

Minidoka County School District

# Superintendent's Report

## July 17, 2017

### Correspondence

- We received notification from the Special Education Department of the Idaho State Department of Education that we have met their requirements for the year. In fact, we achieved 100% on all categories. My thanks and congratulations to Sherry Bingham, our Special Services Director, her staff and our excellent group of special education teachers who make such a report a reality!

### Information/Updates

- **Employee/Teacher of the Year & Retirement Reception Dates** – Kerri Tibbitts, Board Clerk is proposing that both events be held at the District Service Center. She is also recommending Thursday April 19 for the Employee/Teacher of the Year Reception and Thursday May 17 as the Retirement Reception based on feedback we have received this year. We are looking for input from the Board on these dates.
- **Bullying Report** – We have submitted the attached Bullying Report to the State. I do not however, believe that it is anywhere near accurate. I believe this is the result of many factors relating to our collecting and reporting of bullying information to the State previously. We are taking steps to do a better job of tracking the number of bullying incidents in our schools next year.
- **Idaho Rural Schools Association** – I received a recruitment email to join this group. In checking with Michelle Deluna she indicated that at one time we were members. The cost is \$450 annually. Currently they only have about 30 members and need 40 to be viable. I am looking for input from the Board as to whether you are interested in us joining this group.

### Meetings/Activities

- **Staff/Building Visits:**

I did stop by both our **Migrant Summer School** and our **Regular Summer School** Programs this summer.

- **Committee/Community Meetings:**

I met with Chet Jeppesen, Idaho Department of Labor (IDOL), Amy Christopherson, CSI Burley, and leaders from four different companies who are looking for **diesel technicians** on June 26. I learned that there is a great deal of difference between a mechanic and a technician (one replaces parts the other determines which parts to replace). I also learned that these companies are interested in helping our students learn about these types of careers. We will be meeting again later this month to determine if an apprenticeship with CSI can be developed.

### Upcoming Events

August 14      **Regular Board Meeting** - 5:00 pm Executive Session – 5:45 Work Session Topic: Administrative Concerns & Continuous Improvement Plan