

West Plains Schools Board Update October 18, 2016

Pledge of Allegiance - The Pledge of Allegiance was led by FFA Lady Trap Shoot team and the Lady Zizzer Golf team.

The Missouri Youth Sport Shooting Alliance held the 8th annual Fall Classic Shoot on September 10th at the Missouri Trap shooter's Association grounds in Linn Creek, Missouri. The Howell County Ladies team took top honors in the Ladies Division by busting 420 targets out of 500. Team members include three West Plains students: Caitlin Jedlicka-sophomore, Hailey Reid-sophomore, MacKenzie Roberts-sophomore; one Willow Springs FFA student, Jasmine Wood-junior; and one Mt. View-Birch Tree student, Michelle Hoffman-senior. Jedlicka and Reid both shot a perfect round of 25/25. West Plains FFA also placed 2nd in the Men's category with a score of 470 busted targets out of 500. Senior Mason Cook received 3rd high individual in the division, busting 98 of 100 targets. Team members were Garrett Welty-junior, Jake Stewartsophomore, Lane Jett-sophomore, Landon Bunch-senior, and Mason Cook-senior. Cook and Stewart shoot two perfect rounds of 25/25. Welty and Bunch shot one perfect round of 25/25.

The Lady Zizzer Golf team did very well this season with one player, Marisa Butler, advancing to Class 2 state competition in Columbia Country Club on October 10th & 11th.

Approval to Solicit Bids for Buses

Three years ago the district moved toward a lease-purchase model for bus purchases, purchasing a new set of buses every 3 to 4 years on a 5 to 7 year lease agreement. For the 2017-18 school year, the district is scheduled to purchase an additional 5 - 7 school buses. Dr. Smith asked the board for approval to begin the bidding process in November. The board approved the request.

Approval of Track Maintenance -

The board approved the motion to repair the surface of the high school track. The surface will be leveled and recoated. United Sports Systems placed the lowest bid at \$76,800 and they hope to begin the process this fall. If maintenance is not performed to address the current issues, a total surface replacement could be required with an estimated cost of \$250,000 - \$300,000. By addressing the maintenance needs now, the life of the track should be extended for another 8 - 12 years.

Resolution of Intent for FEMA at South Fork Elementary

The board approved a resolution of intent to pursue funds allowing for a FEMA Safer room to be constructed at South Fork Elementary. The safe room will help meet facility needs for the students by providing additional classroom space. The district is still in the application phase of this project.

Hires:

Reese Taylor - Paraprofessional Roy Conchinha – High School Custodian Nichole Harris – Middle School Secretary Brandon Hunt – Paraprofessional Kelsy Temple – High School Secretary

Resignations:

Allison Wilson - Paraprofessional Elisha Moss - Network Office Secretary Marilyn Momper - High School English Teacher Nicki Myers - High School Secretary

The next board meeting is scheduled for November 15th, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. School board meetings are held monthly on the third Tuesday of each month at the West Plains School of Education Office, 305 Valley View Drive, unless otherwise posted.