



West Plains Schools Board Notes

August 21st, 2012

Pledge of Allegiance- The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Calva Jones the Opaal! Director of Nutrition Services for West Plains Schools. At Opaal's summer retreat held in July, Mrs. Jones was announced as the recipient of the 2011-12 Whatever It Takes award. The "Whatever it Takes" Award is Opaal's highest honor and is presented to an Opaal! Food Management field management or home office employee for outstanding job performance. It recognizes those facets of an employee's character, commitment, and leadership that contribute to making them a valuable asset to Opaal! Food Management. Mrs. Jones also received the Marketing Award for the 2011-12 school year and celebrated her achievement of attaining the President's Circle, a prestigious group of Directors in the Opaal! organization established to recognize demonstrated excellence in managing Opaal's child nutrition program at their school district.

Regular Agenda

Food Service Update-

Calva Jones, Opaal! Food Service Director and Karen Rachert, Opaal!, explained new requirements for food service put in place this year such as foods offered, serving sizes and offer vs. serve.

Preliminary Annual Performance Report -

Dr. Julie Thompson presented a summary of student performance released on the 2012 APR report. She reported that the district met all 14 standards in 2011-12 on the APR. This marks the sixth year in a row that the school district has achieved this recognition.

Capital Improvements Update-

Dr. Mulford indicated that all capital improvement projects around the district should all be complete by mid-September with the exception of the roof replacement for the Administration Building. Completed projects include – Middle School Pavilion; renovations to the West Plains Elementary Library and office; South Fork playground retaining wall; field renovation at high school, replace scoreboard at Zizzer Stadium, seal and stripe asphalt at South Fork, Elementary, Middle and High Schools; minor landscaping at elementary and middle schools; Thornburg campus phase 1- nearing completion; Howell street renovations for ALC; Science Lab updates at high school; parking lot at South Fork.

Resignations – All approved by the board.

Jackie Thornton – Instructional Aide

Orvie Weisbrod – Bus Driver

Mike Young – Middle School Head Custodian

Superintendent Report-

Dr. Czerwonka thanked the custodians for making all the district buildings and grounds look great. He appreciates the efforts made to keep each building looking and functioning at its best.

Dr. Czerwonka made the following remarks regarding the start of the 2012-2013 school year: “I would like to thank all of the faculty and staff for a great start to the new school year. As I make daily visits throughout each building, I continually see evidence of great things happening in the classrooms. The level of classroom engagement and active learning with our teachers and students is very impressive. Our teachers are some of the most professional and caring individuals our students

will ever meet. I am proud to say that our teachers are extremely passionate and hard-working in their efforts to impact student achievement. 'Thanks for all you do for kids!'

Next Regular Meeting

The next board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, September 18th at 5:30pm

School board meetings are held monthly on the third Tuesday of each month at the West Plains Schools Administrative Offices, 613 W. First St., unless otherwise posted.