

USD 326 Board of Education Meeting

Principal's Report

February 10th, 2014

- A.) Personnel Transactions (See list below).
- B.) School Safety Interventions (See narrative below).
- C.) New Initiatives (See narrative below).

A.)

Retirement(s):

Becky Whitney – 5th/6th Language Arts Teacher

Resignation(s):

Emily Blank – First Grade Teacher

Employment:

Jody Sturgeon – K-12 Spanish Teacher

Kellen Adams – Coordinator/Teacher of Driver's Education Program

A motion is required for approval.

B.) **Narrative:** In a continued effort to improve the safety for all students and staff in the district, additional initiatives have been implemented that are geared towards increased prevention. All 7-12th grade students were provided a school-issued padlock for their hallway locker. In addition to this, a safety assembly was held for all 7-12th grade students that allowed for open discussion and direct introduction to drug and weapon paraphernalia. Lastly, a year-long invitation was extended to the private company that owns the canines that are capable of detecting drug and weapon contraband. ***No motion is necessary.***

C.) **Narrative:** Three new initiatives are currently in the early stages of implementation across the district:

1.) GAFE (Google Apps for Education) Both staff and students are now utilizing many different applications within the GAFE suite (Mail, Calendar, Contacts, Drive, Google+, etc.) At this time, applications are being used in various capacities throughout all levels (PreK-12) with additional professional development being scheduled as necessary.

2.) PLC Committee – A committee of teachers has been formed that is tasked with developing a recommendation for the implementation of PLC's (Professional Learning Communities) for the district. At this time, the committee is meeting once each month with the intent of providing a recommendation by the end of the 2013-14 school year.

3.) Vulnerability Assessment – The USD 326 Crisis Response team will begin working through a district-wide assessment of vulnerabilities and problematic

areas. The assessment is provided at no cost through the Kansas Center for Safe and Prepared Schools. Upon successful completion of the assessment, grant money and professional development is available to assist with addressing those area(s) that are found to be in need of remedy.

No motion is necessary.