

# Key Communicator



**Sargent Schools**

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# BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

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## Demolition Project Bids

After considering bids submitted for demolition of the old high school building in January, the board received additional information and further discussed and considered the project and bids. The low bid (\$96,250) from RMS Utilities was approved.

## Employment

The Superintendent's 2011-12 contract was approved with the same salary as the current contract, \$85,260. Approval was given for employment of Substitute Teacher, Kevin Chiaravalle and Substitute Custodian, Arnell McClellan. In addition Extra Duty Pay Agreements for the following positions were approved: Justin Fricke, Junior High Knowledge Bowl Sponsor, Trent VanBibber, Junior High Assistant Wrestling Coach, Josh Lowder, HS Assistant Track Coach, Trevan Pepper, HS Head Football Coach, Greg Curtis and Michael Curtis, HS Assistant Football Coaches, Jeff Hacs, Junior High Head Football Coach and Damian Downing, Junior High Assistant Football Coach. The Board also accepted a resignation from Cheer Coach, Lori Hathaway. Their appreciation for Mrs. Hathaway's service to the district was expressed as the success of the program she has sponsored was noted.

## Requisitions

Requisitions were approved for purchase of computer software from Learning Enhancement Corporation, \$2,573 and for science equipment and supplies from Frey Scientific, \$3,056.08. These purchases were made with REAP funds.

## Board Resolution

The board considered a resolution to spend a portion of the fund balance to pay the total amount due to the Colorado Department of Education for the 5-year audit conducted last year. The final decision was to opt to pay the \$60,444 over three years, interest free instead of in one lump sum.

## Policy Revisions

The board reviewed and approved policies with revisions and updates recommended by CASB. The policies reviewed are a portion of the packet recommended for review; additional revisions will be considered at a future meeting. All board policies are available on the board page of the district's website. (Revisions will be updated soon!)

## Other Items

The board received a resignation from Facilities Committee Chairman, Mike Mitchell; Mr. Mitchell also served on the design team for the building project. His countless hours of service provided valuable insight, and are very much appreciated. Financial reports for January, including the cash flow report were reviewed and approved and minutes of the previous meeting were approved. An out-of-district student enrollment request was denied and another was tabled for additional application information.

## Reports

Superintendent, Lauren Sheldrake provided preliminary information on anticipated funding reductions for the coming year; community/staff forums will be held on March 9<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. and March 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. to provide information and receive input. An update on the recent district basketball tournament was given; the tournament was hosted by Sargent and Mrs. Sheldrake commended both Activities Director, Joe Garcia for work on organizing the tournament and the Sargent Booster Club for their contributions and hard work.

## Next Meeting:

The next regular meeting of the board will be March 28, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. In addition, a work session was scheduled for April 13 for budget planning and discussion.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 <i>3rd/4th gr. Ski day Matinee performance The Foreigner, 12:45</i>	3	4 <i>Regional Basketball</i>	5 <i>JH Wrestling @ Centauri</i>  <i>Square dance</i>  7:00 p.m.
6	7 <i>DAC meeting , 6:30</i>	8 <i>K-2 Music Program, auditorium- 6:30 pm</i>	9 <i>Sargent Educational Foundation meeting, 7 pm, HS library</i>	10 <i>End of 3rd Qtr.</i>  <i>State Basketball @ Pueblo</i>	11 <i>Teacher Work Day — No Classes</i>	12 <i>JH Wrestling @ Mtn. Valley</i>
13 <i>Daylight Saving Time Begins</i>	14	15	16	17	18	19 <i>JH Wrestling @ Sierra Grande</i>
20 <i>Square Dance</i>  <i>Spring Begins</i>	21  <i>K-2 Swim Lessons</i>	22 <i>Baseball Cotopaxi at home</i>	23	24	25 <i>JH Wrestling @ Monte Vista</i> <i>K-2 Swim lessons</i>	26 <i>Track at Center</i>
27 <i>JH Regional Wres- tling- Alamosa</i>	28 <i>Board of Ed meeting</i>  <i>K-2 Swim Lessons</i>	29 <i>Baseball at Centauri</i>	30	31		

\* Dates and times are subject to change — please check for updates!