

FEBRUARY NOTES

4d. Finances look good. We continue to be below last year's general fund expenditures. If you look at the activities budget, you will see that is below last year and we continue to watch and monitor that.

4f. I recommend Karen Kayser-Kemp for our Curriculum and Professional Development Leader. This is our first Teacher Leadership position. I also have some Star mentors to approve: Chad Sweitzer, Francie Crawford, Darryl Kohagen, Jim Cook, Hugh and Carol Mackintosh. The New Hampton District has 20 mentor and mentee matches.

8a. We did the first reading of the chamber policy last month and this will be the second reading. I recommend we approve this.

9a. Representatives from the Chickasaw Booster Club will be here to present on some of their achievements over the last couple of years.

9b. We will have Mr. Kuennen and a couple of people from a couple of other districts to present on the STEM BEST initiative that we are partnering with Charles City, Osage, and Rudd Rockford Marble Rock.

9c. Miss Quass has put together a 5K fundraiser for cross country. I have attached a flyer to the agenda item for your review. She has received approval from the city council for the route she has selected and I've checked with our insurance carrier to make sure we're covered. I recommend we approve this.

9d. Mrs. Edgar would like to take a field trip to see a dramatic production of Anne Frank. This fits in with their curriculum. Mrs. Anderson will have more information. I recommend we approve this.

9e. I will have several summer project bids for your approval. We are looking at finishing the downstairs restrooms in the elementary, painting in the middle school, putting in a drop ceiling in the 3rd floor of the 1939 part of the middle school, putting in new windows in the U of the high school. I will upload any bids I receive this weekend and present what I receive at the board meeting.

9f. We need to approve a request for Allowable Growth for Modified Allowable Growth for Dropout prevention funding. The amount is \$316,466 dollars. This funds our Alternative School and our empowerment positions at each building. Mrs. Bear at the middle school, Mrs. Wickman at the high school, and Ms. Junk at the elementary school.

9g. I will have some information to share on facilities and moving ahead with a building project.

9h. Last month we talked about taking part of our SAVE funds and putting them in a CD at a local bank. I will have some information in how much we can save by paying off

some bonds early. We would make 3% per year by paying off bonds. However, if we're thinking of a building project these funds may be better used by saving it for a project.