

Minidoka County School District

Superintendent's Report

June 19, 2017

Correspondence

- We received notification from the Idaho State Department of Education on our **Immunization Rate**. While we have not met all the goals the state has set we are ahead of the state average in every category with a 99.1% compliance rate overall.
- We received a letter from Kathleen Whitlock asking for permission to establish a **Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA)** club at Minico to meet Idaho Career and Technical Education (CTE) guidelines. Ms. Whitlock teaches the equivalent of Home Economics and is asking permission to fundraise \$500 for the year.
- We received a request from Dyann Blood, TLC Principal, to establish an **'Extreme Bedroom Makeover'** program for students in her building. While this would not be a fundraiser it would necessitate asking for donations from the community.

Information/Updates

- **School Resource Officer Interviews** – We were informed that our current SRO will be reassigned. There are two deputies who are interested in the position and we will be interviewing them on Monday the 19th to determine who would be the best fit for our schools.
- **Leadership Premium Proposal** – I made the changes recommended by the committee that were approved by the respective administrators (highlighted). I also added a stipend for each school counselor and 2 new Prep-Provider Coordinator stipends for our certified teachers so they can work with our on-certified prep-providers to ensure similar curricula in those areas across the District. I also added a Statistics column that gives some sense of how the number of stipends compare between buildings based on student population. This is why an additional LP was added for Heyburn Elementary.
- **Negotiations** – The Negotiations Team came to agreement on May 31. See attached Negotiations Report for a complete summary.
- **Food Service Collection Policy Change** – In anticipation of federal mandates we are making a slight change to this policy that was presented as a first reading last month. The change will be the elimination of alternative meals for students who have gone past the number of charges they have. We only had \$44 in uncollected charges in the entire District this year.
- **Minico Hitting Facility Update** – On June 5 an Open House was held with many in attendance and some excellent food consumed. Many thanks to all those who spent so much time in making this dream a reality!
- **Food Service Building Remodel** – We are waiting on final drawings to submit for bids to move forward on this project.
- **Mini-Cassia Chamber Publication** – We did not meet the deadline for this publication, but will plan on being ready for next year.

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Meetings/Activities

- **Staff/Building Visits:**

We have a successful **Admin Retreat** on June 2. During that time we determined that we would keep the District theme of 'You Matter' for next year but focus on it more; we made recommendations for changes to the Continuous Improvement Plan; and began developing a more clear plan for next year's emphasis on our **Priority Focus of Improving Effective Instruction**. We will be meeting again July 31 to continue working on the plan before submitting it to staff for their input when school starts.

- **Committee/Community Meetings:**

- I have an appointment with the **Blain County Superintendent**, GwenCarol Holmes on the 20th of June to discuss our taking over the bus route south of Lake Walcott. In the past they have parked a bus in that area and had a driver pick up six or seven students and deliver them to Acequia Elementary to attend our District. They are seeking to eliminate that route and pay us to pick up those students.
- I attended the **Boys & Girls Clubs of the Magic Valley** board meeting on May 17th along with Kelly Anthon, Rupert City Manager, Craig Swenson, City Council member and Jeff McCurdy, the city finance officer to share with them the preparations the city has made to encourage them to come to the new facility at the old Pershing school location. They were very receptive. I was in attendance because I have indicated that the District would support the effort by providing after school bussing for students to the facility.

Upcoming Events

June 21-23	Ken – Out of office
July 10	Agenda Review - 2 pm
July 11-12	P20 Conference at CSI
July 12	Board Training - 4 - 8 pm
July 13	Facilities Committee Meeting - Noon
July 17	Regular Board Meeting - 5:00 pm Executive Session – 5:45 Work Session Topic: Board Goal Setting, CIP Review