

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM THE BOARD MEETING ON JANUARY 18, 2016

- 1) High School HVAC Update: NAMI, Automated Logic, and Boldt met with District staff to provide an update on the project with a review of the project plans at 50% completion. The asbestos removal bids for the HVAC project were also reviewed. The asbestos and Simplex project proposals should come to the Board on February 1 for approval. The plan is still to have the heat shut off at the High School on May 1 so that the boiler demolition can begin. We will notify staff, students and parents as soon as the date is firm.
- 2) Facility Plan Update: Bray was at the High School on Monday, January 18, to discuss with the music and physical education staff the specific needs in their areas. The next Community Steering Committee Facility Plan meeting will be held on Thursday, January 28, at 6:30 p.m. at the High School. Baird will provide financial information for the group and the needs and options will be discussed further.
- 3) School Board Election Update: There are 3 seats up for the School Board election on April 5, 2016. The candidates for the seats are Leah Lipska, Jeff Hanna, Curt Johnson, Kimberly Sailor, Clark Aney, and Damon Piscitelli. The candidate forum will be scheduled shortly after second semester begins (January 25) since the class who conducts it will start meeting at that time. I will share the date when it is available.
- 4) The Girls Swim Co-op with Verona was approved for the 2016-17 and 2017-18 school years.
- 5) John Humphries (representative from the Community and Legislative Engagement Committee) shared some current legislative issues with the Board. He also shared some of the general Badger Exam and ACT score information.
  - a. 51% of students were proficient statewide in English/Language Arts. Mount Horeb averaged approximately 64% proficient.
  - b. 44% of students were proficient statewide in Math. Mount Horeb averaged about 58% proficient.
  - c. ACT scores were lower this year than previously since almost all juniors were required to take the test. In prior years, the test was usually taken by college-bound students. The statewide average for English/Language Arts was 19.3 and Mount Horeb was 20.4. The statewide average for math was 20.0 and Mount Horeb was 22.6.