Arapahoe-Holbrook Public Schools Superintendent Report to Board of Education Jan. 13, 2025

Building & Grounds

- 1. <u>HVAC -</u> Our system has generally been effective, with a few areas in the building being difficult to control when the temperatures are exceptionally cold.
- 2. <u>Outbuildings & Storage</u> The building previously used for Industrial Tech has mounting issues that are pushing us to make decisions about its future use. The roof is due to be replaced and the heating unit has gone out. Roof costs are significant and the projected cost to repair the heating unit is \$1000. We use the building for athletic and other equipment storage that needs some climate control. The Bldg/Grounds committee met to discuss this and other issues. It was decided that the district should put minimal funds into the IT building and look at renovating some of the bus barn for future storage. We will solicit for bids on minor construction to separate the 2 south bays for heated activity/equipment storage. A full replacement of the Ag/IT building for expansion in our educational programming will be considered for the future.

Technology

- <u>Chromebooks Boards -</u> We are continuing on our schedule to rotate Chromebooks into our system so that secondary students are using units that are 3 years old or less, and elementary students generally don't have machines that are more than 4 years old. New Chromebooks are distributed to 7th and 10th grade students with their previous units being distributed to the elementary or kept as spares. 25-26 will be year 4 of our program and the Chromebooks have held up well. We may have enough in reserve that we declare some as excess equipment and offer them for sale at the conclusion of this school year.
- <u>Mimio Screens</u> Each elementary classroom has had a new Mimio Screen installed, so we are ready to begin working on Secondary and Electives/Specials classrooms. The expectation is that we will be able to use REAP funds left after Chromebook purchases to get 2 screens installed over the summer. If pricing allows, we will replace more than 2 of the SmartBoards with Mimio Screens in those classrooms.

Legislation

1. <u>Unicameral 109th Session-</u>The Legislature will be less than a week in with bills still being introduced, but I will have a brief listing of bills that have been proposed that directly address public schools in Nebraska.

Other

- 3. <u>Rule 10 Visit Dec 16 Mike Williams retired administrator from area performed the check</u>
- 4. <u>Board Leadership -</u> New officers will be installed at the January meeting after Logan Dettmann is officially seated as a member. Committee memberships will be assigned as well.
- 5. Board Training/Development
 - a. NASB Legislative Issues Conference Jan 26-27 Lincoln
 - <u>ESU Hot Topics Session</u> Jan 29 @ JB's in Holdrege meal with Perry Law presenting current legal info impacting school operation Social Hour begins at 5:30 with the meal at 6:00 and the presentation to follow All ESU 11 schools are invited. RSVP Jan. 15
 - c. NASB Board President Retreat Feb 16-17 Kearney
 - d. NRCSA Legislative Forum Feb 20 Cornhusker Hotel Lincoln
 - e. <u>NRCSA Spring Conference</u> March 20-21 Kearney