

School Board Report
February 19, 2019
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SB/BB Field Renovations – Bid package was completed and set to the Post Bulletin on February 1, I hosted a Pre-Bid Meeting on February 6, 2pm to discuss any questions or concerns possible bidders may have had, 3 vendors showed up. Looking forward to the bid opening on February 19.

Football Coach Interviews - Took place on Monday, February 10 and Wednesday February 12. We had 15 applicants for the head coach position that completed the application, with 5 starting but not completing the application. We have elected to interview 7, one turned down the interview as we do not have a teaching position available, leaving 6 interview candidates.

Section Football 2019-LaCrescent has elected not to play a Varsity football schedule in 2019 and 2020. District football committee then had 2 options to consider 1) play a “zero week” schedule which would mean Football practice would start on August 5 and leave each team with an open week during the season, but this would guarantee each school an 8 game schedule 2) Keep present schedule, drop LaCrescent from the schedule, leaving a hole in each school’s schedule, that school would have to look elsewhere to find an opponent, most likely Wisconsin as many conferences/districts in Minnesota have an even number of teams and all Iowa schools schedules are completed by their state high school league. Schools may be left with playing only 7 football games in the fall of 2019 and 2020.

6 IEP’s – I was a part of 6 IEP’s since the last school board meeting.

Large Group, Feb. 11 – Topics were Gossip and Courage

Bad weather and cancellations - Due to weather, we had 5 dates cancelled in a two week period, we did participate in one date even though both schools were closed. Very difficult to reschedule, 1 date was non- conference which we elected not to reschedule.

Win Meeting – Meeting was scheduled for February 7, cancelled and rescheduled for Feb 12, discussed the amount of changes we are implementing for the 2019-20 school year, concurrent enrollment, new MS schedule, reading gurus”

Spelling Bee Judge – I along with Tami Rhea and Principal Svobodny were judges for the Dover-Eyota District Spelling Bee on January 16.

DE Dance Invite – Held January 26, 13 schools, 39 routines were performed. This is a very well attended event and it was again this year.

Section WR seedings – February 14, #4 DE vs. #5 Caledonia, at DEHS.

Basketball Seeding Meetings - GBB Feb 16, BBB Feb 23, I am expecting to be hosting section first round games for both boys and girls basketball.

Letters of Intent – We have had 3 more athletes decide to take their skills to the next level, Brady Glynn UW-Stout, Salem Birkholz St. Olaf, Marcus Otomo RCTC.