

## Hermitage R-IV School Board Meeting Feb. 19, 2018

The Hermitage R-IV Board of Education held its monthly meeting on Monday, Feb. 19, 2018. At 6:15 PM, district patrons had the opportunity to discuss next year's school calendar. At 6:30 PM, the regular meeting of the Board of Education was called to order. Junior class sponsor Tracy Lampe and junior class representatives Anna Ginnings and Lindsey Smith presented a proposal for the Junior/Senior Prom to be held on Saturday, April 21, 2018. Principal Krissy Friedman and Assistant Principal Sara Pratt discussed school activities from the previous month as well as activities planned for the next month. Superintendent Ed Vest shared information about the district's bus fleet and discussed health insurance rates for the 2018-2019 school year. Vest also mentioned that many parents responded to a questionnaire that was sent home about the possibility of having late starts during inclement weather and that the results were very positive.

Closed session included the discussion of personnel.

New business included the following: setting the defined contribution for health insurance at \$472.30 per month for full time employees, or \$80 for those that decline health coverage, during the 2018-2019 school year; approving the 2018-2019 school calendar with the school year beginning on August 16, 2018; approving the 2018 audit proposal from KPM CPA's; approving the amended 2017-2018 Junior/Senior Prom proposal; amending the 2017-2018 school calendar by having school on February 19, March 29 and a half day on May 18, with May 17 becoming a full day and the end of the year teacher workday being moved to May 21; declaring a plasma cutter as surplus property to be advertised on govdeals.net; and hiring Sarah Boyer as an aide in the Early Learning Center.

Commendations were issued to:

- Hickory County Child Advocacy Council - donating money to the Backpack Program
- Jill Salmon and many volunteers - helping and donating items for the "Pink Out, Fight Against Cancer" event
- Sara Pratt and elementary student council - preparing spaghetti dinner for the Pink-Out events
- Booster Club members – working the baked good stand and pie auction at the Pink Out events

- High School Student council - successful Homecoming event
- Stephani Hostettler and the high school cheerleaders - coordinating spirit week activities
- Chase Crawford - auctioning the Pink Out pie auction and FFA labor auction
- Matt and Sue Ann Ginnings – providing posters for Senior Night
- Booster Club – organizing Senior Night
- Coach Salmon, Coach Ginnings, Coach Alex Nicholson, Coach Joe Nicholson and the HS Hornet and Lady Hornet basketball teams - sponsoring a middle school basketball league in February
- Referees at the middle school basketball league - donating their time to referee games
- Jaxin Akins, Katie Ginnings, Savannah Bourcier, Taylor Copeland, Weston Piper, Cora Figueroa, Daniel Hill and Grayce Hostettler - receiving recognition from the MO Department of Health and Senior Services for their posters that promoted awareness of radon poisoning
- Hermitage FBLA chapter – placing 5<sup>th</sup> overall out of 23 chapters at the district leadership contest
- Anna Ginnings – being elected District 13 FBLA Secretary for the 2018-2019 school year
- FBLA District Leadership Conference winners that placed first and qualified for state competition: Alex Aubuchon – Journalism; Anna Ginnings – Computer Applications; Sadi Hostettler – Database Design & Applications; Taylor Scott – Insurance & Risk Management
- FBLA District Leadership Conference participants that placed in other events and qualified for state competition: Emily Christian – Accounting I (2<sup>nd</sup>); Leif Griffin – Personal Finance (2<sup>nd</sup>); Abby Irek – Word Processing (2<sup>nd</sup>); Emily Christian, Leif Griffin, and Lindsey Smith – Banking and Financial Systems (2<sup>nd</sup>); Leif Griffin – Accounting II (3<sup>rd</sup>); Taylor Scott – Health Care Administration (4<sup>th</sup>) and Securities & Investments (5<sup>th</sup>); Easton Sabala – Insurance & Risk Management (5<sup>th</sup>)