

**School Board Meeting:**

**May 11, 2009**

**Subject:**

**BCMS Winter Activities Wrap-Up**

**Presenter:**

**John Hayden**

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**SUGGESTED SCHOOL BOARD ACTION:**

None

**DESCRIPTION:**

This years winter activities at BCMS wrapped up in March. The winter saw a large number of students participating in co-curricular sports. Both boys and girls participated in Basketball at different times this winter. Gymnastics has moved to the High School, which leaves wrestling as the only other sport being played at BCMS in the winter.

Girls basketball went first starting in November and wrapping up just after Christmas. 64 athletes joined girl's coaches Jeff Erickson, Andrew Mueller, Troy Holland and Joe Gilmer in the gym. Throughout the season, the girls from Buffalo proved to be very determined and hard working. Both 7th and 8th grade played well enough to win most games, and did win more than they lost. The girls learned a lot about basketball and what it takes to compete at a high level in our conference. This group looks to help the high school build on their highly successful season in the upcoming years.

The boys were second this winter. Starting a week after the girls finished, and finishing up at the end of March. Boy's basketball in our conference is a strong sport at a lot of the schools. The Bison boys again showed that they will be a force in the conference at the high school level for a while. Both grades lost only once, proving to be one of the toughest teams in the conference. Coaches Jeff Erickson, Leroy Erickson, Barry Johnson, and Troy Holland raved about the quality of individuals these teams contained.

The BCMS wrestling team also enjoyed a competitive winter. The number of wrestlers out this year was higher than in past years. Monticello and St. Michael again proved tough, but this year more than in recent years, BCMS held it's own against a tough conference. BCMS hosted the conference meet on the last Saturday of the season. Seven schools brought well over 150 wrestlers to Buffalo for a full day of competition. The meet was run very well with the help of parents

of middle and high school wrestlers, the high school and middle school coaching staffs and high school and middle school wrestlers. In the end the BCMS wrestlers were not as cordial on the mat as they were off the mat. BCMS did very well in many weight classes.

While only three sports were available this winter, many students participated and were kept busy this winter at BCMS. Intramural bowling, weight training, math league, knowledge bowl, speech, drama, chamber choir, and jazz band also kept the building active throughout this winter.

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

BCMS Winter Participation 08-09