

Board President's Report
February 15, 2021

Mr. Wyland noted that due to weather conditions, it was necessary for everyone's safety to move the meeting to the Zoom webinar.

February is Black History Month which is an annual celebration of achievements by Black Americans and a time for recognizing the central role of African Americans in U.S. history. This year the elementary schools partnered with the high school group, Lebo Students for Curriculum Diversity, where older student will read stories to the younger students from Black authors and about Black history. The District strives to celebrate and teach history in a way that affirms the Black community. It is important to examine black literature, art, innovations and customs that have helped shape the culture of the United States and the world.

Mr. Wyland reported that Ms. Jackie Fulton, Markham Elementary librarian, was chose to be a member of the Leadership Institute for School Librarians. The grant for this year focused on Equity, Diversity and Inclusion, and provides professional development, training and strategic planning in EDI. Ms. Fulton was recognized for her work and commitment to providing equitable, diverse and inclusive school library programs for her students. Mr. Wyland congratulated Ms. Fulton on this professional recognition.