

Board of Education Workshop

Monday, May 13, 2024

4:40 PM

Hanover Elementary
274 LaBeaux Ave NE
Hanover, MN 55341

REPORT

Present: Matt Hoffman, Sheila Smude, Bob Sansevere, Sue Lee, Amanda Lawrence,
Melissa Brings

Absent: Adam Bjorklund

1. Presentation: Brad Koltes, Hanover Elementary Principal

Principal Koltes provided an update on the 2023-24 year at HES. All students set an academic goal, reviewed it, revised it and communicated it to their family throughout the year. Created AVID Support Teams which partnered teachers across grade levels and met on early release days to discuss implementation of AVID. Early release days are also used for celebrations such as community support, PTO, character strong monthly themes and outdoor learning experiences.

2. 6-12 Social Studies Curriculum Adoption Proposal

Pam Miller, Director of Teaching and Learning, Kaia Grant and Melissa Johnson

Ten years since last adoption. Reviewed current resources and state standards. Some materials no longer exist. Digital resources were slim ten years ago.

Recommendations are:

7th grade – TCI: History Alive! PreHistory– Industrialism and Industrialism through Modern Times.

8th grade Geography– Houghton-Mifflin Harcourt’s Eastern and Western World Geography

8th Grade US History – TCI’s History Alive! Pursuing American Ideals

8th Grade World Studies – TCI’s History Alive! World Connections

8th Grade Economics - TCI Econ Alive! The Power to Choose

Teachers work to educate students without bias and not share their own beliefs.

Current proposal adoption costs - \$213,955

3. Math Curriculum Adoption Proposal Addendum

Pam Miller, Director of Teaching and Learning

This is an addendum to what was approved last year and covers Trigonometry and Financial Algebra. Next year, the final adoption of stages K-5 Math and Calculus will be proposed.

Recommendations are:

Algebra 3 – Algebra and Trigonometry for College Applications

Financial Algebra – Cengage – Financial Algebra: Advanced Algebra with Financial Applications: 2nd Edition

Proposal adoption cost is \$29,325.

4. Science Curriculum Adoption Proposal Addendum

Pam Miller, Director of Teaching and Learning

This is an addendum focusing on Grade 8 Science, Earth Science and Physics. Next year, the final adoption of K-4 science will complete the adoption cycle.

Recommendations are:

8th Grade Life Science – CK12 Custom Textbook and worksheets

Earth Science – Inspire Earth Science

Physics – Conceptual Physics

CIS Physics – College Physics: A strategic Approach

Proposal adoption cost is \$98,040

5. Winter Activities Review

A. BHS

Nick Guida, BHS Activities Director

Great participation this season with many activities being identified as academic champions. Mock Trial benefits from being able to stream court room scenes. Although not all students can participate in a sport, all can watch and support a sport or activity.

B. BCMS

John Hayden, BCMS Activities Director

Participation has increased across all winter activities. The Middle School play has been a great activity for middle school students. Three high school students asked to mentor the middle school program. Knowledge bowl provides an opportunity for students who may not be in an athletic activity. Intramurals include Art Club, Weight Training and Game Club. Great staff are recruiting students to try activities. Josh Ortmann has implemented a referee training for students which has been very beneficial for us and for the students who can get

hired to officiate. Working through the district procedure regarding middle school students playing up at the high school level.

6. Community Education Budget

Kim Carlson, Director of Community Education

Budget is doing well. Still hard to find aquatics staff. KidKare program is valuable to parents but also has difficulty retaining staff. Projecting that the fund balance will show an increase at the end of this year.

7. Nutrition Services Budget

Kim Hinrichs, Director of Nutrition Services

Student meal counts are on track to serve close to one million meals this year. All schools now have new serving lines with new graphics. Farm to School grant was for \$28,500. Did not receive a grant for this coming year but will still work with these local farm vendors. Also use produce from the FFA garden plot. Still have supply chain disruptions. New school meal standards will be gradually implemented including less sugar, flavored milk will remain, and reduced sodium. Discovery kitchen provides hot meals at the Community Center on Mondays. Summer food program will be located at the middle school this year. A few positions are open.

8. Quarterly Cash and Investment Report

Ryan Tangen, Director of Finance and Operations

Estimated cash and investment balance as of April 30th is \$22,365,766. Cash flow pattern remains consistent. OPEB fund has increased by 30.21% since it was opened in 2009 to a balance of \$13,922,519.

9. Quarterly Financial Update

Miranda Kramer, Controller

Expenditures as a percentage of the budget have decreased slightly. Compared to last year at this time, expenditures have increased \$2.8 million while the budget has increased \$5.6 million.

10. Committee Reports

MH – DCTL

SL – WTC, Safe Schools

AL – AMSD, 877 Foundation

Adjourned at 6:45 pm