Andover Board of Education Notes March 10, 2025

Good News: Board members heard from students and teachers about Music and Theatre in our Schools Month. The Board recognized the 20 students who were selected for the Kansas Music Educators Association's All-State Elementary Choir. They were:

Prairie Creek Elementary: Harper Asmann, Rhea Boyer, Dexter Cole, Ellianna Czarnek, Blakely Hewett, Harper Leclercq, Michael Prelle, Hudson Pritchard, Karthika Rekapalli, Adleigh Rinehart, Cooper Shultz, Hadia Sohail and Harini Sundaram

Robert Martin Elementary: Lola Adams, Audrey Beasley, Molly Ericksen and Amira Labidi

Wheatland Elementary: Tess Ellis, Rowen Hughes and Ella Peters

Special Education Funding: April Hilyard, director of the Butler County Special Education Interlocal, provided an update on <u>special education funding</u>.

Middle School Math: Traci Holder, director of instruction and intervention, and Robin Anderson, AMS math teacher, presented <u>proposed new instructional materials</u> for middle school math. A curriculum review committee recommends Big Ideas Math: Modeling Real Life as the new curriculum. Opportunities will be made available for the community to review these materials.

Student Handbooks: Jeremy Boldra, assistant superintendent for human resources, presented <u>student</u> <u>handbooks</u> for the 2025-26 school year. The main changes were adding two new policies and updating wording to match current district policies.

Out-of-District Enrollment: Boldra presented an overview of the <u>out-of-district enrollment process</u> and possible proposals to prepare for the 2025-26 school year.

Staffing Recommendation: The Board voted to approve a <u>staffing recommendation</u> for the 2025-26 school year. The recommendations include a decrease of six elementary school teaching positions through attrition due to a decrease in enrollment. It also includes an increase of a half-time social studies FTE at AMS, a half-time FTE at the secondary level for eCademy, and an English Language Arts teacher at ACHS. Lachenmayr also presented about the Kansas Registered Teacher Apprenticeship Model.

Health Materials: The Board approved <u>several different curriculum resources</u> for secondary health classes.

Bond Projects: The Board approved spending \$65,074.26 to repave five elementary school playgrounds.

Superintendent's Report: Supt. Brett White provided the following updates:

- The Prairie Creek Singers performed at the KMEA In-Service Workshop.
- The AHS play "Clue" will be April 4, 5 and 6.
- The ACHS play "Deadline" will be April 11, 12 and 13.
- The BOE Outstanding Service Awards will be May 5 at ACHS.