

# **Administrative Bulletin to Board Members**

## **April 4, 2014**

### ***Superintendent Report***

#### **High School Renovation**

##### *Plan Con*

Next week we will be making another shift in rooms with the focus being on the home economic room, chemistry room, and the three classrooms on the first floor located underneath the science rooms. It is important to note, to date the general contractor has submitted over 20 different change orders. It is also important to note, to date that you have seen and approved 5 of these change orders. The others have been basically denied by me. We still have one that is ongoing regarding asbestos abatement and does have the possibility of going to arbitration at the completion of the project. The largest change order was for a charge of \$80,000 which dealt with the scaffolding to obtaining access to the auditorium lights. This change order was denied and John has been able to repair all lights so they are presently burning. Additionally, I have also requested that he obtain additional parts in order to do repairs in the future while we are still able to get parts for the lights. I have attached a copy of the construction meeting minutes from March 19, 2014.

#### **Cafeteria Meal Prices**

I will remind the board that your auditor has indicated that cafeteria meal prices need to be addressed because they are far below the allowance provided by the Federal government. Thus, we are in danger of receiving audit exceptions because we are using money from the subsidized lunches to subsidize non eligible students and adult lunches. The auditor indicated that we should consider raising the lunches slightly. With talking to our food service we are looking at the following changes in cafeteria lunch prices:

Elementary Breakfast - .75 (was .60)  
High School Breakfast – 1.00 (same)  
Elementary Lunch – 1.60 (was 1.50)  
High School Lunch – 1.90 (was 1.75)  
Adult Lunch – 3.00 (was 2.50)

The most important will be to insure that the adult lunches will be at the Federal reimbursement rate of \$3.00.

### ***High School Report***

#### **National Honor Society**

The National Honor Society held it induction ceremony on March 31st. Thirteen students were inducted. The ceremony was held in the library, due to the construction/storage situation in the auditorium. Everyone really enjoyed the intimacy of the library as the venue, and we plan to hold it there going forward. On April 4th, the NHS will attend a banquet in McConnellsburg in honor of the NHS chapters from the county. The honor society is planning an Easter celebration with Life Skills, a basket bingo fundraiser, and a spring trip to Washington, DC.

#### **FFA**

On March 15<sup>th</sup>, the Warfordsburg FFA students participated in a bake sale/food fundraiser at Wilkins Farm and Home Supply during the Purina Kickoff event. Throughout the day, students prepared food and served community members as well as general passerby's. Because of the student's willingness to invest in the Purina Kickoff, Purina donated shirts to all participating students and asked for a photo of the students to possibly feature in Purina paraphernalia. Purina also informed the students of their willingness to partner with FFA students by giving students discounts on animal feeds for SAE projects as well as providing workshops and sessions on different species. Picture is below:



### *Elementary Report*

#### **PSSA Testing**

Students in grade 5 are currently working on the 2014 PSSA Writing test. Writing testing will be completed on Tuesday, April 8, 2014 with non-absent students. Testing will occur in April for the 2014-2015 PSSA testing administration for English Language Arts, Mathematics, and Science.

#### **Art Show**

Ms. Cleveland, students, and volunteers are working to prepare for the upcoming art show on April 6, 2014 from 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM. Student artwork will be showcased around the building. Various students will be demonstrating art activities and the PTA will be selling various food items. The Needmore Volunteer Fire Company is also slated to be at the event as well.

#### **PVAAS Roster Verification**

Affected faculty that is teaching grades 4-6 have been verifying student rosters in preparation for data collection as part of the new teacher evaluation system. PVAAS (Pennsylvania Value Added Assessment System) student roster verification system is slated to be opened on April 28, 2014 for teacher and administration to be reviewing student data for the collection of 2013-2014 student PSSA scoring data. This data is collected and is to be used as part of the three year teacher specific reporting data as required in Act 82 of 2012. The 2013-2014 is the first year of this three year data collection cycle. Final review and submission of this data must occur by June 8, 2014 at 11:59 PM.

### *Facilities Manager*

The lighting in the auditoriums suspended ceiling has been repair and working. New wiring for the camera system in the high school has been run, and approximately seven camera locations have been added. We will be relocating two DVRs located in Mrs. Hendershot's office and adding one new DVR to the network rack in the shop area. The DVRs are being relocated to the new network rack locations

where they can be networked and also will be connected to the emergency generator upon power failure. Several of the cameras are not working and will be replaced. I was able to purchase several new cameras from ebay over the year and approximately 5,500 lineal feet of cable has been run. We have completed the rewiring in Room A118. Rooms A118, A117 and the band room should be completed next week. We will be replacing two effluent pumps located in the equalization tank at the elementary sewer treatment plant. The ball fields are ready for play, weather permitting.

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