

Andover Board of Education Notes
April 10, 2023

Good News: The Board recognized the following students and groups:

- Adam Maki, junior at Andover High School, for winning the 138-pound class at the 5A state wrestling tournament.
- The AHS boys basketball team for winning the 5A state tournament. This was the first title for the team, which is coached by Martin Shetlar.
- Brooke Walker and Eli Shetlar of AHS, who were named to the First Team All-State Basketball Teams by the Kansas Basketball Coaches Association.
- Ten high school instrumentalists for being named to the Kansas Music Educators Association's All-State ensembles. They were
 - Orchestra: Ryan Byun, violin, Andover Central High School; and Sharon Sun and Sophie Thiessen, violin, AHS
 - 1234A Band: Ethan Finney, bassoon; Allyson Hartman, horn; Adelle Norris, clarinet; Delaney O'Neill, clarinet; Kirsten Smart, oboe, Savannah Weidler, clarinet; all ACHS
 - Jazz Band: Ben Schillings, guitar, AHS
- The staff of "The Central Review," the literary magazine of ACHS, for receiving an "excellent" rating in the National Council of Teachers of English's Recognizing Excellence in Art and Literary Magazines (REALM) contest. It was the only magazine in Kansas to be recognized.
- Heard a report on the prom dress drive organized by Mac Evans, a senior at the Andover Center for Advanced Professional Studies. The Board presented the district's first-ever Character Champion award to Mac for her efforts.

Bond Issuance Resolution: Bret Shogren of Stifel, Nicolaus and Company, presented information on the April 6, 2023, sale of general obligation temporary notes as authorized by the Board at its March meeting. Total notes issued were \$3,960,000 at a true interest cost of 3.21% and sold at a premium of \$159,285. After issuance costs, the total proceeds to the district is \$4,043,843.20. These bonds were part of the authorization given by voters in the May 2017 bond election. Issuance of these temporary bonds will not extend the district's current debt schedule or raise the bond and interest mill levy.

Data Dashboard: Jill Lachenmayr, assistant superintendent for academic affairs, presented an update on the [Andover Data Dashboard](#), which tracks key metrics related to the district's accreditation efforts.

Computer instructional materials: Lachenmayr and Traci Holder, director of instruction and intervention, along with teacher leaders, presented proposed instructional materials for the following courses: Computer Applications, Advanced Computer Applications, Web Design, Web Graphics and Animation, and Graphic Design and Publishing. The total cost is approximately \$75,000. The materials will be available for review and will be brought back to the board for consideration in May.

Staff Handbooks: Jeremy Boldra, assistant superintendent for human resources, presented proposed staff handbooks for the 2023-24 school year. [Click here](#) for a summary of proposed changes.

Proposed fees: Sherame Kneisel, chief financial officer, presented proposed student fees for the 2023-24 school year. The proposed fees include a \$5 increase to cover additional supply costs for the following courses: Auto Technology 1 and 2, Metals Technology 1 and 2, Intro to Welding, Intro to

Woodworking, and Furniture and Cabinetry Fabrication. New fees are proposed for the following classes: Geometry in Construction (\$25), Debate (\$20), Competitive Speech and Acting (\$20) and Culinary Applications (\$40). Finally, the district is proposing a change in fee structure for transportation. Per-student fees for students living more than 2.5 miles from their school would decrease from \$275 to \$250 per student, with a maximum assessment of 3 students per family. The Board will consider the fees at its May meeting.

Math instructional materials: The Board approved spending \$215,800 for new high school [mathematics instructional materials](#).

Cornerstone paving: Board members approved spending \$59,318.40 to the City of Andover for the district's portion of the Cornerstone 11th Addition paving project.

Mowing contract: The Board voted to approve a contract for Get It Done Enterprises for mowing services in the district. The total cost was 106,410.12 for services at Prairie Creek Elementary, Sunflower Elementary, Andover High School, Andover Middle School, Andover Central Middle School and Andover Central High School.

Pavement maintenance: Board members approved proposals from Pave the Way for \$100,659 and from Encore Pavement for \$12,770.74 for pavement maintenance at several parking lots across the district.

Superintendent's report: Superintendent Brett White reminded the Board of upcoming Outstanding Service Awards and high school graduations.