

# Board Highlights



**Board Highlights are sent out each month, following the Board of Education meeting, to communicate to District staff and stakeholders the essential topics discussed and voted on during the meeting.**

**March 3, 2014  
6:30 p.m.**

## **Introduction & Board Reorganization**

- ❖ Suzanne Cannon introduced and welcomed the new superintendent, Dr. Jason Simeroth, and his family, who traveled to Yukon for a pre-Board meeting reception in their honor.
- ❖ David Yetter took the oath of office for Board Post #4.
- ❖ Board members voted on reorganization:
  - Leonard Wells—President
  - Karen Youngblood—Vice President
  - Suzanne Cannon—Clerk
  - David Yetter—Deputy Clerk
  - John Nail—Board Member
- ❖ All Board members took the oath of office for new positions.
- ❖ As his first action as Board president, Leonard Wells presents Suzanne Cannon with a plaque as a token of appreciation and recognition for her service as president.

## **Superintendent's Report**

- ❖ Dr. Keithly recognized Dr. Jason Brunk, who was recently named the University of Oklahoma College of Education's Outstanding Educator.
- ❖ Mitzi Mattox presented in place of Cedric Mills from the Canadian County Health Department. She informed the BOE about signage that will be put in place in all YPS schools designating them tobacco-free zones.
- ❖ Dr. Keithly reminded everyone about the Teacher of the Year event, to be held on March 25 at 6 p.m in the YHS cafeteria.

## **Business Items**

- ❖ After reviewing the results from a survey sent to YPS staff regarding attendance at the upcoming Education Rally at the Capitol, the BOE voted to send 3 delegates from each school.

### **Business Items (cont'd)**

- ❖ Dr. Keithly recommended to the BOE to readopt Board Policy CDAC (Fiscal Management Priority—General Fund Balance) in an effort to achieve and maintain a fund balance of 14% with a minimum level of 5%.
- ❖ The Board voted to update the policy regarding public comments at meetings. Individuals will continue to receive 3 minutes to speak; groups of 3 or more will be given 5 minutes.

### **Board Member Announcements/Comments**

- ❖ Board members iterated their excitement about Dr. Simeroth joining our district and working with him to make our district even stronger.
- ❖ David Yetter spoke about his concern and disappointment regarding legislators' scorn of teachers wanting to attend the Education Rally on March 31. He encouraged community members and parents to also attend in support of our schools.