

**PINE VALLEY CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
BOARD NOTES**



Unofficial Minutes of the April 27, 2017 Board of Education quarterly workshop meeting

Workshop meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

PRESENTATIONS TO THE BOARD

- **Family Math Projects – Third Grade** - Christina Lyndsley and Kirsten Lewis (Teachers) and students - Mrs. Lewis' 3rd graders: Cyrus Jackson, Kaitlyn King, Kaylynn Stoll
Mrs. Lyndsley's 3rd graders: Hayden Chase, Dallas Green, Brooke McCoy, Amelia Morey
Mrs. Lyndsley shared that they are incorporating project-based learning pertinent to real life and had a PowerPoint display showing student work. The students spoke about and showed various projects they have completed including: pizza project, popsicle stick houses, zoo map and paper quilts.
- **4th Grade Classroom Culture** – Rose Park (Teacher) and students: Sawyer Bradigan, Freeman Easterly, Madison Ebel, Devan Giambone, Madison Green, Paige Hohl, Madison Mosher
Using personal white boards, Rose and the students demonstrated how they work on math problems with peer tutoring and working collaboratively.
- **Recycling/Composting** – Isaac Habermehl, Agriculture Teacher and FFA Advisor
Isaac reported that he received a \$1,200 compost initiative grant. 26 FFA members and 31 non-FFA students are involved at both the high school and elementary school levels (through Mrs. Wittman's group of 5th & 6th graders). Donations were received from McCormack's Hardware, NEHS Wardware, Chautauqua Brick and IBA in Collins. Six composting collection barrels purchased with three at the elementary school and two at the high school. One will be given away at the spring FFA Banquet. Approximately 100 gallons of waste/week is being collected (majority through the cafeteria) with majority being put on the garden plots.
- **School Health and Wellness Committee (SHAC) – School Gardens Project** -
Jim Weiss, Chairperson with Committee Members Isaac Habermehl and Cindy Snyder
Presented a proposal for expansion of the existing school garden (four raised beds) incorporating dwarf apple trees, row of potatoes, raspberry trellis and four additional raised beds this year. Since there is also a desire for further expansion in the next few years, discussion ensued regarding need to work with Buildings & Grounds and administration for placement and extent of expansion. The question was asked about percentage of student population that is involved and what grade levels. It was noted that students in grades 2, 3 & 4 have curriculum units, and junior-senior high school students in special education, agriculture and home & careers classes participate. Noted that produce that isn't utilized at school via the cafeteria and classes can be harvested and donated to area food pantries. Isaac has also applied for a \$10,000 Tractor Supply Grant to get a 10' x 16' greenhouse and a \$1,000 grant to enhance walking trails behind the school.

Adjourned meeting at 8:15 pm.