



# FROM THE BOARD

*Notes from the August 27, 2009 Regular Meeting of the Fayetteville Board of Education*

## **2008-09 Final Budget**

Chief financial officer Dr. Lisa Morstad reported to the Board on the final budget for the 2008-09 fiscal year. She noted that the district ended the year without having to use any of the property tax reserve funds. To see the presentation, [click here](#).

## **Flu Update**

Superintendent Vicki Thomas reported on how the district is responding to influenza in the district. She noted that staff members are closely watching students for any flu-like symptoms. When a student displays flu-like symptoms, the student is immediately sent to the school nurse for evaluation. If the nurse concurs that the symptoms are flu-like, the student is sent home, instructed to contact his or her health care provider, and instructed to remain at home until the student is fever-free for 24 hours without the use of medication.

Thomas also thanked Washington Regional Medical Center and school board member Steve Percival for donating and facilitating the installation of antibacterial handwash dispensers in every school in the district.

## **Recognition Awards**

FHS students Colewyn Dehner and Landry Hanlan received Recognition of Outstanding Achievement Awards for winning the ArkanSTAR Award from the 2009 T-Tauri annual Filmmakers Festival.

Carol Stone with Coordinated School Health presented the Board with the Diamond Award from the Arkansas Department of Education for creating healthy schools of excellence in Arkansas.

## **New Happy Hollow Elementary School Update**

Architect Wes Burgess reported to the Board on plans for the new Happy Hollow Elementary School. [Click here](#) to see the presentation.

## **Campaign Report**

Campaign co-chair Fred Vorsanger reported on the upcoming millage campaign. Former superintendent Harry Vandergriff also spoke to the Board on the upcoming election.

## **Advanced Placement & Gifted & Talented Program Report.**

Barbara Prichard, director of gifted and talented education, reported to the Board on the Advanced Placement and GT programs. To see her presentation, [click here](#).

## **Leap Ahead Program**

Chief academic officer Linda Auman and director of assessment and accountability Lester Long made a presentation to the Board on the Leap Ahead program that took place over the summer at Owl Creek School. [Click here](#) to see their presentation.

## **FHS Tours**

*Come see for yourself! Take a tour of Fayetteville High School on Saturday, August 29. Tours begin at 9, 10, and 11 am.*

## **FPS Blog**

*To keep current on the latest news from the Fayetteville Public Schools, check out our blog at <http://web.fayar.net/mt/community/>*

*Comments are welcome!!*

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