

**Superintendent Report: July Board Meeting**  
**Submitted on July 13, 2018**

**Administrative work:**

Our team worked together to complete the Program Evaluation Tool, the District Improvement Plan and the Elementary, Middle and HS School Improvement Plans. We incorporated the research and work we did throughout the entire year related to MTSS.

**Athletics:**

We are pleased to announce we have hired Rashonda Schild as our new Varsity Volleyball coach this week. She has previous school and club volleyball experience and enthusiasm to build the program. We are still looking to finalize a cheer coach for fall and will be posting the Varsity Softball position next week.

**Budget Info:**

We have started recording changes for Revision I of the budget based on actual hiring and other changes that we will learn over the next several months, including enrollment numbers. We are currently anticipating more students than was budgeted. We have already enrolled several new students over the past month.

**Communication:**

The Winter/Spring/Summer newsletter was distributed to the community since the last board meeting.

Registration Day will take place on Tuesday, August 21<sup>st</sup>. Packets will start to be distributed next week via pick up at our office.

**Community Outreach/Partnerships:**

Student school board representatives for next year will be Matthew Simmons (fall), Janna Wildermuth (winter) and Erin Mauk (spring).

I continue to work with community members and Miller-Davis to obtain some ivy cuttings and to help with our community garage sale that we will be hosting next week. If you have any bags you could share with us for this event, we would greatly appreciate it!

**Curriculum/Training:**

We sent Jerrod Braman to AP Computer Science training that was provided by code.org and he has shared very positive feedback regarding his experience and the impact this course will have on students and our school.

**Data:**

We have not received any data from M-STEP but we have received some PSAT and SAT data we have started to examine. The scores have not been released in aggregate, so we are only able to look at individual scores.

**Facilities:**

New construction and renovation work continues throughout the entire district. Several areas are getting finishes at this point. The focus is on instructional spaces. The Board will have the chance to tour the project on Monday again. Please let me know if you are not able to attend.

**Personnel Update:**

We are very excited to share that we have hired Andrea Salinas as our new fifth grade teacher. She is already an Aggie parent of a 1<sup>st</sup> grader and she comes to us with 14 years of experience in Grand Ledge. She will be a strong addition to the fifth grade team!

We have also hired Joe Bainbridge as our new middle school social studies teacher. Joe earned his teaching certificate from WMU and taught in Idaho for four years, but has returned to Michigan to be closer to his family. He is also going to help with our football team.

We hired James Finney to teach MS ELA next year. He graduated from Lourdes University in Ohio where he studied ELA and social studies. We look forward to supporting him in his first year of teaching next year.

**Policies:**

We will meet July 23<sup>rd</sup> to review the latest proposed NEOLA policies.

**Safety:**

We continue to work with Miller-Davis to ensure the safety of our staff and students during this summer construction. We have started conversations with Kingscott about developing safety protocols for the new building for the start of school.

**Teaching and Learning:**

We have teachers attending professional development in coding and reading in addition to the previously mentioned AP Computer Science training.

**Technology:**

New technology has started arriving in the district.

**Upcoming Dates of Note:**

August 20- Board Meeting

August 21- Registration Day

August 29- The Board is invited to the Back to School breakfast at 8 AM. Located TBD.

Sept 4- first day of school