



## **Dolores School District RE-4A**

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**Cabinet Meeting 1:30  
School Board Room 9-6-18**

### Supervisor Reports

**Business Department** - Ms. Jones stated that she had completed the audit last week, and is now just trying to catch up with other work.

**Food Service Department** - Mr. Soukup stated that he is determining Free & Reduced eligibilities. The grace period runs through Sept. When the district used to have all students register in Fall it was helpful in collecting F&R applications, because the applications were there with other paperwork for the parents. Now that returning students register online in the spring, no one is getting the F&R app. Mr. Soukup sent emails and made phone calls, and the apps. are slowly coming in; however, he can't reach the number of families that he did during the registration sessions the district used to have. He stated that it's been a struggle this year to get the F&R apps. in and processed. Mr. Soukup will write a blurb for school newsletters. F&R rate is now about 46%, and it will drop once the temporary eligibilities are processed.

**Maintenance / Construction** - Mr. Goad was not in attendance (daughter's wedding).

**Technology Department** - Mr. Baxter stated that he made it through a rough beginning of the year. MAPS testing ties him down, and he hasn't been able to address other projects yet. He will start the Oct Count extract soon. He commented that Chromebooks are an advantage over PC's in terms of time and upkeep. Mrs. Jones said that Mr. Baxter will need to order \$1996 of Chromebooks before the end of the month in order to use up previous years' Title VI money. Mr. Baxter stated that he is behind on buying teacher laptops, due to waiting for Apple updates.

**Transportation Department** - Mr. Funk stated that the start of the year was good because for the first time, he's had a full staff. However, he has now lost a driver so he is driving instead. He had 3 drivers lined up to train, but the third one already has her license, so she will be ready to drive. Mr. Funk will have quotes for a bus soon. He will have automatic chains and retarder added to it. He also stated that three people have picked up plans for the transportation building bid.

**Teddy Bear PreSchool** -Ms. Rosenkrance stated that all the teachers are in trainings for Creative Curriculum. In the past, HeadStart gave the preschool pieces of the curriculum. Mrs. Rosenkrance would like to purchase the entire curriculum. It is used all over the State. Training tomorrow is on classroom management. The Preschool and Infant & Toddlers are full. Ages and Stages Development screening is going on

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now, as well as vision and hearing screening. The Lions club does the vision screening. The first parent meeting will be tonight. Mrs. Rosenkrance reports lots of happy kids!

**Dolores Elementary-** Mr. Livick is in CA to take care of his father. He will be back on Monday.

**Dolores Secondary-** Ms. Huffman was not in attendance, but Mr. Kasper stated that she visited with him and talked about her Success classes. Regarding assessments, students haven't had an incentive to do well. Science Math, ELA - Secondary is addressing students in the lowest quartile. Students are given the opportunity to test out of the classes, and about  $\frac{1}{3}$  are doing so. The Secondary has created a Geography class to take care of the overload.

**Superintendent's Report** -Mr. Kasper stated that he is reviewing and revising policies, such as the Superintendent job description and procurement policy, and he's introducing a curriculum management policy. He stated that he sent out a letter to employees about Deputy Brown, and that he wrote it from the perspective of an educator. He met with the Sheriff and will be meeting with Deputy Green regarding the vulnerabilities of the district. Anna Fietzer and Sheriff will talk to the Board. Mr. Kasper would like to pursue a Best grant to address the safety issues. Our match would be 47% and state would be 53% for any safety project. Mr. Kasper stated that the mill levy that funded the Library and Commons will retire next year. He will recommend to the Board that we seek the Best grant and go for a bond to improve safety. Mr. Kasper shared the assessment data with the cabinet members. Overall, the district rating is accredited with performance and first in the BOCES.