIP / Educational Goals / AdvancED Progress:

This last month the high school has been very active in the AdvancED process. We have been collecting artifacts for the first three standards. We have a phenomenal start and feel we are on the right track to completing the standards this year.

The Math Department has been working diligently to update all pacing guides. These were completed last week and are currently on the district server for the rest of the teachers to review. At this point, every grade level from K-12 has completed their pacing guides. Many of these have been added to building websites. Other departments at the high school are reviewing pacing guides to make sure they are incorporating Common Core.

The high school has been deeply involved in two assessments, PARCC and MAP. PARCC is administered for the second time to students in Algebra II and students involved in English III. The timing of PARCC and time demands of PARCC are making it very difficult to administer in the time we are allowed. We are concerned about future PARCC testing and how we will complete the assessment in a timely manner. Freshmen are involved in MAP testing and are completing the assessment as scheduled.

Academic / Extra Curricular Programs & Services Progress:

Tuesday, June 2 **CLOSED CAMPUS**

Students must attend all classes including study hall.

1 st & 2 nd Hours	Regular Schedule
3 rd Hour – Regular Class	9:48-10:12
4 th Hour - Exam	10:15 – 11:35
5 th Hour	Regular Schedule

6th Hour – Regular Class 1:03 – 1:27

7th Hour - Exam 1:30 – 2:50

No Ag classes - AM IVVC class returns at 10:10 AM – PM IVVC class regular time - Fire Science class returns at 10:10 AM

Wednesday, June 3 **CLOSED CAMPUS**

Students must attend all classes including study hall.

1st Hour – Regular Class 8:00 – 8:50

2nd Hour - Exam 8:54 – 10:12

3rd Hour - Exam 10:15 – 11:35

5th Hour Regular Schedule

6th Hour - Exam 1:03 – 2:22

EARLY DISMISSAL 2:22 (buses normal time)

No Ag classes - AM IVVC class returns at normal time – PM IVVC class dismiss at 2:15 PM - Fire Science class regular time

Thursday, June 4

Study Hall attendance not required.

1st Hour - Exam 8:00 – 9:20

5th Hour - Exam 9:23 – 10:44

EARLY DISMISSAL 10:44 (buses normal time)

No Ag - No IVVC

Tests are to be given in all classes on assigned days. Failure to take the exam(s) due to an unexcused absence will result in failure of exam.

2015 Senior Awards Night

On May 11th, 2015 Sandwich High School held its annual Senior Honors Awards Night. The SHS community recognized the accomplishments and rewarded the efforts of the class of 2015. Principal at the high school, Mr. Thomas Sodaro welcomed the attendants and presented the perfect attendance awards. Students with perfect attendance for all four years of high school were Zachary Benson, Courtney Murphy & Sieara Tocheck. Perfect attendance for senior year certificates were presented to Elizabeth Aguilar, Austin Clark, Joseph Duffy, Jocelyn Gama, Theresa Groetzenbach, Kyle Hannenberg, Monique Italia, Alexis Mason, Dylan Moore & Taylor Ordonez.

Scholastic awards were presented by Mr. Thomas Sodaro & School Superintendent Mr. Rick Schmitt to the following students for achieving a 3.2 or above cumulative GPA for all 4 years.

Elizabeth Aguilar
Emily Buri
Austin Clark
Joseph Duffy
Cheyenne Flores
Samantha Gilbert
Colton Isham
Caitlyn Kaltenecker
Derrick Lopez
Anna Montgomery
Kody Randa

Ronni Allen
Caitlin Carlson
Elizabeth Davis
William Fetz
Molly Fraser
Kylee Haiman
Monique Italia
Lauren Kaltenecker
Jonathan Martin
Taylor Ordonez
Melina Ramirez

Drew Bohnstedt
Kate Carpenter
Stephanie Diehl
Andrea Fiala
Laurie French
Kyle Hannenberg
Jacqueline Johnson
Kylie Leonard
Kaylah McAnally
Kelly Pfaff
Drew Rebhorn

Brittany Reyes	Shannon Roehn	Michelle Smith
Shannen Sutherland	Krystal Swanson	Stephanie Tetrick
Rachel Torres	Buyandelger Tssetsengarid	

Mrs. Jennifer Docherty announced the following list of recognition awards and scholarships students have received from the college they will be attending.

Boys State – Jason Howell & Colton Isham
Girls State – Molly Fraser & Michelle Smith
Sons of the American Revolution Outstanding Citizenship Award – Michelle Smith
Daughters of the American Revolution Outstanding Citizenship Award – Jason Howell
Aurora University Opportunity Grant – Raquel Gonzalez
Illinois State University Academic Scholarship – Elizabeth Davis
Bob Jones University Class of 2019 & Ministry Jubilee Scholarship – Briseydi Velasco
University of Chicago Odyssey Scholarship – Stephanie Tetrick
University of Illinois Urbana Champaign President’s Award – Jacob Valentine
Lincoln College Athletic Scholarship – Kyle Eighner
Louisiana State University Academic Scholars Award – Colton Isham
Northern Illinois University Centennial Scholarship – Rachel Torres
North Central College Concert Winds, Jazz Band, Music Education & Honors Scholarship, Alumni Award – Joseph Duffy
North Central College Presidential Scholarship, Concerts Winds Scholarship & Alumni Award – Molly Fraser
North Central College Honors Scholarship – Austin Clark
Purdue University Presidential Scholarship, Alumni General Scholarship, General University Grant & Pella Rolscreen Foundation Sons & Daughters Scholarship, American Architectural Manufacturers Association - Kate Carpenter
Purdue University Presidential Scholarship – Brittany Reyes
Southern Illinois Univ. Carbondale University Excellence Scholarship – Jackie Johnson
Southern Illinois Univ. Carbondale Academic Scholarship – Lauren Wilgus
Waubensee Community College Lucile Gustafson Scholarship – Mariana Hall, Caitlyn Kaltenecker & Taylor Ordonez
Washington University in St. Louis Eliot Scholarship – Kaylah McAnally
University of Wisconsin Whitewater Chancellor’s Scholarship – Drew Rebhorn
Wheaton College Grant & Arthur Holmes Award – Michelle Smith

Illinois State Scholars are selected by the Illinois Student Assistance Commission based on ACT scores, GPA and class rank at the end of the 6th semester of high school. The following SHS seniors were selected for this honor:

Emily Buri	Kate Carpenter	Molly Fraser
Jacqueline Johnson	Lauren Kaltenecker	Kaylah McAnally
Kelly Pfaff	Drew Rebhorn	Brittany Reyes
Michelle Smith	Stephanie Tetrick	
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Prairie State Achievement Awards are given to seniors who exceeded standards in one or more areas on the Prairie State Achievement Examination in April of their junior year. Students can earn a Prairie State Achievement Award in the areas of mathematics, science and/or reading. The following students received this award:

Ronni Allen	Dalton Bray	Emily Buri
Kate Carpenter	William Fetz	Andrea Fiala
Molly Fraser	Colton Isham	Jacqueline Johnson
Lauren Kaltenecker	Kristopher Lauing-Tannenbaum	
Kaylah McAnally	Kelly Pfaff	Drew Rebhorn
Michelle Smith	Shannen Sutherland	Stephanie Tetrick
Jacob Valentine		

The Department Chairs at the high school have an opportunity to present an outstanding student award in their individual department. Listed below are the departments and recipients of those awards.

Math award presented by Mrs. Katie Waldvogel awarded to Molly Fraser, Michelle Smith & Stephanie Tetrick.

Physical Science award presented by Mrs. Beth Volpp & Mr. Josh Hamer awarded to Kate Carpenter &

Biological Science awarded to Kaylah McAnally.

Art award presented by Mr. Shane Connell awarded to Liliana Corral & Drew Prucha.

English award presented by Mrs. Debra Heilemeier awarded to Kelly Pfaff.

Social Studies award presented by Mrs. Chandra Thorson awarded to Drew Rebhorn & Buyandelger Tssetsengarid.

Speech & Drama award presented by Mr. Kevin Pajor awarded to Cheyenne Flores & Samantha Gilbert.

National School Choral Award presented by Ms. Liz Shollenberger awarded to Elizabeth Aguilar.

Foreign Language award presented by Mr. Thomas Sodaro awarded to Kaylah McAnally.

Career & Technical Education award presented by Mr. Chris Johnson awarded to Kylie Leonard & Marc Lidinsky.

Physical Education award presented by Mr. Josh McCarty awarded to Kevin Cunz & Kyle Eighner.

Many scholarship representatives were on hand to present the scholarships. The following is the list of scholarships, presenters and the recipients.

Gamma Rho Grant-in-Aid, presented by Mrs. Doni Morgan, awarded to Molly Fraser & Michelle Smith.

Castle Bank Grant, presented by Mr. Eric Petre, awarded to Kate Carpenter.

Castle Bank Spirit Scholarship, presented by Mr. Eric Petre, awarded to Michelle Smith.

Drew Vermeland Memorial Scholarship, presented by Mr. Lloyd Vermeland, awarded to Raquel Gonzalez.

Jacob Gordon Scholarship, presented by Ms. Julie Gordon, awarded to Kate Carpenter & Molly Fraser.

Lucile Gustafson Scholarship, presented by Miss Jackie Walker, awarded to Mariana Hall, Caitlyn Kaltenecker & Taylor Ordonez.

NB&T Scholarship, presented by Mrs. Cori Elliott, awarded to Kate Carpenter.

SCTA Memorial Scholarship, presented by Mrs. Cindy Fraser & Mrs. Yvonne Kedzierski, awarded to Derrick Lopez, Michelle Smith, Stephanie Tetrick & Rachel Torres.

Sandwich Sports Boosters Scholarship, presented by Mr. Matt Roop, awarded to Michelle Smith & Kyle Eighner.

Lions Club/Lou Brady Memorial Scholarship, presented by Mr. Leo Sondgeroth & Mr. Gary Lemke, awarded to Colton Isham, Caitlin Carlson, Kate Carpenter & Michelle Smith.

Masonic Lodge Scholarship, presented by Mr. Jim Weekly, awarded to Michelle Smith.

Joe Myers Courage Scholarship, presented by Mr. Jim Myers, awarded to Stephanie Tetrick.

Rotary Raymond Larsen Scholarship, presented by Mr. Jim Swanson, awarded to Hailey Russell.

Rotary Most Improved Student, presented by Mr. Jim Swanson, awarded to Victoria Gregory.

Sandwich Education Foundation Scholarship, presented by Mr. Dave Scharenberg, awarded to Kate Carpenter, Kelly Pfaff & Michelle Smith.

Cortright Memorial Scholarship, presented by Mr. Dave Scharenberg, awarded to Lauren Wilgus.

United States Marine Corps Scholastic Excellence, Distinguished Athlete & Semper Fidelis Award, presented by Sgt. Justin Wilson, Scholastic Excellence awarded to Michelle Smith, Distinguished Athlete awarded to Kody Randa & Semper Fidelis awarded to Gillian Frosch.

Illinois Nat'l Guard Grant & Montgomery G.I. Bill, presented by Sgt. Hayley Clayton, awarded to Domonic Lange & Kyle Rogers.

Heartland Red Cord Award, presented by Mrs. Chandra Thorson, awarded to Angela Alfaro, Stacy Cantrell, Elizabeth Davis, Andrea Fiala, Tori Gregory, Charisse Keating, Kelly Pfaff & Drew Rebhorn.

Heartland Blood Center National Honor Society Scholarship, presented by Mrs. Chandra Thorson, awarded to Kelly Pfaff.

Phi Delta Kappa Scholarship, presented by Mr. Thomas Sodaro, awarded to Michelle Smith.

The following Athletic Awards were presented by Athletic Director Mr. Kris Cassie. Four year three sport athletic awards were awarded to Kevin Cunz, Mackenzie Kolka & Kody Randa. Female Athlete of the Year was awarded to Aubrey Kelson and Male Athlete of the Year was awarded to Kody Randa.

Congratulations to the Sandwich High School class of 2015!

Visit from Congressman Hultgren

On April 6, Congressman Randy Hultgren visited Sandwich High School and spoke to Mr. Johnson's Consumer Education classes. The students this year are competing in the Capital Hill Stock Market Challenge, where teams of students have \$100,000 to invest and compete against each other and the S&P 500.

The congressman emphasized budgeting and saving money throughout much of his talk. He spoke for about 45 minutes and then opened it up for questions. The students did a great job of asking some good questions as well as being attentive throughout the presentation. Questions had to do with stem cell research, the congressman's I.D. (lapel pin and card for voting in Congress), college costs, housing crisis, how he got his job, what he did for a living before this, how his district was drawn up, etc.

This was a great opportunity for the students to hear directly from their federal representative and learn more about how the government operates and how it influences their own lives.

Art at SHS

Mrs. Mullen's art students recently learned about Vincent Van Gogh and recreated his "*Sunflowers*" painting. It's exciting for students to be able to see such beautiful results by working together to create a work of art.

On April 8, twelve students traveled to Manteno High School to participate in the annual I-8 Art Show & Media Competition. Virginia Roberts and Alix McGill both earned ribbons in their media categories.

Mr. Richardson - Sandwich Middle School

The spring Aimsweb testing is complete. This data along with MAPS and Partners4Results will be utilized to address areas of the curriculum that need improvement. The following "next" steps of our school improvement plan are being addressed:

- Continue to collect and analyze data
- Evaluate the effectiveness of the interventions based on student performance
- Modify interventions and/or assessments based on student data
- Continue tapping the knowledge of the math and language arts teachers at each grade level to assist other subject areas in pedagogy
- Await the results of the 5 Essentials Survey to enable us to incorporate non-academic programs and interventions
- Identify areas that require additional staff development

We have also completed the End of Year (EOY) PARCC test at all grade levels. Hopefully we will see the results in a timely manner.

Congratulations to the following students of the month: 6th Grade/ Erik Gottlieb, Grace Donahue, Anna Syler, Shelby Opp, Amanda Stacks, & Alexis Young; 7th Grade/ Nayeli Galvan, Marissa Gebe, Jon Kruswicki, Brandon Todd, & Tyler Houser; 8th Grade/ Dylan Reingardt, Jaden Frantzen, Logan Scalf, Gabby Sanchez, Maddy Leggett, Amanda Reimer, Carter Cech, Ben Powell, & Ryan Budzyn

Mrs. Ford – Herman.E. Dummer

Committees are slowly coming to a close. 4th and 5th grade have developed and adjusted curriculum all year to meet the Common Core, PARCC testing has come and gone, reading and math district committees are getting our curriculum aligned, and data gathering is driving decisions for the start of next year. The Evaluation Committee is finalizing the new evaluation system which will take place in 2016-2017. Our AdvancEd team is gathering data for our school; while the district AdvancEd team is pulling the data together for the district. We will be having our external visit next year.

Our Kindness Campaign is also coming to a close. Third through fifth grade are invited to take part in taking pictures for our Kindness video which is shown at the start of the year. Our Character Counts group is finishing with a party and will be making their final video to be shown on our school's Facebook page and to show the Dummer students at the beginning of next year.

Ms. Greenacre - Lynn G. Haskin

We just finished the PARCC “end of the year” assessment with our 3rd graders. Although it was a new experience for the children, they did a nice job navigating the online assessment. We hope the results are available to us sooner than in the past. One of the things that this has shown us is that we do need to investigate a keyboarding program and teaching keyboarding skills to our students! We also need to provide more opportunities for our students to experience PARCC-based online activities in both reading and math.

We will be having our final Data Day for the school year on May 26th! End of the year AIMSweb and MAP data will be analyzed. We will be looking at interventions and groups, and using this information to begin discussion and planning for next year. Our discussion will include student placement and working on the master schedule, which includes grade level intervention blocks, as well as classroom push-in time for the support teachers.

Our AdvancEd team continues to meet with the district committee to develop a plan for next year’s district accreditation. The committee has been working on gathering evidence of all of the great things we are doing at the building and district levels. The district committee is still trying to determine the direction necessary to complete the district accreditation, in addition to still having to do the same requirements at the building level.

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Our Character Counts/Bucket Filling Committee continue to lead the building in the implementation of the Pillars of Character and the idea of “filling people’s buckets.” During May, we reviewed each pillar on a weekly basis. The students love the discussions of character traits, wearing that trait color on our Friday school spirit days, and the spirit assemblies. We will recognize all of the accomplishments of the students and staff at an end of the year assembly. We had a great year of “Building TeRRiFiCC Character with Haskin Pride!”

Academic / Extra Curricular Programs & Services Progress:

5/20- Brookfield Zoo- 1 st grade	5/21- Stone Mill- 3 rd grade
5/28- Blackberry Farm- Kindergarten	5/28- Pre-K Celebration
5/29- H.O.P. Fun Afternoon	6/4- Track & Field Day
6/4- End of 4 th Quarter	6/4- Report Cards home

HASKIN WALKING CLUB

New to Haskin School this year is The Walking Club. Pictured are the students and the staff that meet every Monday after school and walk until 4:00. For each mile walked, the students earn a "foot" token for their necklace. This is an encouraging way to get the students motivated to reach their walking goals. This program is managed through the P.E. teacher, Mr. Gross. Many staff are taking advantage of this opportunity, too!

KINDERGARTEN

The students in Kindergarten recently designed their own art page to be displayed on the paper bags at Art's Food Market. This artwork will remind shoppers to recycle and to celebrate Earth Day. The Librarian, Mrs. Adrian, conducted the project. Pictured are some of Mrs. Schmitt's kindergarten students with their work of art.

FIRST GRADE

On Friday, April 10th, the first grade classes went to the Paramount Theatre to see “Junie B. Jones”, a musical based on the popular books by Barbara Park. The musical featured excerpts from some of our favorite Junie B. Jones books! All of Junie B.’s friends were included: Sheldon, Lucille, Chenille & Camille, Herb, Mr. Scary and of course May! They sang about getting new glasses in first grade, helping Gladys Gutzman in the cafeteria and the exciting kickball tournament that Junie B. can’t wait to play in, but with a hilarious twist and a surprising half time show that only could happen to Junie B. Jones! The students were a perfect audience and enjoyed seeing Junie B. come to life on stage!

Ms. Stricklin - Prairie View

SIP / Educational Goals / AdvancED Progress:

- AdvancED Goals:
 1. To increase reading fluency.
 2. To increase math fact fluency.
 3. To improve students’ perception that parents and families are encouraged to attend and participate in educational activities.
 4. To initiate a school-wide positive behavior program.

At the most recent district-wide school improvement meeting (April 29th), individual building members shared various artifacts that were collected and uploaded to the shared network drive for Standard 1: Purpose and Direction, Standard 2: Governance and Leadership, and Standard 3: Teaching and Assessing for Learning. By the end of the school year, our goal is to have additional evidence in the shared folder on Standard 4: Resources and Support Systems and Standard 5: Using Results for Continuous Improvement.

- Power Standards/Instructional Objectives/Common Assessments/Common Core Standards:
All teachers continue to build instruction around the district-identified power standards.
- Response to Intervention/Assessment:

The second phase of PARCC (EOY-End of Year) was administered to all third grade students. Spring benchmarking is in process. All K-3 students have taken the MAP (Measure of Academic Progress) or MPG (MAP for Primary Grades). AimsWeb (math and reading fluency) is currently being administered and individual classroom teachers will be giving the fourth quarter common assessments before the end of the year. One final Data Day will be held on Wednesday, May 20th.

Academic / Extra Curricular Programs & Services Progress:

- At an all-school assembly on April 21st, students learned that they not only met their St. Jude Math-a-Thon goal of \$1500, but more than doubled the amount raised for the St. Jude Children’s Hospital by raising **\$3178.45**. Many students also donated the prizes they earned back to St. Jude’s.
- The annual PPA-sponsored Read-a-Thon was held from April 6th through May 1st ending with an award ceremony at the Opera House on May 11th. Ninety-seven percent (97%) of our students participated with ninety-four percent (161 of the 172 students) completing all four stations. After students received their medals, members of the Sandwich High School speech and drama club performed a couple of skits as entertainment.
- Several gallons of ice cream and lots of toppings were served at the first Prairie View Ice Cream Social and Basket Raffle. This event, held on April 30th, brought in over \$3000 to be used for items on our wish list.
- Incoming kindergarten students and their families were invited to Kindergarten Orientation on May 14th. Students and their parents learned about the activities and schedule of the kindergarten program, were introduced to the curriculum and expectations, met the teachers, and were given a tour of the building.

- Congratulations to Mrs. Jenny Clason, second grade teacher, on her successful grant writing. Mrs. Clason was awarded a \$400 literacy grant from Altrusa International of DeKalb County.
- For the second year, all PV students will be given a writing bag filled with activities, crayons, and other fun items to use over the summer. All students who bring back a completed log will be awarded a book.

April has been a busy month in Kindergarten! We are definitely showing that we are ready to move on to first grade! We are growing stronger each day in our reading as well as writing skills. In math, we have shown outstanding abilities in subtraction and addition. We had a visit from the Ladies Auxiliary of Veterans of Foreign Wars who shared information about the significance of the flag. They brought us all a flag and activity book. We also participated in a coloring contest for them and our winners were Madilyn Starsiak (K1) and Jaden Patterson(K2) who received a beautiful hardcover book.

First graders in Mrs. Johnson's class at Prairie View are busy working on their Young Author's ABC Books. They're works of art!

Prairie View 2nd grader Colten Oakes earned Honorable Mention in the DeKalb County Farm Bureau Placemat contest. Colten along with other area winners were recognized on April 16th for their drawing. Students in Miss Callahan's class also earned a ribbon for participation.

The third graders visited the Civil War encampment at Knights Park to commemorate the 150th anniversary of the end of the Civil War. Students gained an understanding of their local history as reenactors performed the duties of members of Company H, 10th Illinois Infantry from Sandwich. Students learned first-hand about the daily life of a Civil War soldier, from cooking meals over an open fire and living out of a tent, to marching in formation and loading gun powder into a musket.

Dr. DeCorte - W.W. Woodbury

SIP / Educational Goals / AdvancED Progress:

1. Students will improve their skills in Language Arts with sub skills of Reading Strategies and Writing.
2. Students will improve their skills in Number Sense.
3. We will increase the number of respondents to our AdvancEd surveys in order to have more family input in the governance of our learning community. We will offer more Common Core Curriculum information to our families to increase their knowledge base.

College Readiness Theme, Daily Fruit Program, FISH, Happiness Advantage, School Pen Pal Program, Expert Project, We are working on veggie garden, flower gardens, growing pumpkins, Great Detective Gardens, Picked new Book for our All School Book for next school year—Charlotte's Web, Still deciding on book for Teacher's Book Club, Walking Club will conclude next week.

AdvancEd team will be focused on working on the building and district level goals. We continue to look at the data and implement interventions to assist all of our students. Staff will also assist with training other staff. Our areas of focus are reading, writing, and math. We will also be gaining a deeper understanding of the Common Core, implementing best teaching practices for critical thinking skills and development of assessments. Our last Community AdvancEd Meeting will be at 11:45 on Tuesday, May 19. We are collecting evidence and artifacts for our District review next year. Putting together a School Improvement binder.

Bilingual Parents Advisory Committee members went to the ISBE Parent Summit on Saturday May 9th.

Map Assessment—all students. AIMS Assessment—all students. PARCC –Third Graders.

Kindergarten Orientation will be Thursday evening May 14—for new kindergarten students already registered for next school year.

Pre-K Screening on Wednesday, May 27

Academic / Extra Curricular Programs & Services Progress:

Walking Club last date will be May 19.

Gardening project continues. Veggie garden being prepared. Flower garden with donated flowers being planted. Pumpkins being transplanted from students seedlings.

Great Garden Detective activities continue.

Lots of field trips the last month of school—2nd grade to Shedd Aquarium, Pre-k to Brookfield Zoo & Hoover, 3rd grade to Naperville Settlement & Stone Mill Museum, Kindergarten to Blackberry Farm.

Kindergarten had their annual Kindergarten Mother's Day Tea

Pen Pal luncheon on Monday May 18.

Annual Cubs Game on the evening on May 13.

Teacher Appreciation celebrated with PPA luncheon and small tokens of appreciation.

Track & Field Day and Fun Afternoon on Friday May 29.

Pre-K Celebration and St.Jude's Trike-a-Thon on Friday May 29.

3rd grade Bike Hike on Tuesday June 2.

Last Day for Pre-K Wednesday June 3.

Newspaper Articles:

The kindergarten students at Woodbury school were so excited to learn all about our flag from the Veterans of Foreign War Women's Auxillary!

The kindergarten students in Mrs. Heinekamp's class at Woodbury School enjoyed presenting their mothers with a special Tea and Spa Day. The children loved spoiling their moms with manicures, pedicures, and special gifts!

Mr. Marquardt – Curriculum Coordinator

We are finishing up a year of curriculum meetings concentrating on alignment to the New Illinois Standards or Common Core Standards. This has been quite an adjustment as we had been aligned to the Illinois Standards. The Common Core Standards have raised the bar as far as the level of difficulty and selection of the core standards in creating Instructional Objectives to meet our Partners 4 Results, Power Standards. In order to do this and make sense of it we have established new pacing guides in English Language Arts and Math. The pacing guides are written for each grade level and broken down into what quarter of the year various objectives are taught and assessed for. To be doing this while shifting our whole thought processes from the former ISAT test to the new PARCC test has provided us with plenty of challenges. We are finalizing the pacing guides and trying to have each grade level in a similar format to place on the District Web site.

The Language Arts committee is also deciding on some new writing instructional materials as we are preparing for the return of writing assessments which we believe will be coming as part of the PARCC assessment. We want to make sure that we are covering the same materials in all three of the elementary

buildings so we are being careful with the pacing guides by grade and the vertical articulation from grade to grade. The committee members have worked tirelessly to complete the guides in a like format. The time and energy spent by the committee members has shown the professional attitude they have toward school improvement. This has been a challenging year adjusting to the new requirements and we feel a great deal of progress is being made. We of course are anxious as every other year to see how we did on the state assessment as well as how we compare to other schools. We are all in the same boat but we of course want to see positive results.

Our homeless student numbers have grown some this year as we had some families displaced due to fire and our numbers were up over last year. We hope the economy and housing situation stabilizes for these families and they can get back on their feet economically.

We will continue as always to watch Springfield to see what changes will be coming with a new Governor and a new State School Superintendent. Whatever happens we will have to be ready to meet the challenges and opportunities. No word on the Monsanto Grant to help with the STEM program. Continue to keep your fingers crossed.

Mrs. Swan-Gravatt - Director of Student Services

As you know, Brecht Data Base Solutions and their “Power” products were adopted at the beginning of the school year. The Power products and exceptional customer service have exceeded our expectations. Although the transition from our previous vendor products to Power products was not always a smooth and seamless process this past school year, it has been worth it! Going forward into next school year, our focus will be focusing on technical IEP writing skills and providing professional development in goal writing to our special education teachers and related service personnel.

Our “Hard to Test” Vision Clinic was scheduled to occur last month; however, it was cancelled due to the lack of participation from our parents to allow for the their children to be screened. Our lack of parental interest and participation in our clinic ended up being a good thing for our neighbors to the west, Somonauk Schools. Their Director of Special Education took advantage of the cancellation and was able to hold the clinic on the same day and time at the Somonauk district. Somonauk picked all costs for vision clinic. Our very cooperative relationship with Somonauk schools benefits both districts. There will be a continued effort in the forthcoming years for both districts to collaborate and share costs when possible for low incidence special education students. This kind of cooperative relationship is a “win win” for both school districts.

Our annual “Timely and Meaningful Consultation” meeting was held for the district on April 27th. No parents of homeschooled students attended. All of our required paperwork has been filed and submitted to ISBE.

The district has not received our yearly “Determination” letter from the ISBE. The letter normally arrives the first week of May. I anticipate that our determination letter will report that our district “meets requirements” in regard to performance indicators. This means that we as a district are in compliance with provisions of IDEA related to provision of special education and related services.

This school year, we branched out and provided our own Adaptive PE services using one of our own PE teachers instead of the contracting with NIA for these services. It has been a huge success and I commend our own Cara Ryan for her very professional and stellar services she has provided our students this school year. All students benefit when we can use our own personnel to provide special education services rather than using an outside provider. Also, using our own school personnel results in cost savings for the district.

We finished conducting interviews for our vacant speech and language pathologist position. We are hopeful we will be able to fill this position and not have to contract with an outside provider to meet our needs.

Mr. Bloemker – Technology Director

This past month continues to be very busy in the Technology Department. From August 11th through February 10th, we have closed 904 documented issues or an average of 27 issues per week. As of this writing, we have 11 open items needing attention including repairs of several devices and a figuring out a couple of complicated and in-depth issues.

PARCC Testing: The EOY PARCC testing has begun & is scheduled to be completed by May 22nd. This testing will be administered the same way using the computers for online testing. We don't expect as many 'bumps' this time since we now have some experience under our belts. However, as luck has it, there is always new & exciting hurdle that need to be jumped. Issues are being dealt with as they come up & testing moves forward.

ERATE: Update – All USAC forms 471 were filed before the deadline. There are certain projects that simply are not covered under the ERATE program any longer & a new phone system and the fiber optic replacement are two of them. So unless grant monies are obtained which is highly unlikely to be available, the district is going to have to shoulder that financial burden. The form 471's that were filed was for the district wireless and infrastructure equipment upgrades. Those forms have not yet been approved by USAC as their status is 'Initial Review' meaning the USAC reviewers are going through the applications to ensure correctness & validity. If the projects are approved, then it will be up to the Board of Education whether to move forward with the project or not as the district will need to shoulder 40% of the cost & USAC will reimburse the other 60%.

So why would the district need the 2 projects no longer funded or reimbursed by ERATE? 1) The current district Nortel phone system is over 15 years old & replacement parts are getting hard to locate. The voice-mail part of the current phone system is no longer compatible with most cellular providers causing parental frustration when they try to leave messages about their children. 2) The fiber optic replacement for the campus schools has been in the ground for over 15 years and cannot be upgraded to any faster link speeds. It is currently max'd out at 1-Gbps using multi-mode fiber optic cable. In order to provide additional speeds, this cable must be replaced with single-mode fiber optic cable. I have received an estimate of \$85,000 and I am currently seeking 2 budget pricing quotes from Frontier and DeKalb Fiber Optics

(DFO). I hope to receive them soon.

Registration: The new Tyler Online Registration module continues to be very successful for parents. There are still a lot of parents who have not registered their children for the next school year. Buildings are planning to use the School-Reach alert system to make calls reminding parents to complete this task as soon as possible.

Summer Plans: Summer help will be notified soon and they will be starting June 1st to begin the cleaning process. I will soon be preparing for the purchase of 3 new servers to replace the District's 3 main servers. I will also gathering pricing for needed supplies and other equipment to complete summer projects.

Some tasks being completed in the near future are completing the filing of ERate form 471 – category 2 projects, planning for summer projects and keeping the district operating at full capacity.

ENTER CLOSED SESSION

Mr. Stahl moved, seconded by Mr. Miller to adjourn to closed session to discuss matters related to the appointment, employment, dismissal, compensation or performance of employees; collective bargaining; student discipline and other matters relating to individual students; litigation; and the setting of price for sale lease of property or whether a particular parcel should be acquired and the selection of a person to fill a public office.

Time: 7:27 p.m.

Ayes: Saitta, Miller, Stahl, & Hamilton. Nays: None
MOTION CARRIED

RE-ENTER REGULAR SESSION

The Board re-entered the Regular Session at 9:16 p.m.

Roll call vote indicated the following: Ayes: Miller, Stahl, Saitta, & Hamilton.

APPROVE CLOSED SESSION MINUTES

Ms. Saitta moved, seconded by Mr. Hamilton to approve the closed session minutes of the special meeting of April 28, 2015 as presented.

Ayes: Miller, Stahl, Saitta, & Hamilton. Nays: None
MOTION CARRIED

REASSIGNMENT/EMPLOYMENT OF PERSONNEL/CONTRACTS

Mr. Stahl moved, seconded by Ms. Saitta to approve the re-assignment of Janai Gregory – SMS STEM, Kat Sgiers – SMS Speech/Drama, Lorine Shook – SMS Health, Beth Volpp –SHS STEM and Tim Gipe – SHS Asst. Principal/Athletic Director, and the employment of Donna Prain – p/t SHS Science, and Gregory Sullivan – Transportation Manager; and salaries as presented for the 2015-2016 school year: Crystal Swan Gravatt - \$102,752; Sherrie Stricklin - \$103,064; Wally Marquardt - \$22,724; Dawn Greenacre - \$100,256; Tom Sodaro - \$118,976; Lynette Ford - \$90,000; Micky Herzog - \$82,784; Tim Gipe - \$90,896; Jim Hicks - \$22,724; Glen Bloemker - \$78,624; Joanne Minter - \$50,835; John Devine - \$68,596; Amy Surprenant – \$67,958; Dan Ford - \$62,140; Cara Killey - 46,020; Cindy Weismiller - \$17/hour; Lynn Menth \$46,956; Greg Sullivan - \$42,000; Lois Sondgeroth - \$51,376; Trevor Kurtz - \$12.50/hour; Substitutes: Secretary, Custodian, Para-Professionals/Bus Aides, Lunch Run - \$10.40/hour; Regular & Special Education Drivers – \$16.81/hour; and substitute teachers - \$105/day.

Ayes: Stahl, Saitta, Miller & Hamilton. Nays: None
MOTION CARRIED

OTHER BUSINESS

It was noted curbing and sidewalk repair will be scheduled this summer on the front drive of the high school, and the city will begin work on Center Street soon. Lions Road work is in planning stages.

ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Stahl moved, seconded by Mr. Miller to adjourn the May 19, 2015 Regular Board Meeting.

Ayes: Miller, Stahl, Saitta & Hamilton. Nays: None
MOTION CARRIED Meeting Adjourned at 9:27 p.m.

President

Secretary