



Board of Education Recap

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Mount Horeb High School
Addition and Renovation Ribbon Cutting/Dedication Ceremony
Friday, September 6, 2019 at 4:15 p.m.
Details to follow

August 6, 2019

Summertime greetings, Vikings-

One of the Board of Education's favorite roles is to honor the achievements of our students and staff. Last night, they were given another opportunity to do so, as the boys' basketball team placed second in the state (Division 2) for best grade point average (GPA). The team's GPA was in the top 15 of ALL schools in all of Wisconsin (97th percentile, with over 500 high schools in the State of Wisconsin). They achieved this auspicious recognition while also notching the second best record in the school's history – WOW!

Here is a picture of our athletes and coaches celebrating this special occasion. One parent, Mark Nortman, told me, "I think the boys' basketball program has been in the top 10 in GPA for a number of years and a few times in the top five." Clearly, this is a result of high expectations from our coaches / parents and the drive, work ethic, and determination of our young people.



Update of the Village Tax Increment Districts (TID) – The Board was pleased to have Mr. **Nic Owen**, Village Administrator, on hand. As you may know, TIDs are zones developed by government leaders for the purposes of redevelopment, infrastructure, and other community improvement projects. These are funded by way of reallocation of property taxes. Currently, there are 3 open districts: North Cape Commons (#3), Springdale Street (#4), and Downtown (#5). Details of each district's impact may be found on slides 7, 9, 11 (respectively) of [this slidedeck](#). The implications of these districts are great as the school district partially forgo increases in tax revenue (within the zone) during the duration of the TID. They do so with the hope the property values will significantly increase upon closure of the TID. Clearly, these slides demonstrate the purpose of these TIDs are yielding the intended results. This is one more way in which our Board is forging purposeful partnerships with other governmental entities with the intent of improving Mount Horeb.

Referendum Update – Speaking of improving Mount Horeb: we are entering into the final days of our High School's addition and renovation project. A great deal has been accomplished and finishing touches will continue all the way up to our students' return on Tuesday, September 3. **David Reed**, Building Services

Coordinator, and **Kevin McGuire**, Kraemer Brothers' Project Manager, were on hand to discuss the building's milestones (past and future) and [share a few pictures](#).

Lastly, have you ever thought about a career in a rewarding profession like education? Our Coordinator of Human Resources, Mrs. **Cynthia Swart**, tells me we still have a few opportunities for your consideration. [Please click here](#) for a list of them. Even our part-time employee benefits include:

- paid time off including sick leave, personal leave, family emergency leave;
- paid holidays;
- paid training;
- nights, weekends, holidays, summers off; and
- are part of the Viking family!

Interested candidates for these positions may apply on WECAN at <https://wecan.education.wisc.edu> or contact Cynthia in Human Resources at 608-437-7034.

Best wishes for a terrific remainder of your summer –

I am proud to be a Viking, and I hope you are too!

Steve