This information includes highlights of information from the Northwest School District Board of Education at the December 21, 2017 meeting. All supporting documentation is available in the final agenda binder located on the website calendar meeting event. This is an unofficial record. Official minutes of each Board meeting are brought for Board approval during the next regular Board meeting. Approved minutes are posted on the website after the Board approves them. Official minutes are available for viewing at the Central Office after signatures are obtained.

PRESIDENT REMARKS

Board Vice President Gary Bonacker noted Walmart awarded Murphy Elementary fifth grader Isiah Guinn $50 to help pay for toiletries and snacks for Veterans during their service day. Maple Grove Elementary opened their doors again this year for Leader Day. The Northwest Robotics team took 1st place in the Kirkwood Robotics Tournament. High Ridge Elementary students collect 875 food items for their food drive. Valley Middle School Custodian Sandy Hamblin was featured in a Channel 4 News story. Northwest High School students met with Southwest Missouri State University President Carlos Vargas-Aburto to learn about what college life is like. Congratulations to all the students who participated in the Fall Musical “Little Shop of Horrors”. The District distributed the Northwest News in the West Side Leader. This newsletter featured the great things happening in our schools as well as community. The nomination process for the annual District Awards program is open. The window to nominate Northwest staff and community closes on January 5, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. The Northwest Jefferson County Chamber of Commerce is partnering with Northwest Schools in hosting the Harlem Wizards January 14, 2018 at Northwest High School. Anyone interested in running for Northwest’s Board of Education can file until January 16, 2018, except when the District is closed.

PRESENTATIONS

- Maple Grove Elementary recognized Alysha McGuirk for her dedication.
- Maple Grove Elementary recognized the Jefferson Foundation as a community partner.
- SSM Health St. Clare Hospital was recognized as a community partner.
- Sunnyhill, Inc. received this month’s Northwest Way employee donations totaling $2,200.

ACTION ITEMS

- General Obligation Bonds Ballot Language for April 3, 2018 Election
- Stifel Nicolaus as the District’s Financial Underwriter
- 2016-2017 Special Education Program Evaluation
- 2018 Summer School Program and Curriculum

INFORMATION ITEMS

- The Board of Education received an executive summary of the Listening Tour.
- The annual Worker’s Compensation Report was presented.
- First Reading of Policy 0430 (Meetings – Executive Session)

UPCOMING MEETING

The next regular Board of Education meeting will be January 18, 2018. Open session begins no earlier than 7:00 p.m. A closed executive session begins at 6:00 p.m.

Tentative Agenda Items include:

- Guidance and Counseling Program Evaluation
- District Recognition Night