

**Hermitage R-IV School Board Meeting
January 25, 2018**

The Hermitage R-IV Board of Education held its monthly meeting on Thursday, January 25, 2018, at 6:30 PM in the board room. Principal Krissy Friedman discussed conversations recently held with the West Central Missouri Community Action Agency about the possibility of partnering for Early Childhood services. Mrs. Friedman and Assistant Principal Sara Pratt discussed student activities, and Instructional Coach Shemay Kobe gave an update on district technology as well as instructional advancements in the elementary. Superintendent Ed Vest discussed a budget revision that was mostly due to the SACC grant not being funded. Vest also discussed that Mark Sabala had submitted an application for an “America’s Promise” grant and that Larry Pickering was funding a walking trail and exercise area around the outside of the softball and baseball fields.

The Principal’s evaluation and contract were discussed in closed session.

New business included setting the 2018-2019 calendar hearing fifteen minutes before the start of the Feb. 19 board meeting; extending the contract of Krissy Friedman as principal through the 2020-21 school year; amending the school calendar by attending school on April 3, May 16, and a half day on May 17, with May 15 now being a full day; approving the amended budget; approving MCE policies 1300, 2260 and 2760; deleting MCE policies 1310, 2130, 4810, and 6273; and accepting the resignation of Rebecca Pinckney as an employee of the Early Learning Center.

Commendations were issued to:

- Hermitage Lumber – donating bottled water during the boil water order.
- Mark Sabala – writing the “America’s Promise” grant
- Girls’ basketball team and coaches Shane Salmon and Sue Ann Ginnings – 2nd place in the Lakeland tournament
- Sadi Hostettler - all-tournament team at the Walnut Grove tournament
- Easton Sabala, Faith Sabala, Celia Colin, Lily Hart, Patience White, Jade Morris, Mason Apperson, Aleah Asare, Mitch Bigham, Brittney Kennedy, Zeke Rusk, and Madi Sutt – Academic All-State Cross Country
- Sadi Hostettler – designing the pin that was selected for the State FCCLA emblem
- Taylor Scott, Sadi Hostettler, Abby Irek, and Alex Aubuchon – earning Gold ratings in District FCCLA Star Event competition and advancing to state
- Sarah Boyer – working in the kitchen in a time of need