

Warwick School District

Lititz, PA 17543

February 20, 2018

A meeting of the Warwick Board of School Directors of the Warwick School District convened in the District Board room on Tuesday, February 20, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

Mr. Michael Landis, President, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

The Board Secretary called the roll of the Board: Michael R. Landis, Matthew Knouse, Leslie Penkunas, Nelson L. Peters, Todd L. Rucci, Benedict R. Sahd, Scott A. Shaub, and Debra J. Wenger, were present. Millard P. Eppig, Jr. and Paige Bogda, Student Representative, were absent.

Others attending the meeting: Dr. April Hershey, Superintendent; Dr. Melanie Calender, Assistant Superintendent; Dr. Ryan Axe; Nathan Wertsch; Mark Leidich; Fred Griffiths; Dr. Ron Hallett; Jackie Yanchocik; Dr. Ryan Berardi; Stacie Bardell; K.C. Testerman; Janice Boyer; Laura Knowles of Lancaster Newspapers/Lititz Record Express; Judi Brinkman; Kendra Pinkosky; Lori Kovac; Beth Kefer; Ken Phillips; Rhonda Lord; and Curtis Holgate.

RECOGNITION OF CITIZENS

None.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Mrs. Wenger moved, Mr. Peters seconded, the motion to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed 8-0.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES ([Regular meeting](#) of January 23, 2018)

Mr. Peters moved, Mrs. Wenger seconded, the motion to approve the minutes of the Regular meeting of January 23, 2018.

Motion passed 8-0.

TREASURER’S REPORT

Mr. Wertsch presented the Treasurer’s Report. A copy of the report is attached to these minutes. The Treasurer’s Report was accepted 8-0 by the Board.

PAYMENT OF BILLS

The following bills were presented for payment by Mr. Wertsch. A copy of the bills with wire transfer information is attached to these minutes.

General Fund	\$1,436,317.09
Wire Transfers	\$2,031,704.96
Construction Fund	None
Cafeteria Fund	\$130,708.25
Middle School Fund	\$240.00
High School Fund	\$3,584.76

Mr. Peters moved, Mr. Sahd seconded, the motion to approve payment of the bills as presented.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Knouse, Mrs. Penkunas, Mr. Peters, Mr. Rucci, Mr. Sahd, Mr. Shaub, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None
Absent: Mr. Eppig

COMMUNICATIONS

Dr. Hershey shared that Board members received invitations to the Warwick Education Foundation Gala, which will be held on April 7, 2018 at Rock Lititz Pod 2.

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

1. PERSONNEL

A. Retirements

It was recommended that the Board approve the retirement of the following individuals:

Instructional

Kendra Shade as a Business Education Teacher at Warwick Middle School, effective at the end of the 2017/2018 school year.

Judith Pfeiffer as a Grade 6 Teacher at John R. Bonfield Elementary School, effective at the end of the 2017/2018 school year.

Mary Lou Nelson as a Learning Support Teacher at Lititz Elementary School, effective at the end of the 2017/2018 school year.

Non-Instructional

Janice Haldeman as Food Services Manager at Warwick High School, effective August 31, 2018.

Mrs. Wenger moved, Mr. Peters seconded, the motion to approve the retirement of the individuals named above.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Knouse, Mrs. Penkunas, Mr. Peters,
Mr. Rucci, Mr. Sahd, Mr. Shaub, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Eppig

B. Resignations

It was recommended that the Board approve the resignation of the following individuals:

Non-Instructional

Denise Frescatore as a Food & Nutrition Services Assistant at Warwick High School, effective January 12, 2018.

Adrienne Butts as a Student Support Assistant at John R. Bonfield Elementary School, effective February 2, 2018.

Beth Wolfe as a Food & Nutrition Services Assistant at Kissel Hill Elementary School, effective March 9, 2018.

Mr. Peters moved, Mrs. Wenger seconded, the motion to approve the resignation of the individuals named above.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Knouse, Mrs. Penkunas, Mr. Peters,
Mr. Rucci, Mr. Sahd, Mr. Shaub, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None
Nays: None
Absent: Mr. Eppig

C. Elections

It was recommended that the Board approve the election of the following individuals subject to all pre-employment requirements and clearance checks:

Instructional

Beth Kefer as Elementary Librarian at Kissel Hill Elementary School, at the annual salary of \$50,364.00, effective February 21, 2018. Ms. Kefer is replacing Jaynie Korzi who resigned.

Non-Instructional

Nathaniel Moyer as a Maintenance Specialist at Warwick School District, 8.0 hours/day, at the hourly rate of \$20.00, effective pending receipt of the appropriate paperwork. Mr. Moyer is replacing Kurt Shriener who resigned.

Michelle Salmi as a Secretary at Warwick High School, 8.0 hours/day, at the hourly rate of \$12.95, effective pending receipt of the appropriate paperwork. Ms. Salmi is replacing Melanie Lomax who resigned.

Karen Fogarty as a Student Support Assistant at Warwick Middle School, 5.5 hours/day, at the hourly rate of \$11.40, effective pending receipt of the appropriate paperwork. Ms. Fogarty is replacing Gretchen Conrad who resigned.

Nancy Pagano as a Food & Nutrition Services Assistant at Warwick Middle School, 3.0 hours/day, at the hourly rate of \$9.75, effective February 21, 2018, pending receipt of the appropriate paperwork. Ms. Pagano is replacing Deborah Morris who received a change of status.

Sharlene Striebich as a Special Programs Assistant at John Beck Elementary School, 5.5 hours/day, at the hourly rate of \$14.20, effective pending receipt of the appropriate paperwork. Ms. Striebich is replacing Alissa Weinstein who resigned.

Faye Zechman as a Student Support Assistant at John Beck Elementary School, 5.5 hours/day, at the hourly rate of \$11.70, effective February 21, 2018, pending receipt of the appropriate paperwork. Ms. Zechman is replacing Claudette Steele who resigned.

Jennifer Clemons as a Food & Nutrition Services Assistant at John R. Bonfield Elementary School, 3.0 hours/day, at the hourly rate of \$10.00, effective February 21, 2018, pending receipt of the appropriate paperwork. Ms. Clemons is replacing Monica Gennace who received a change of status.

Susan Cardwell as a Student Support Assistant at John R. Bonfield Elementary School, 5.5 hours/day, at the hourly rate of \$11.65, effective February 21, 2018, pending receipt of the appropriate paperwork. Ms. Cardwell is replacing Adrienne Butts who resigned.

Joan Donofrio as a Food & Nutrition Services Assistant at Kissel Hill Elementary School, 3.0 hours/day, at the hourly rate of \$9.75, effective February 21, 2018, pending receipt of the appropriate paperwork. Ms. Donofrio is replacing Beth Wolfe who resigned.

John Horvath as a Building Services employee at Kissel Hill Elementary School, 4.0 hours/day, at the hourly rate of \$11.95, effective pending receipt of the appropriate paperwork. Mr. Horvath is replacing Krista Wagner who resigned.

Extra-Duty/Extra Curricular

Dr. Sara Gotwalt, DMD, as a Dentist at Warwick School District, at the rate of \$3.40 per exam, effective pending receipt of the appropriate paperwork. Dr. Gotwalt is being contracted for dental services for Warwick School District.

Jody Mateyak as an Assistant Jr. High Track Coach at Warwick Middle School, at the annual salary of \$2,401.00, effective for the 2017/2018 school year. Mrs. Mateyak is replacing Andy Smith who resigned.

In-House Substitute Teachers

It was recommended that the Board approve the election of the individual named below, effective February 20, 2018, until she submits her resignation or has her active status changed by the district.

In-House Substitute - Addition

Ashley Stauffer

Independent Volunteers

It was recommended that the Board approve the election of the individuals listed below as independent volunteers, effective February 21, 2018, until they submit their resignations or have their active status changed by the district.

Jonathan Bender	David Bosis	Dana Hagemeyer	Sue Newberry
Mary Quinones	Grace Reiff	Jennifer Schnabel	Nicole Sheaffer
Hannah Thompson	Jason Yon		

Volunteer Coaches

It was recommended that the Board approve the election of the individuals listed below as volunteer coaches, effective for the 2017/2018 school year, until they submit their resignation or have their active status changed by the district.

Tom Devenney	Ryan Gajewski	Janine Graybill	Austen Lambert
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District Approved Photographer

It was recommended that the Board approve the election of the individual listed below as a district approved photographer, effective for the 2017/2018 school year, pending receipt of the appropriate paperwork, until she submits her resignation or has her active status changed by the district.

Rebecca Resnick

Mr. Rucci moved, Mrs. Wenger seconded, the motion to approve the election of the individuals named above.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Knouse, Mrs. Penkunas, Mr. Peters,
Mr. Rucci, Mr. Sahd, Mr. Shaub, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Eppig

Ms. Kefer thanked the Board for the opportunity to work with the students at Warwick and specifically at Kissel Hill Elementary.

2. **LEAVE OF ABSENCE REQUEST**

It was recommended that the Board approve the following leave of absence request:

Instructional

Angela Dymond is requesting an extension to her previously approved Child Rearing Leave, to begin January 29, 2018, and to continue through the end of the third marking period of the 2017/2018 school year. Mrs. Dymond is anticipating her return to work date as the first day of the fourth marking period of the 2017/2018 school year.

Mrs. Wenger moved, Mr. Peters seconded, the motion to approve the leave of absence request of the individual as presented.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Knouse, Mrs. Penkunas, Mr. Peters,
Mr. Rucci, Mr. Sahd, Mr. Shaub, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Eppig

3. BOARD POLICY REVISION – FIRST READING

It was recommended that the Board approve, as a first reading, the following policy revision to Policy 610, per [ATTACHMENT #1](#).

Mr. Rucci moved, Mrs. Wenger seconded, the motion to approve, as a first reading, the policy revision, as presented.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Knouse, Mrs. Penkunas, Mr. Peters,
Mr. Rucci, Mr. Sahd, Mr. Shaub, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Eppig

4. BOARD POLICY REVISIONS – SECOND READING

It was recommended that the Board approve, as a second reading, the following policy revisions and retirement of Policy 248 and Policy 348, per [ATTACHMENT #2](#) (Policies: 302, 311 and 808).

Mrs. Wenger moved, Mr. Rucci seconded, the motion to approve, as a second reading, the policy revisions and policy retirements, as presented.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Knouse, Mrs. Penkunas, Mr. Peters,
Mr. Rucci, Mr. Sahd, Mr. Shaub, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Eppig

Information from the Superintendent

Dr. Hershey shared with the Board the following:

- The elementary schools wrapped up their One School, One Book program recently. WEF provided a book to each student.
- Future City students recently competed in the national level. The Team did not place this year, but received the Best Futuristic Technologies Award.
- A Talent Show will be held on February 24th in the WHS Performing Arts Center. The proceeds from this show benefit THON.
- Congratulations to our winter sports athletes. Congratulations to Girls Swimming for winning the Lancaster-Lebanon League Championship recently. Also congratulations to those individuals and teams who will be competing in districts.
- There are lots of things going on in the district. Be sure to check the calendar for events and times.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Student Representative

The student representative, Miss Paige Bogda, provided an overview of student activities across the district at the Education Committee and Student Activities Committee meetings in February. A copy of the Student Representative Report is attached to these Minutes.

Building and Property Committee

The Building & Property Committee met on February 12, 2018. The committee completed its review of the 2018-19 non-repetitive budget requests, addressed Middle School safety concerns, discussed a press box proposal for softball, and reviewed a cell tower request. The committee did not have any recommendations for the Board at this time.

Education Committee

The Education Committee met on Monday, February 12, 2018. Mrs. Bardell and Ms. Bonfield presented information about Summer Academy from 2017. Mrs. Szobocsan and Dr. Calender reviewed the Teen Hope Screening in grades 7 and 10 from the fall. Mr. McClain presented information on an update to Earth Science. Dr. Hallett presented an update to AP Computer Science A. Mr. Felty, Miss Grubb, Mrs. Vulopas, Ms. Bonfield and Dr. Murphy provided an update on the Elementary Report Card. Mrs. Noon, Mrs. Vulopas and Mrs. Steinour provided an overview of the Multi-syllabic Word Routine. And, Mrs. Juliet Ashton presented information on new programs for next school year, including Autistic Support and Multiple Disabilities Support. Finally, Miss Paige Bogda provided an overview of programs throughout the district. The Committee had the following recommendations for the Board:

1. It was recommended that the board approve the update to the Earth Science units of study to reflect the addition of two units and that it be offered predominantly as a ninth grade course. This modified course would serve the needs of our struggling science learners by better preparing them for Biology in Grade 10.

Mrs. Wenger moved, Mrs. Penkunas seconded, the motion to approve the update to the Earth Science units of study, as presented.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Knouse, Mrs. Penkunas, Mr. Peters,
Mr. Rucci, Mr. Sahd, Mr. Shaub, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Eppig

2. It was recommended that the board approve the update to the AP Computer Science A units of study by replacing one unit at the end of the course. This new unit does not affect the AP program, but would provide the student an opportunity to receive a total of 8 credits from Harrisburg University.

Mrs. Wenger moved, Mrs. Penkunas seconded, the motion to approve the update to the AP Computer Science A units of study, as presented.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Knouse, Mrs. Penkunas, Mr. Peters,
Mr. Rucci, Mr. Sahd, Mr. Shaub, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Eppig

3. It was recommended that the board approve the expansion of the elementary Summer Academy to include grade 3.

Mrs. Wenger moved, Mrs. Penkunas seconded, the motion to approve the expansion of the elementary Summer Academy, as presented.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Knouse, Mrs. Penkunas, Mr. Peters,
Mr. Rucci, Mr. Sahd, Mr. Shaub, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Eppig

4. It was recommended that the board approve a teacher-only pilot for the Elementary Report Card Committee to continue the exploration of an updated report card for grades K-6.

Mrs. Wenger moved, Mrs. Penkunas seconded, the motion to approve a teacher-only pilot for the Elementary Report Card Committee to continue the exploration of an updated report card, as presented.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Knouse, Mrs. Penkunas, Mr. Peters,
Mr. Rucci, Mr. Sahd, Mr. Shaub, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Eppig

5. It was recommended that the board approve the Multi-syllabic Word Routine for all students in grades 2-6 as an addition to the approved English/Language Arts curriculum.

Mrs. Wenger moved, Mrs. Penkunas seconded, the motion to approve the addition of the Multi-syllabic Word Routine, as presented.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Knouse, Mrs. Penkunas, Mr. Peters,
Mr. Rucci, Mr. Sahd, Mr. Shaub, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Eppig

6. It was recommended that the board approve the opening of an Autistic Support program in grades K-8.

Mrs. Wenger moved, Mrs. Penkunas seconded, the motion to approve the opening of an Autistic Support program, as presented.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Knouse, Mrs. Penkunas, Mr. Peters,
Mr. Rucci, Mr. Sahd, Mr. Shaub, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Eppig

7. It was recommended that the board approval the opening of a Multiple Disabilities program in grades 7-12.

Mrs. Wenger moved, Mrs. Penkunas seconded, the motion to approve the opening of a Multiple Disabilities program, as presented.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Knouse, Mrs. Penkunas, Mr. Peters,
Mr. Rucci, Mr. Sahd, Mr. Shaub, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Eppig

In reference to items 6 & 7 above, Mrs. Penkunas noted that bringing these programs back into the district should save approximately \$250,000.00.

Finance and Legal Committee

The Finance & Legal Committee met on February 6, 2018. Ken Phillips from RBC Capital Markets provided a debt service review and discussed a possible refinancing of the 2013 bonds, Mr. Wertsch reviewed the current fund balance commitments and capital reserve fund, and the committee then reviewed 2017-18 budget transfers. The committee had the following recommendations for Board approval:

1. It was recommended that the board approve the 2018 Bond Authorizing resolution as presented on [ATTACHMENT #3](#).

Mr. Peters moved, Mrs. Wenger seconded, the motion to approve the 2018 Bond Authorizing resolution, as presented.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Knouse, Mrs. Penkunas, Mr. Peters,
Mr. Rucci, Mr. Sahd, Mr. Shaub, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Eppig

2. It was recommended that the board approve the resolution for commitment of fund balance as presented on [ATTACHMENT #4](#).

Mr. Peters moved, Mrs. Wenger seconded, the motion to approve the resolution for commitment of fund balance, as presented.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Knouse, Mrs. Penkunas, Mr. Peters,
Mr. Rucci, Mr. Sahd, Mr. Shaub, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Eppig

3. It was recommended that the Board approve the transfer of \$3,842,864 from the General Fund to the Capital Reserve Fund.

Mr. Peters moved, Mr. Rucci seconded, the motion to approve the transfer amount from the General Fund to the Capital Reserve Fund, as presented.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Knouse, Mr. Peters,
Mr. Rucci, Mr. Shaub, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: Mrs. Penkunas and Mr. Sahd

Absent: Mr. Eppig

4. It was recommended that the board approve the 2017-18 budget transfers as presented on [ATTACHMENT #5](#).

Mr. Peters moved, Mrs. Wenger seconded, the motion to approve the 2017-18 budget transfers, as presented.

On roll call vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Knouse, Mrs. Penkunas, Mr. Peters,
Mr. Rucci, Mr. Sahd, Mr. Shaub, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Eppig

Student Activities Committee

The Student Activities Committee met on Thursday, February 8, 2018. The SAC discussed additional details about the Unified Sports Program that was shared with the Board previously. The SAC was enthusiastic about being able to provide this opportunity for our students. Dr. Axe gave an update on the extra-curricular activities coming in the spring. The Committee had the following recommendations for Board approval:

1. It was recommended that the board approve the following Sunday Use Requests.
 - a. Warwick Girls' Soccer to use the HS large Gym on March 11, 2018 for an Umpire Clinic from 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.
 - b. Warwick Wrestling Club to use the MS gym and Cafeteria – dining area only on March 4, 2018 for a Youth Wrestling Championship Tournament from 1:30-5:30 p.m.

Mr. Rucci moved, Mr. Sahd seconded, the motion to approve the Sunday Use Requests, as presented.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Landis, Mr. Knouse, Mrs. Penkunas, Mr. Peters,
Mr. Rucci, Mr. Sahd, Mr. Shaub, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: None

Absent: Mr. Eppig

2. It was recommended that the board approve the following Overnight/Out-of-State Trip Requests.
 - a. HS students and staff to Annville Cleona HS to participate in Regional Chorus from March 1, 2018 – March 3, 2018.
 - b. MS students and staff to Washington DC to participate in Future City National Finals from February 17, 2018 to February 21, 2018.
 - c. HS students and staff to Costa Rica in June of 2019. This will provide students with a social, cultural and service learning experience.
 - d. HS students and staff to England, France, Germany and Austria in June of 2020. Students will be immersed in history of how the US aided in defeating Nazi Germany in WWII.

Mr. Rucci moved, Mr. Sahd seconded, the motion to approve the Overnight/Out-of-State Trip Requests, as presented.

On voice vote:

Ayes: Mr. Knouse, Mrs. Penkunas, Mr. Peters,
Mr. Rucci, Mr. Sahd, Mr. Shaub, and Mrs. Wenger

Abstain: None

Nays: Mr. Landis

Absent: Mr. Eppig

Executive Session/Personnel Committee

It was announced that there would be a meeting immediately following this Board meeting to discuss various personnel matters.

Labor and Management Committee

It was reported that no meeting was held in February.

Lititz Recreation Center Representative

It was reported that no meeting was held in February.

Legislative Committee

No report was given at this time.

IU Representative

It was reported that a meeting was held on February 14, 2018. The following items were noted from the meeting:

- A presentation was given regarding the Extended Year School program offered in the summer.
- The 2018 Legislative Breakfast is scheduled for March 12, 2018.
- The Reinventing Learning Showcase will be held on April 11, 2018.
- Keeping Kids Safe program is being offered at the IU on Tuesday, March 20, 2018.
- Committee reports were given and included contracts and employment concerns.

Lancaster County Career and Technology Center Representative

It was reported that a meeting was being held tonight to review applications for an Executive Director of the Career and Technology Center.

PRIOR BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

INFORMATION

None.

COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM BOARD MEMBERS OR CITIZENS

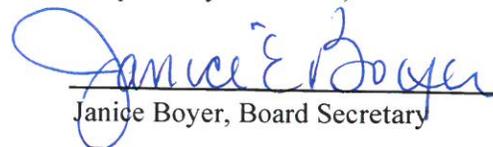
Mr. Landis thanked everyone for attending the meeting tonight and for the support of the Warwick School District. He also reminded everyone that the committee meetings are always open for public attendance.

Mr. Peters expressed thanks to the district for allowing the use of district buildings this past weekend for the Fire & Ice Festival.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Mr. Sahd moved to adjourn the meeting. Mrs. Wenger seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Janice Boyer, Board Secretary

Warwick School District
Student Representative Report
February 20, 2018

Submitted by Miss Paige Bogda

High School

- We celebrated our January Students of the Month.
- We are proud of our three scholastic key winners
- The high school is looking forward to a great second half of the school year.

Middle School

- January has been a great month at WMS. We held our annual geography bee and crowned Chase Hollinger as champion. We also hosted the district wide spelling bee. The competition was fierce and the words impressive, Katie Jeanes came out on top as the winner.
- Additionally our WMS Future City team took 1st place at the regional competition in Harrisburg which qualifies them for the national competition to be held in Washington DC later this month.
- We are ready for a tremendous third marking period!

Kissel Hill

- From January 30th - February 8th, all students will take part in Art Goes to School. It is always a pleasure to learn about individual artistic styles and pieces from local art professionals in the area.
- Spirit Week will take place from February 5th - February 9th. Students are excited to celebrate our rich school culture.
- During our February 5th Faculty Meeting, the teachers will take part in a “mini-conference.” During this time four teachers will present a powerful tool from their practice as well as reflective pieces to consider when using this tool/strategy for instruction. Staff members will be permitted to move freely between presentations that will go “on loop” for about three cycles. All of this is done in an effort to grow teacher leadership and learn from the effective practices that may be unique to certain professionals.

Lititz Elementary

- Lititz Elementary staff and families have loved participate in the One School, One Book Fenway and Hattie! From a kick off assembly of a dog wearing a go-pro exploring Lititz Elementary School, to families sending in pictures of their own pets, to a collection of supplies for pets and animals to donate to a local shelter, it was an awesome experience!

- February 21-23 the school and PTO look forward to partnering together for our annual book fair.
- In addition, February's focus is on Random Acts of Kindness, which will include a kick off assembly focused on Kindness, as well as read alouds and a Mission Possible challenge for all students.

Bonfield

- Bonfield started the month of February with an All Pro Dad's breakfast on February 1 and the PTO Winter Carnival on February 2.
- Our 5th & 6th grade chorus will be performing a concert for the entire school on February 12 at 9:00 am and again at 7:00 pm for family and friends.
- Also this month, our 3rd, 4th, 5th & 6th grade students will be participating in the Jump Rope for Heart during PE classes. As a school, we continue to read Hattie & Fenway as part of the One School, One Book program.

John Beck

- The week of January 29th, John Beck celebrated Spirit Week with special days (e.g. Story Character Day, Red and Black Day, Silly Day and Baseball Hat Day) The week culminated with a Pep Rally on Friday afternoon with a special appearance from HS students on the Girls and Boys Basketball teams. The HS students shared what it takes to be part of team (e.g. Good sportsmanship, perseverance, good study habits and grades, and teamwork, just to mention a few.
- Students loved the Code.org assembly and are excited to get started in their classrooms!
- We are looking forward to Art Goes to School volunteers visiting Beck to share their expertise about pieces of art and the artists in mid February.