

## **MAY 14 BOARD MEETING REPORT**

Marty Kramer was the only board member absent. Action taken was on a 6-0 vote unless noted otherwise.

7:00 P.M. REGULAR MEETING

AUDIENCE WITH THE BOARD: None

### **REPORTS**

BOE – Jamie Bradley reported on the Cardinal Foundation for Educational Excellence 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Fundraiser that will be held on Saturday, June 7, at Rolling Hills Zoo.

Mrs. Sprinkle – Her report included: state assessment updates; professional development focus for next year; kindergarten roundup having 32 attend; Reading Renaissance celebrations; the Counseling/At-Risk Reading position; and thanked CPTA for everything that they provided to the staff during Staff Appreciation Week.

Mrs. Wildeman – Her report included: state assessment and MAP assessment updates; Lara Brockway and Mason DeArvil placing in the top 10 in the nation at the national Business Professionals of America contest; students placing in the state Forensics meet; students taking 1<sup>st</sup> place in a state investing video competition; spring sport success; fireworks stand fundraising opportunity; and answered questions about class scheduling.

Mr. Minneman – His report included: a visit by State BOE Member Deena Horst; Multiple Measures of Student Growth component of the teacher evaluation process; reminded the board of the staff luncheon, HS graduation and the 8<sup>th</sup> Grade promotion; read one thank you; and dates that he will be attending meetings out of the district before the next meeting.

### **BUSINESS**

Accept Resignations—The following resignations were accepted: Megan Harding, Title Reading Teaching Assistant; John Johnson, Asst. HS Boys' Basketball coach; Jeff Westover, Head MS Football and Asst. MS Track coach.

Approve New Hires—The following individuals were approved: Sharon Nowak, part-time MS Science; Jeff Vogt, MS English; Jeff Westover, Cross Country coach; and Chencho Arceo, part-time groundskeeper.

Spring Sport Supplemental Positions—The spring sport supplemental coaches/sponsors were approved for the same positions as they were this year.

Classified Personnel Positions—All currently employed classified staff were approved for employment for next year with the exception of those whose letter of retirement or resignation had been accepted earlier.

Capital Outlay Resolution—A resolution for the authority to assess a continuous and permanent Capital Outlay levy not to exceed 8 mills was approved. This resolution will replace the resolution approved in October and has the same maximum mill levy (8) as that one does. The main reason for approving this one is that in legislation passed last year there is now greater flexibility in the use of the funds but to utilize that flexibility a new resolution was required. The funds can now be used for maintenance of school buses, purchase of software, purchase of performance uniforms and for custodian wages. This could give us some relief with our General Fund and LOB. Although we've had the authority to assess a Capital Outlay mill levy we haven't done so for several years.

MS/HS Handbook Proposed Changes—The proposed changes were approved.

Student Out-of-State Travel—The request for the FFA officers to travel to Salida, CO for their annual retreat was approved.

Dual Sports Participation—This was a discussion item and will be brought back to the June meeting.

Track Facility—This was a discussion item. It is the intent of the administration and board to continue to look at ways to fund an upgrade to the track facilities.

There were two Executive Sessions (Personnel, Negotiations).

The meeting adjourned at 9:14 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, June 9 at 7:00 p.m. in the District Office in Brookville. If anyone wishes to have an item added to the agenda, please contact President Jeff Parker, Vice-President Marty Kramer or the District Office two weeks prior to the meeting.



# CARDINAL FOUNDATION GRANTS AWARDED



Great News!! The Cardinal Foundation for Educational Excellence Board of Directors met on Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, and awarded grants for this year in the amount of **\$11,251.98!!!!!!** This is the largest amount ever awarded. The Cardinal Foundation Board has made a statement that our kids are important and that the Foundation is here to enhance learning opportunities of our students.

The following grants were awarded.

Amber Fouard: Purchase of various sizes of WittFitt Stability Balls, pump and training for use in the classroom. These aid in student concentration. \$1,053.00

Mary Katherine Isaacson: Purchase of Ghotit Real Write and Reader 3 license to be used in special education classes. \$249.00

John Johnson: Purchase of Makerbot spools and service plan for a 3d printer that is used in making projects in industrial arts classes. \$754.24

Susan Nelson: Purchase of 2 iPads minis and various apps to be used in middle school science and math classes. \$865.77

Kayla Herrman: Purchase of 3 iPad minis, 1 Apple TV and HDMI cord for use in the classroom. \$1,015.00

Glenda Minneman: Purchase of 1 Apple TV, HDMI cord and 3 Kensington Keyboard Cases (to use with existing iPads) for use in the classroom. \$264.97

Susie Omlie: Purchase of 6 iPad minis, 1 Apple TV and 6 iPad mini shell cases for use in the classroom. \$1,984.00


Robyn Parker: Purchase of 1 iPad mini, Apple TV and HDMI cable for use in the classroom. \$417.00

Andrea Pickering: Purchase of 3 iPad minis, 1 Apple TV and HDMI cable for use in the classroom. \$1,015.00

Ariana Stavropoulos: Purchase of 5 iPad minis and cases for use in the classroom. \$1,840.00

Stephanie Svaty: Purchase of 6 iPad minis to be used in the classroom. \$1,794.00


The Cardinal Foundation Board of Directors thanks all the teachers that submitted grant applications.




**FRIDAY,  
AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup>  
ENROLLMENT**

8:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.  
5:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.

**Congratulations**  
on your retirement:



**Pamela  
Dodd**



Thank you for all  
your years of  
dedicated service to our students.

## FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT'S DESK

What a great last month this has been! From the highlights of the year at the Grades 5-12 Band Concert to the awards and scholarships recognized on the Award Nights to the valedictorians' speech and diplomas awarded at graduation to the regional ballgames, golf meet and track meet, to the Elementary School Reading Celebrations and Play Day and Pep Rally our students have really showcased their hard work and achievements this year. They were busy and successful again this year. It was also impressive to see the large number of parents, relatives and community members at several of these events. Your physical support shows the students that they, and school, are important. It has been another tremendously successful year for students at Ell-Saline.

All of their success, however, doesn't just happen between the first day of school in August and the last day of school in May. Their success is a product of what they do 12 months out of the year. Learning doesn't (or shouldn't) stop during the summer. There are always books to be read, geography to be learned while taking summer trips, math to be done while helping with shopping, responsibility learned while helping with summer yard work and chores, and teamwork while playing on summer ball teams. All of these play a big role in your child's success in school and life. I encourage everyone to continue to take advantage of the learning opportunities that summer brings.

As we wind up the school year I want to thank everybody for helping make this another great year for our students. The Ell-Saline USD 307 school district is definitely a place where your children receive a quality education. Thank you for your continued trust and confidence in us.

I hope everyone has a safe, relaxing summer and I look forward to seeing your children back with us in the fall. Enrollment is Friday, August 1, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The first day of classes is Thursday, August 21.

### Ell-Saline Elementary Outdoor Learning Center

If you have some time, take a peek at the new Ell-Saline Elementary Outdoor Learning Center! It's at the southwest corner of the building and covers a large area. A few of the projects, including a large butterfly garden, two seating areas, a storage shed, and planting boxes, have been installed and there are plans for more additions over the next few months. Students and staff have been using the area for reading and other activities already! It has been a project that has spanned many years of work, and is finally coming to life. We have received funds from CPTA, and grants from Lowes and the Earl Bane Foundation. Thanks to everyone that has helped with the construction of the Ell-Saline Elementary Outdoor Learning Center, including Don Jensen, Erica Jensen, Paul and Courtney Schneider, Scott, Michelle, Nick, Baleigh, Kaden, Keegan and Kyson Griffin, Brian, Erin, Carter and Jackson Underwood, Susie Omli, Amy Helm, Steve, Dana and Danielle Sprinkle, Noah Bradley, Dave Atkinson, Rachel Ridgeway, Jared Schamberger, Anita Bird, Staton Diehl, all of the staff that has been watering, and any others that we may have missed. If you would like to help with future projects, contact Michelle Griffin. We will also be looking for volunteers for maintenance and upkeep over the summer and the next school year. We are excited about the learning opportunities that this new space will provide to our students!



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**FINANCIAL LITERACY**

## **Ell-Saline Students Win Kansas Financials Scholars Video Contest**

The month of April was Financial Literacy Month. High school students in Mrs. Hanson's Business Essentials and Marketing classes worked to become certified in financial literacy topics through Everfi's Financial Literacy online modules. The modules feature interactive lessons on topics including investing, insurance, budgeting, banking, credit scores, and financing higher education. Three students – Lara Brockway, Sam Unruh, and Garrett Schuman ('14) submitted a video to the Kansas Financial Scholar's Video contest sponsored by the Office of the Kansas Securities Commissioner. Out of 48 entries, Ell-Saline students placed first! All three students and Mrs. Hanson received I-Pad Minis and were invited to an exciting day in Topeka where they went on a tour of the capital, attended a luncheon in their honor, and got the opportunity to meet Governor Sam Brownback.



Sam Unruh, Lara Brockway, and Garrett Schuman ('14) pose for a picture with Governor Brownback.



Governor Brownback and Kansas Securities Commissioner, Josh Ney, watch Ell-Saline students' winning video.

***Congratulations!!***



## Ell-Saline's New Chapter of Business Professionals of America Attends National Leadership Conference



Ten students from Ell-Saline's Business Professionals of America chapter attended the National Leadership Conference, April 29<sup>th</sup> – May 3<sup>rd</sup>, in Indianapolis, IN. Over the five day conference, students attended workshops and competed in eight different events ranging from interview skills and prepared speech to computer security and applications. Two Ell-

Saline seniors, Lara Brockway and Mason DeArvil, were recognized on stage in front of over 5,000 people for placing in the top ten in their events – desktop publishing and prepared speech. Other impressive results included: Chance Harapat – 11<sup>th</sup> in computer security, Lara Brockway – 13<sup>th</sup> in prepared speech, and Mike Pieschl – 13<sup>th</sup> in interview skills. Other national qualifiers were: Garrett Schuman, Bri Graham, Emma Drees, Morgan Kindlesparger, Katelynn Winter, and Catelyn Richards.



Great  
Job!!

# Art Students Excel!

The Ell-Saline High School Art Students were very successful this year at the two art competitions they attended. The first competition was our Heart of America League Art Show at Inman, Kansas. The following students received awards:

## HOA League Art Show

Sivonna Williams- 3<sup>rd</sup> place ribbon- Ink Print  
Amanda Lewis- 2<sup>nd</sup> place ribbon- Ink Print,  
3<sup>rd</sup> place ribbon- Sculpture  
Kylee Jones- Merit ribbon- Ink Print  
Jacob Hopkins- 2<sup>nd</sup> place ribbon- Weaving  
Mikaylee Laas- 1<sup>st</sup> place ribbon- Fiber Arts  
Baleigh Griffin- 3<sup>rd</sup> place ribbon- Paper Collage  
Shannon MacPherson- 3<sup>rd</sup> place ribbon- Ink Print



The second competition the high school art students attended was the Fort Hays State High School Art Exhibition. At this competition, awards are received if your piece is given one of the infamous “Red Dots”. The following students were given Certificates of Art Achievement from FHSU for their artwork.

## FHSU High School Art Competition

Baleigh Griffin- 3 dots  
Kylee Jones- 2 dots  
Amanda Lewis- 1 dot  
Milah Linenberger- 2 dots  
Jordan Lindquist- 1 dot  
Baylee Kohman- 2 dots  
Tabitha Newton- 1 dot  
Sivonna Williams- 1 dot  
Shannon MacPherson- 3 dots  
Marlene Nunez- 2 dots  
Alex Reeve- 1 dot  
Monica Wolf- 1 dot  
Garrett Jacobson- 1 dot  
Devin Bowers- 1 dot  
Terra Tanius- 2 dots  
Andrea Howard- 1 dot  
Alivia Jennings- 2 dots  
Jacob Hopkins- 1 dot



Congratulations to all Art Students for all your hard work and dedication!

# FACS Students Become Cookbook Testers

This spring's Family and Consumer Science classes were privileged to participate in recipe testing for an upcoming cookbook for the Texas A&M Press. Ms. Nola McKey, author of the "From Teacakes to Tamales, Third-Generation Texas Recipes" cookbook requested testing assistance and ESH FACS students accepted the challenge.

Students were asked to describe the taste, appearance, completeness and clearness of directions, suggestions for future trials and any problems they encountered. Photos and reviews of the finished products were submitted to Ms. McKey. Only a few recipes required much revision.

EI-Saline students tested more of the desserts section including lemon, chocolate, and coconut cream pies and teacakes. The cookbook will be published in late 2015 with a volume to be donated to the EI-Saline FACS department.

Students gained additional experience preparing meals for the Brookville Lions Club and the MS HOA League Music Festival judges. Participants included Kassidy Chalmers, Elany Edgerton, Katie Edgerton, Riley McKain, Marlene Nunez, Kiva Phelps and Adriena Rodriquez.



## DISTRICT OFFICE SUMMER HOURS

June 2<sup>nd</sup>-July 26<sup>th</sup>  
7:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.



**CLOSED:**  
**FRIDAYS**  
&  
**JULY 3<sup>rd</sup>**



## LIONS CLUB PEACE POSTER CONTEST WINNERS



Again this year EI-Saline 6<sup>th</sup> grade students participated in the International Lions Club Peace Poster contest. The Brookville EI-Saline Lions Club sponsors this locally and awards prizes (\$20, \$15, \$10) for the top three posters. This year's theme was "Our World, Our Future". Pictured above (left to right) are: Ms. Erin Marshall, Art Instructor; Ty Chalmers, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place; Erin Lange, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place; Bria Byerley, 1<sup>st</sup> Place and Jerry Minneman, Brookville EI-Saline Lions Club treasurer. Bria also placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Lions District competition.



## EII-Saline USD 307

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# We're Heading to State!!



*Good Luck!*



May 29th & 30th @ Great Bend

May 30th & 31st @ Wichita State University



## *Congratulations Tyler Weems, 2A State Golf Medalist!*



The Cardinal Foundation  
Celebrates  
“ROLL THE DICE FOR CARDINAL KIDS”

Mark your calendars. Hold this date. PLAN TO ATTEND!! It's almost here!! The Board of Directors of the Cardinal Foundation has selected Saturday, June 7, as the date for the 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Endowment Dinner and Auction. This social event will be held at the Rolling Hills Zoo. The social hour and silent auction will begin at 6:00. Dinner will be served at 7:00 with the endowment auction starting at 8:00.

This is the major event to raise funds that support the mission of the Cardinal Foundation for Educational Excellence in providing scholarships to teachers and sponsors for special classroom needs and activities not provided in the budget. The number of projects funded each year is determined by the amount of proceeds generated throughout the year.

The invitation list is NOT limited to the alumni of Ell-Saline. It is open to businesses, Foundation supporters, family members of past and present students, friends, EVERYONE! However, seating capacity is limited to a maximum of 160 participants, so you will need to get your tickets and reserve your seating soon. Individual tickets are available for \$30.00 each, which includes the meal and gains entrance to both the silent and live auctions. A table of eight can be purchased by a business or a group for \$225.00, amounting to a \$15.00 savings.

Contact Cardinal Foundation board member Courtney Clifford Schneider (785-577-3382 or [clifford@dsoelectricwb.com](mailto:clifford@dsoelectricwb.com)) for tickets. Other Cardinal Foundation Board of Director members include Jamie Bradley, Chairman, April Saskowski, Secretary, Kathy White, Treasurer, Tracy Dent, Troy Ditto, Marty Kramer, Larry Laas, and Superintendent Jerry Minneman.

This will be a fun-filled evening you WON'T want to miss!!





# 2014 SUMMER FOOD PROGRAM

**Tuesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> thru Friday, July 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Free Summer Lunches, Ages 1 – 18**

*Breakfast served at Cottonwood site only ~ Monday, June 2nd thru Thursday, July 3rd*

**Adult Meal Cost:  
Lunch \$3.50  
Breakfast \$1.75**



## SALINA LOCATIONS

**Schilling Elementary** Lunch: 11:30am – 12:00pm  
*3121 Canterbury (Side door by gym)*

**Oakdale Elementary** Lunch: 11:30am – 12:00pm  
*811 E. Iron (West doors off of Penn St.)*

**Sunset Elementary** Lunch: 11:30am – 12:00pm  
*1510 W. Republic (North doors off of playground)*

**Cottonwood Elementary (June 2-July 3)** Breakfast: 7:45 – 8:15am  
*215 S Phillips (Baker St. entrance)* Lunch: 12:00pm – 12:30pm

**Heusner Elementary** Lunch: 11:30am – 12:00pm  
*1300 Norton (Northwest doors by Art Room)*

**Kennedy Early Learning Center** Lunch: 11:30am – 12:00pm  
*700 Jupiter (North double doors off Venus)*

**Salvation Army** Lunch: 11:30am – 12:00pm  
*1137 N. Santa Fe (Front door)*

**Church of the Cross** Lunch: 11:30am – 12:00pm  
*1600 Rush (Southeast door)*

**South High School** Lunch: 12:00pm – 12:30pm  
*730 E. Magnolia (West doors marked Student Entrance)*

**This program is an equal opportunity provider.**



**Serving Mon-Fri; all sites closed on July 4.** Sponsored by Heartland Programs and USD 305 in collaboration with other community partners. For more information please call: Cindy Foley at USD 305, 309-4715, or Linda Lorette at Heartland Programs, 309-5018.

Menus Available Online: <http://www.usd305.com> - then click on the Summer Food link!