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School Board Meeting Agenda Item

Topic: Student & School Showcase
Presenter(s): School Principals & Staff

Nature of Action Requested by Board

Board action

Board information or scheduled report

Background Information

The purpose of these showcases is to celebrate and highlight the happenings in our schools and district. Each week a member of the Leadership Team will highlight an activity, group or individual from our district.

The showcase for tonight's meeting is the Zooks Project.

Description of the Zooks Project: Each year the Minnesota Zoo chooses an animal within the zoo whose enclosure is in need of updating. This is a STEM design challenge for K-12 students, tasking them with solving real-world zookeeper problems, like designing animal enrichments to improve their enclosure and quality of life. This year, the Minnesota Zoo chose the California Sea Lions as the main focus of the project. Our 4th graders have conducted a large amount of research about the sea lion likes, dislikes, ways of life and more to decide what type of enrichment would be most beneficial for them.

They will share the designs they came up with and created.

Students we are anticipating for attendance (one student from each class):

- Ruby Rohlik from Mrs. Wenstrom's class
- Lincoln Lautner from Mrs. Albers' class
- Remi Glover from Ms. Goettl's class
- Preston Schulz from Mrs. Schneider's class
- Aria Sythongkham from Ms. Buratti's class
- Roland Lund from Mrs. Diercks' class