

DISTRICT OR-1 BOARD OF EDUCATION

SUMMARY OF MARCH 11, 2024 MEETINGS

- Work continues on the construction projects at Bennet Elementary and Palmyra High School. Updated student-created videos and construction progress pictures are now available to view on our district website at www.districtor1.net
- As part of our monthly staff and student presentations, Nebraska Department of Transportation (NDOT) officials provided an update on a "first draft" traffic safety plan proposal to reduce traffic crashes and mitigate other traffic concerns in the Palmyra area. NDOT provided an overview of the initial plan design complete with an RCUT traffic concept. More information regarding the RCUT design concept for our area can be accessed on our website at www.districtor1.org. More "RCUT" information can be found at the following link: <https://dot.nebraska.gov/news-events/transportation-tidbits/r-cut-intersections/>
- The board also approved a resolution in support of the NDOT traffic design concept presented at the meeting.
- The board approved the resignation of Mrs. Cassidy Buescher (PHS English Teacher) and approved the teaching contracts for Mr. Taylor Baumert (PHS Social Studies Teacher and Head Football Coach), Mr. Andrew James (HS Science Teacher), Mr. Jacob Wieseler (High School English Teacher), Ms. Ann Wookman (Elementary School Teacher), and Mr. Jared Haag (Bennet Elementary School Principal).
- The Superintendent Report contained information on the following topics: *Legislative update, NDE Safety and Security Grant, High school grading, Student, staff, and community kudos, personnel update, district activities update, Bennet full-day pre-school discussion, District Wellness Policy and Committee, Elementary principal interview process and survey results, construction progress at Bennet and Palmyra, option enrollment, student enrollment, "End of School Year" activities, social media, winter weather protocols, 2022 bond update, parent-teacher conferences, staff development activities, and high school class scheduling for next year.* The district Wellness Policy was discussed and a District Wellness Committee meeting is scheduled for sometime before the end of the school year.
- The administrative report contained information on the following topics: Third quarter report cards, High School Prom and Post Prom Activities, and staff activities for **Monday, March 11th**. The main topics for the day were Mental Health First Aid, MTSS, and behavior committee follow-up.
- The Bennet Caring Project has concluded, and Bennet Students raised over **\$415.00** for the Brave Animal Rescue. Congratulations!
- NSCAS/MAPS testing will be **April 22nd-May 3rd** for K-10 students.
- KDG Round Up will be **Friday, April 12th** from 9-11 AM. A parent meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, April 10th**, at 6:00 PM. at Bennet Elementary School.
- The next board meetings are scheduled for **Monday, April 8th, 2024** at PHS. The Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) special meeting will start at 6:30 p.m. with the regular board meeting starting at 7:00 p.m. Both meetings will be located in the media center. All patrons are welcome to attend these public meetings.
- The board also approved the current pay application from BIC Construction and additional invoices related to services completed to date on various school facility expansion projects. A BIC Construction representative also provided a current construction update for Bennet Elementary and Palmyra Jr./Sr. High School. Pictures of current construction progress and a BIC update report were also shared.
- More information is available at [HTTPS://MEETING.SPARQDATA.COM/PUBLIC/ORGANIZATION/174](https://MEETING.SPARQDATA.COM/PUBLIC/ORGANIZATION/174)