

INTERIM SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

July 8, 2013

1. Drug Testing: Policy, Implementation Kevin Newsom and Taylor Stephenson

2. Summer Maintenance;

Moving HS principal's Office to New High School, New roof at school auditorium, New Mulch for elementary school playground, paint lockers in Intermediate school, new tiller to till soil in front of school gym & plant grass from seed, new snack bar at school cafeteria, completed cover for large activity bus purchased last year, will rent a road grader and reshape drainage on elementary school playground, remove gravel in some areas in front of elementary school, purchase of one new route bus to replace worn out bus used at Fort Clark Springs, new dishwasher and serving line for school cafeteria, buff all tile floors, re varnish stage in auditorium and both gyms. Mow grounds as needed, fertilize & care for football field, air conditioner checks & updates, maintenance on school buses & vehicles.

3. Staff salaries: as you know, the insurance premiums are going up for staff. We were able to give a step increase, but no raise beyond that. It's our dream, if money holds up, and/or windmill dollars come to the district (lots of questions here), that we give a bonus at Christmas time to help staff with their increases in insurance and cost of living.

Next year, we have the staffing study and many of the recommendations need to be implemented, or salaries

will remain low. I will know more about needs, changing curriculum requirements according to statute, and should be able to make these cuts for the 2014-15 school year.

- 4. Home school question: local resident who is home schooled wants to take a couple of classes at Brackett HS next year--- Spanish & theatre arts. The statutes allow this, and it is up to the district to determine its practices. These parents pay property taxes, and I don't have objections to this practice, but each applicant will be subject to review before approval.**
- 5. School Facilities review committee: I would like to study age, issues and needs of all buildings at BISD. Architect will be available to help facilitate the study.**

Suggest: 2 board members (any volunteers), 2 teachers (1 elementary and 1 secondary), 3 school principals, 2 business representatives, 3 parents, 2 students, 2 Fort Clark Springs representatives, librarian, maintenance director for BISD, business manager and superintendent.

Prefer first meeting to be held in the next couple of weeks.

Your comments: