

GOVERNING BOARD AGENDA ITEM AMPHITHEATER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 10

DATE OF MEETING: December 6, 2016

TITLE: Recognition of Sandy Schiffman, Renewed National Board Certified Teacher

BACKGROUND:

Sandy Schiffman is receiving the first renewal of her National Board Certification, originally received in 2007. She has recertified under what is referred to as the "old system" which meant her certification was valid for ten years. Three other Amphi teachers – Karyn Vick-Frantziskonis, Patrice Roberts, and Donna Shreve – have also renewed under that system. Mercy Pemberton is currently in the process of renewal this year.

These five current NBCT were required to submit a description of four professional growth experiences, two video tapes demonstrating at least two of the four professional growth experiences along with a written description, and a reflection of the growth made over the years since the certification was originally earned.

There are 11 new candidates completing their certification under the "new system". Three years ago, National Board revised the components, standards and expectations. Our 11 new candidate/teachers have a total of five years in which to complete the new components.

Currently there are 32 National Board Certified teachers in Amphi, including three principals. We are offering a pre-candidacy class starting in January 2017 for teachers who are interested in starting the process. So far, eight have signed up for this class.

RECOMMENDATION:

The administration recommends that the Board recognize Ms. Schiffman for her accomplishments.

INITIATED BY:

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Date: November 30, 2016

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Patrick Nelson, Superintendent