

Administrator's Report

- 1) CESA Jan. PAC Meeting – Presentation was regarding poverty & emphasized how little we know about living in poverty. Many of us at the meeting felt that we lived in poverty as we were growing up but the kind of destitute poverty we see today is more prevalent than 40-50 years ago. Considering that and family conditions puts a different spin on why some students do not get assignments in, etc.
- 2) COPES Training: Sharon & I attended and have been trained. The question is whether the board wants the district to include all evaluations of certified staff in the CESA#6 EE model. Sharon & I think that should be the path to follow but it will include training and an understanding of the process with all Central Office administrators and possibly directors. The regular system only includes teachers and principals. DAPES for superintendents is coming so all could be the same.
- 3) WiRSA (Wisconsin Rural Schools Association): I just received an e-mail from Jerry Fiene advocating for Tom Beebe's request for support of WPEN (Wisconsin Public Education Network), which is the invoice I had previously mentioned that others were also not supporting. Jerry says, "You have received requests for support and financial assistance for the network from Tom Beebe and WAES . I continue to strongly encourage you to support this effort with your involvement as well as some level of financial support. **The work of the network is very supportive to the work of WiRSA.** " Since we are a member of WiRSA and Jerry states that WPEN is supportive of WiRSA... Board members have indicated support for WiRSA... The fee for support for WPEN was stated as \$294.50...
*I am inquiring if you want to pledge that support.
- 4) WPEN Information – I do not plan to attend the meeting.
After Wednesday's grand show before the Assembly Committee on Education -- concerning Assembly Bill 1, the so-called accountability bill – is there any doubt that the Wisconsin Public Education Network (WPEN) can be a force in shaping the future of public education in the state?
WPEN - meeting
-will be held from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.
-Friday, Jan. 30, Pinery Room, Portage County Library, 1001 Main Street, Stevens Point

If anyone plans to attend- email intentions to Tom Beebe. (tbeebe@wisconsinsfuture.org)
- 5) Good news...
 - a. Students had an exciting haircut day.... Glad it was not me! But I guess that it would not have made much difference ☹.
 - b. Our music staff hosts the Little Rivers Music Conference Band and Choir Festival on Feb. 24 from 8:30-4:00.
 - c. Sr. Class – 2015 : What a great model to others by donating a large amount of hard earned fundraising funds to such a worthy cause as St. Jude's Children's Hospital.