

# Woodland Park School District

'Elevate Your Education'



## Board of Education Meeting Highlights

February 15, 2019

### HIGHLIGHTS...

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### Message

Welcome back to our monthly newsletter!

It is our focus to improve communication with our parents and community. Please do not hesitate to leave any feedback you have that would help us reach our goal of improved communication.

We would love to have you come to our next board meeting . The next meeting will be held Wednesday, March 13, at 6:00 p.m. in the large conference room at the District Administration Office located at 155 Panther Way.

Sincerely,  
Woodland Park School District  
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### HIGH SCHOOL STUCO REPORT

- Drive Smart - won their category at the Drive Smart awards ceremony
- Upcoming events:
  - Mr. Panther
  - Elections for the 2019-20 school year
  - Prom



## **HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES/CLUBS/ATHLETICS**

High School Assistant Principal Karen Hamlow updated the Board of Education on the activities, clubs, and athletics happenings:

### Activities and Clubs

- Forensics
  - In the heart of competing to go to State and Nationals
  - Saturday will be competing for the opportunity to go State
  - Will compete on March 1st and 2nd for the chance to go to Nationals
- Knowledge Bowl
  - Going to state competition on March 18th and 19th in Fort Collins
  - Congratulations to junior team members Elizabeth Brink, Greg Pappadakis, and Thad Saylor, as well as senior team members Will Hansher, Toby Mijares, Eric Nijkamp, Cam Vela, and Grayson Watson
- Envirothon
  - 13 students recently spent a Saturday at Mueller State Park to learn about wildlife
  - Next event will concentrate on Technology in Agriculture
  - The hope is to finalize the roster for the 2 teams we will be sending to the state competition April 22-24 in Aurora
- Science Olympiad
  - Getting ready for the southern regional competition at CSU Pueblo on March 2
- Theatre
  - Hosted the Regional One Act Festival on February 8 where 8 schools joined us for one act performances judged by industry professionals from the area
- Yearbook and Journalism
  - the yearbook is nearly complete
  - Panther Perspective is publishing articles every

week and can be found on  
thepantherperspective.com

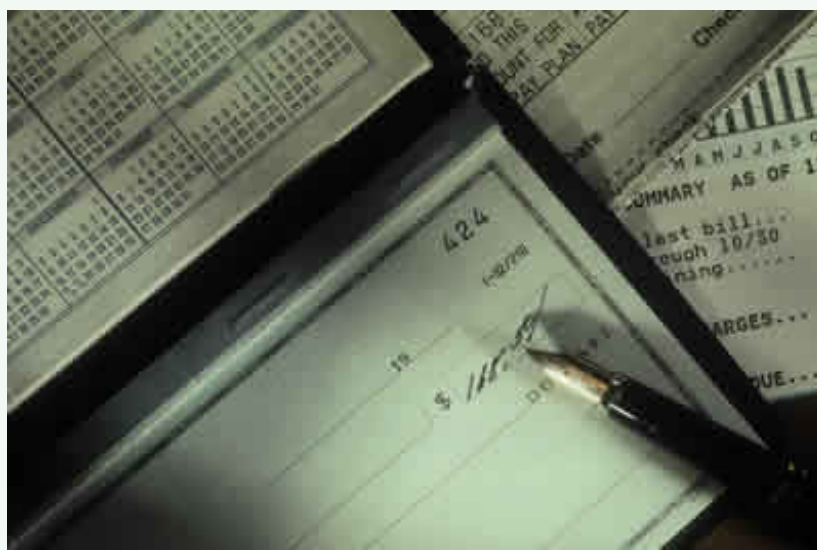
- Weight Lifting
  - The USAW Club has 4-5 dedicated members who plan to compete in the Colorado State Weightlifting Championships held in Windsor in April
- NHS
  - Held their annual blood drive on February 8
  - Spring service project will be to work with the animal shelter in Divide
- Key Club
  - Currently raising money to build a clean water well in Swaziland with a project called Thirsty-Thirsty
  - Getting ready to head to the Rocky Mountain District Convention in late March
- Beta Club
  - Updating their bylaws
  - Preparing for Beta Club week in the first week in March
  - Accepting nominations for next year's officers in March

### Athletics

Winter sports are coming to an end and all 5 of our winter sports have had their Senior Nights. We are very proud of the commitment and effort put forth by our senior class.

- Hockey
  - Won 8 games this season (5 Varsity and 3 JV)
- Girls and Boys Basketball
  - Both close the season Thursday night vs TCA
- Swimming
  - Had an exciting 1st swim season and looking forward to many more years of success
- Wrestling
  - Team travels to Pueblo South this weekend for Regionals and hope to qualify 6-8 wrestlers for State
  - Last weekend finished 4th in the league standing with 3 league champions
    - Brady Hankin (currently ranked #1 in State)
    - Cole Gray (currently ranked #2 in State)
    - Jacob Garner all won the CSML championship for their weight classes

Spring Sports registration is now open and schedules are posted at [csmleague.org](http://csmleague.org).



## **FOUNDATION GRANT PRESENTATION**

Chris Cosgriff of the Woodland Park Re-2 School District Foundation thanked those who turned in their requests for grants and introduced Foundation board members Sheila Silfvenius, Amy Wolin, Cathy Davidson, and Steve Vela. They awarded \$7,523.00 for various projects intended to positively impact students.

Congratulations to the following 2018-19 grant recipients:

### Columbine

- Sara Stone-Dvorak - Alternative Seating \$750.00
- Peggy Wallace/Nicole Melby - Learning Executive Functioning Through Games \$860.00
- Cathy Davidson - Interactive History Experience \$200.00.

### Gateway

- Ashley Lawless - Gateway Preschool Playground - \$1,000.00

### Summit

- Val Brown - Take a Walk on the Sensory Side \$773.04 and Summit Digs Gardening \$990.00

### Gateway/Summit

- Sandy Struble - LEGO WeDo Elementary Level Robotics Program \$949.75

### Middle School

- Elizabeth Barry - Middle School Video Production Program \$1,000.00

### District

- Sean Goings - LED Stop Signs \$1,000.00.

Funds supporting these and other foundation projects come from people in our community interested in enhancing educational opportunities for our students. To date the Foundation has raised and dispersed \$93,930.00 to our schools!

Mrs. Cosgriff announced the next fundraising activity will be the annual dinner at the Swiss Chalet restaurant on Sunday, March 3, 2019 and invitations were distributed to board members.

Mrs. Cosgriff is retiring from this position and was honored for her 14 years of service. Superintendent Woolf presented her with a plaque, gift certificate, and shared a grant has been established in her name and will be awarded each year.

Steve Vela will be taking over this position. Mr. Vela articulated his vision for the future of the Foundation.



## **PUBLIC RELATIONS UPDATE**

Public Relations/Communications/Grant Writing Specialist  
Stacy Schubloom shared:

- New website will launch April 1
- Poster contest for *A Place of Becoming* is underway and judging will take place end of April
- Annual Choice Campaign promotion is completed for this year



## **LEGISLATIVE UPDATE**

Superintendent Woolf shared it is still looking very favorable for funding for full day Kindergarten. Several bills we are watching:

- HB19-1116 Hunter Education Courses
- SB19-049 Statute of Limitation Failure Report Child Abuse
- HB19-1032 Comprehensive Human Sexuality Education
- There are also many bills on Mental Health being considered.

## **WPEA REPORT**

WPEA representative Carol McGill shared they:

- Recently hosted a get-together for members and potential new members to learn about the Association and the benefits of being a member
- Having a t-shirt contest event which will be judged by Patty Woods and Megan DeSmidt
- She will be the PPEA representative at the NEA Leadership Conference in Denver this Spring.



## **SUPERINTENDENT REPORT**

Superintendent Woolf announced our District received a \$335,000 grant from the Colorado Division of Homeland



Security to increase security in all of our schools. Thank you to Stacy Schubloom, Sean Goings, Ron Stone, and Brian Gustafson for their hard work in making this happen.

Reviewed upcoming key dates for the Board to mark on their calendars.

Summit SRO - Superintendent Woolf shared the Teller County Sheriff's Office has signed the MOU to move forward on providing a School Resource Officer at Summit Elementary school. The goal is to have this person in place as we start the 2019-20 school year. The cooperation we have between our WP Police Department, the Sheriff's Department, and the District is something most school districts only dream of.

CHSAA Hall of Fame - Superintendent Woolf shared retiree, Mr. Morton Dickson, is being inducted into the CHSAA Hall of Fame. The ceremony will be held on April 23 in Denver. Board members were invited to attend.

## Upcoming Events

Monday, February 18 - Presidents Day - No School

Tuesday, February 19 - Collaboration Day - No School

## We Value Your Opinion!

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