





Board Meeting Date – 2/27/02

During Public Participation, Board Members reported on their recent school-related activities. They included attendance at athletic events, Town Board meetings and panel discussions on special education issues. Also, several Board Members reported on reading to Elementary School children as part of the Elementary School Reading Incentive Program earlier that day.

During Public Participation, the Boys' and Girls' Indoor Track team, coached by Carl Comstock, were recognized for recently having been awarded the Section V Championships. Also, Colleen Larson, coached by High School teacher, Diane Luke, was recognized for having been chosen as a participant at the New England's Young Writer's Conference this May. School-to-Work Coordinator, Jeff Van Deusen, and Director of Curriculum, Wendy Feeney, were recognized for having recently been awarded a \$3,000 grant to be used to compile a Bicentennial Edition of a Town Business Directory.

Under the Consent Agenda, classified and certified substitutes were approved, and the resignation of Amy Jones, Middle School Teacher Assistant, was accepted. The following spring coaching positions were approved:

Jeff VanHoover – Varsity Boys Track
Carl Comstock – JV Boys Track
Mary Freischlag – Varsity Girls Track
Kate Taylor – JV Girls Track
Dave Bruinix – Junior High Boys Track
Diane Osborn – Junior High Girls Track
Brian Steurrys – Varsity Baseball
Robert Klinkman – JV Baseball
Bill Mitchell – Junior High Baseball
Dave DeGroote – Varsity Girls Softball
Scott Kingsbury – Girls JV Softball
Harry Halldow – Junior High Softball
Kevin Delehanty – Tennis
Mark Cottrell – Golf

Under reports to the Board, CSE cases were approved and the Building Principal reports were discussed. The Assets survey, which was administered to 6<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> graders this fall, was discussed. This survey measures how many of forty (40) development assets students possess. There is a relationship between the number of assets students report and their risk-taking behaviors. The goal of the Assets Program is to build a community-wide philosophy that values youth. Work on this initiative will continue with the development of a community-wide committee.

A short report on the first week of the School Resource Officer's work and his upcoming activities was also shared.

Under Old Business, the Board engaged in a discussion on the County sales tax. They would like to meet with other Wayne County Board of Education members in April to brainstorm long-term solutions to this issue.

New Business included the awarding of the contracts for the Capital Project. They were awarded as follows:

General Trades – Javen Construction HVAC – Leo J. Roth Corp. Electrical Trades – Connors-Haas Electric, Inc. Technology Trades – Verizon

Work on the Project will begin in March.

Several health policies underwent a first reading in the approval process, and the Board passed a resolution urging State lawmakers to reform the Wicks Law.

Several upcoming meetings were discussed. They include a work session on strategic planning for Wednesday, March 6<sup>th</sup> and a full-day session on strategic planning on March 18<sup>th</sup>. The upcoming Learning Fair and Bicentennial kick-off event, both on March 9<sup>th</sup>, were announced.