Board Report September 10, 2018

Jim Knott –High School Principal DC West High School

Fall activities are in full swing and it is an exciting time of year. We are really looking forward to getting into our new science rooms on September 10. Science teacher Val Randall said, “It has been a long wait but the end product will be well worth it. Its such a phenomenal change and will make a huge difference in the world of science here at DC West.” Our teaching staff has been very flexible with their classroom spaces during this transition time. I would like to give a special “thank you” to Mrs. Kallenbach, Mr. Sims, Mrs. Cooper, Mr. Baker and Mrs. Lee for willingly giving up their classroom spaces for parts of the day so we have a place to teach our science classes.

The High School Faculty Senate met for the first time on the morning of Thursday, September 6. This representative group is made up one teacher from each subject area, high school administration, and the high school counselor. Members each serve two-year terms. Current members are Taylor Holzer (social studies), Val Randall (science), Dawn Beyl (PE, health, chorus, band), Chip Daehling (math), Ben Knobbe (art, industrial tech, business), Tracy Larsen (language arts, foreign language), Nick Sims (special education.), Sandi Triplett (library, ELL, technology), Ron Michael (counselor), Nathan TerBeest (administration), and Jim Knott (administration). The mission of the Faculty Senate is be a representative group who works on topics/ideas in order to improve the high school building culture or improve opportunities for students. Some topics the group is planning to work on first semester include high school building goals and updating the high school ineligibility policy. Faculty Senate member Ron Michael stated, “The Faculty Senate is a great place for staff members and administrators to work together at the committee level to promote positive change in our building.”

**A few other items that are currently or will soon be happening at DCWHS**

\*MAP (Measures of Academic Progress) Testing for 9th & 10th graders – September 26.

\*Pre-ACT Testing for 11th graders – September 26.

\*Parent-Teacher Conferences on October 8 and 10.

**High School Enrollment Numbers – September 7, 2018**

9th - 77 10th – 61 11th – 78 12th – 73 Total - 289