



# Key Communicator

## District Newsletter

November 2017

*The Vision and Purpose of Circle USD 375, in partnership with our communities, is to educate each student to be an engaged, knowledgeable, responsible and productive citizen in the 21st Century.*

### Summary of the Board of Education Meetings

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November 13, 2017

“Expand Your  
Potential”

### REGULAR MEETING

#### CALL TO ORDER

President Jared Swilley called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm at Circle Towanda Primary Library. Those present were board members Jared Swilley, Herb Pello, Janet Varner, Anita Mills and Nathan White. Board members Ben Whiteside and Kyle Turner were absent. Others present were Superintendent Don Potter, Assistant Superintendent Michael Janzen, Board Clerk Kari Killman, CTE Principal Terri Turner, CTE Educators Melissa Baumgartel and Kylie Turner, CHS B.E.S.T. Sponsor Matt Hogoboom, CHS B.E.S.T. students Weston Ahles and Hunter Crouch, CTE students Katelyn Paul, Hayden Harrison and Aubrey Martin, and District Patron Kristy Evans.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

#### PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Circle High School B.E.S.T. program shared their robot design in preparation for regional competition next month in Arkansas.

Melissa Baumgartel presented information on enhancing literacy in kindergarten.

Kylie Turner and students demonstrated hands on learning using Google Expedition in the Classroom.

#### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The board approved the agenda with an addendum (D4-Tutoring request).

#### CONSENT AGENDA

The board approved the consent agenda as presented.

#### TREASURERS REPORT

The board approved the treasurer’s report as presented.

#### ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Herb Pello updated the board on the recent Special Education Interlocal 638 meeting.

Mr. Nibarger’s development report was shared with the board.

Principal and Athletic Director reports were shared with the board.

Mr. Potter shared an update of the recent BOE elections and expressed his congratulations to the members elected.

### **SUPERINTENDENTS REPORT**

Mr. Potter shared with the board an update from the November 3rd inservice. The faculty worked diligently and had great in-depth conversations in setting their building goals.

The auditorium lighting at Circle Middle School has been repaired.

It was a consensus of the board to work with George Lay Signs to level the sign at CGE.

An update was provided on the progress of the board goals.

### **BENTON PROPERTY**

The board approved the sale of the Benton property.

### **BENTON ELEMENTARY FLOOR LEVELING**

The board approved the contract from Thrasher to repair classroom floors at Benton Elementary as presented.

### **WATER TOWER**

Information was received back from the City of Towanda on the cost to paint a T-Bird on the water tower. It was the consensus of the board that the cost of installation and maintenance was too high and that those dollars could be better utilized elsewhere.

### **B.E.S.T. TRIP REQUEST**

The board approved out of state travel for the Circle High School B.E.S.T. program to compete at regional competition in Arkansas.

The board approved financial support for the trip with limitations.

### **PERSONNEL**

The board approved the following resignations: Nate McManis, CTE Custodian.

The board approved the following appointments: Alan Dodson, Grounds; Correna McClure, CMS 7th Grade Assistant Girls Basketball; Andrew Smith, CMS 7th Grade Assistant Boys Basketball.

### **INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Mr. Janzen thanked Mrs. Turner and her staff for hosting the meeting and CNEA for providing the dessert.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business before the board, President Jared Swilley declared the meeting adjourned at 7:25 pm.