



## **West Plains Schools Board Update**

May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017

**Pledge of Allegiance** - The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the West Plains High School Speech & Debate team, the FFA Trap team and art students from around the district.

The Zizzer Speech & Debate team went home with the district championship title last March, earning several first place wins.

The West Plains FFA Chapter recently competed in the state trap shoot at Linn Creek. The team of Mason Cook, Landon Bunch, Lane Jett, Garrett Welty, and McGwire Roberts shot 472 out of 500 winning the FFA State Championship title.

Each year student artwork is selected for display at the district Administration Building. The framed artwork is on loan for one year and then returned to the students. The art students were recognized by the board for their creative artwork.

### **Salary Committee Proposal**

The salary committee presented its initial request to the school board for the 2017-18 school year in March. At the April board meeting the board approved the request to remain with MEUHP as the insurance provider and maintain the \$425 monthly board contribution. At the May board meeting the board approved the remainder of the recommendations including full movement to the salary schedule and revamping of hourly salary schedules as of July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017.

### **Preliminary 2017-2018 Budget, 1<sup>st</sup> Read**

The proposed budget was discussed and it was noted that a few changes may need be made as the legislative session came to a close. The budget will be discussed in more detail at the board workshop and adopted at the June 27<sup>th</sup> board meeting.

### **Hires**

Paula Neal – South Fork Reading Specialist  
Corey Porter – High School Study Skills & Asst. Basketball Coach  
Randa Hart – Middle School & High School Health Teacher  
ReBena Sigman – West Plains Elementary Teacher  
Miranda Webber – High School Science Teacher  
Caitlin Woodworth – West Plains Elementary Teacher

### **Resignations**

Courtney McLaughlin – West Plains Elementary Secretary  
Robert Pekarek – Part-Time Transportation Director  
Kevin Smith – High School Social Studies

The next board meeting is scheduled for June 27<sup>th</sup>, 2017 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.*