



West Plains Schools Board Notes

January 15th, 2013

Pledge of Allegiance- The Pledge of the Allegiance was led by Calva Jones, Director of Nutrition Services for Opaa! Mrs. Jones presented the board with the 'District with a Healthy Choice' award. West Plains Schools has demonstrated leadership in helping students learn to make healthy eating and lifestyle choices. Mrs. Jones was also awarded the 2011-2012 Opaa! 'Whatever It Takes' award.

Regular Agenda

Approval of Course Offerings for 2013-2014 –

The school board approved the high school course catalog for the 2013-2014 school year. The course catalog will soon be available to students and parents online at www.zizzers.org

Designate Mrs. Karen Sholes as Foster Liaison –

The board designated Karen Sholes as the Foster Care Liaison for the district. This action is an annual requirement for all school districts.

MSBA Board Recognition –

January 20th – 26th is declared School Board of Education Recognition Week by Governor Jay Nixon. Dr. Czerwonka acknowledged each member with School Board Recognition certificates. In addition, each board member also received special cards and gifts from each building in the district.

Board Member Resignation –

Board member Shawn Rhoads resigned from the West Plains School District Board of Education. Mr. Rhoads was sworn in yesterday to the 97th General Assembly as a Missouri State Representative. Mr. Rhoads is unable to hold two elected offices simultaneously. Mr. Rhoads says, "For the past five years I had the privileged to govern the best school district in the state. The staff that has been assembled is the best in Missouri. To see the staff and their passion for our children is moving. This school is known across the state for the many accomplishments it has made."

Resignations – All approved by the board.

Gary Plowick – High School Foreign Language Instructor

Vasilily Fokin – Interpreter

Dana Reese – Early Childhood Special Education Teacher

Superintendent Report- The superintendent report provides an opportunity for the board of education to be updated on various educational topics and items of interest to West Plains Schools.

West Plains Middle School students are now receiving free breakfast every morning regardless of family income. West Plains Middle School began the program at the beginning of the second semester and has already seen an increase in breakfast participation. The West Plains Middle School is among three of West Plains School district schools to provide free breakfast for its students. The West Plains Elementary and the South Fork Elementary began serving free breakfast for its students last spring.

The employees of Burton Creek Medical Complex recently made a delivery of 193 pairs of shoes to two West Plains School District elementary schools. Every student in the kindergarten classes at West Plains Elementary and the preschool and kindergarten classes at South Fork Elementary all received a brand new pair of shoes just before Christmas break.

Next Regular Meeting

The next board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 19th 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.