

**Arapahoe-Holbrook Public Schools**  
**Superintendent Report to Board of Education**  
**Dec. 12, 2022**

**Building & Grounds**

1. HVAC Project - The project has been going well. I still see a target of early January as the completion pending delivery of a few components yet. The rooms are all basically wired and ready, as are the hallways. They are waiting on a couple junction boxes for the system to communicate with controllers, and we are awaiting NPPD connecting the 3 phase power to the units. Instead of putting a new pole on our property and running the 3-phase from the south side of 4th St, they decided to bore under the street. Trenching back to the units and connections are ready as soon as the boring is completed. I do not yet have a cost on the 3-phase element.
2. Garbage/Recycling - Our plan is to move the dumpsters to the south side of the bus barn (in front of the fuel tank) to see if that's the best option. If it makes sense after a few weeks, we'll get estimates on some concrete work to set the dumpsters on and for the areas around, including a couple drives to the maintenance building. The Building/Grounds meeting will need to get together after the turn of the year to look at this and a couple other items.
3. Clearing of Bus Barn - There are a few items we could sell out of the bus barn, but most of the rest are items that will be thrown out. Instead of waiting for Schaben to get us a dumpster, we'll start using our own dump trailer and make trips on our own. That process will begin the week of Dec. 19.
4. Playground Equipment - The "no compete" clause that Crouch Recreation is operating under ends the 2nd week of January, 2023. I believe it's after we have our board meeting on the 9th, so we probably can't bring estimates on the price until the February meeting. Once we have that, the discussion can begin on the amount of funds the district will dedicate beyond those raised by the Gala event.

**Technology**

1. Mimio Boards - We will be looking to update our technology in the building over a number of years by replacing worn out SmartBoards with Mimio Touch Screens. The current plan will be to budget for 2 replacements per year. The boards cost in the neighborhood of \$3500 each, with the possibility of getting some discounts if we buy 5 or more. A thorough evaluation of our current SmartBoard status will help us identify those most in need of replacement, so we can prioritize the change-outs.
2. Website - We visited as an Admin Team & Tech Coordinator with the Apptegy representative on Monday, Dec. 5. The product looks exactly like what we want to improve both ends (front and back) on our website, and it also allows us to expand our digital presence with "single source" information (meaning the exact same info will go out through multiple methods of social media) and a very easy to

use mobile app connected to AHPS. The cost per year is almost twice what we pay SOCS, but we get much more functionality for it. This is a key aspect of the goal to clarify and promote our “brand” to the patrons and surrounding area. If we commit to this before the conclusion of the 2022 calendar year, we will save 80% on their migration and set up fees (\$1900 instead of & \$9500). I’ll be able to speak about this a bit more after our follow up visit on the morning of the board meeting.

## **Other**

1. SRP Training - A Lockdown drill was completed on November 16, 2022. There will likely be another drill for that particular SRP action during 2nd semester. We need to clarify some details on our Evacuation sites should the entire building need to be emptied for a longer period of time, and we will need to run a reunification exercise during the year as well. This practice is probably more critical to elementary students than secondary, as they are more dependent upon others for mobility/transportation.
2. Emergency Backpacks - We now have our first aid kits for the Emergency Backpacks, and will have them distributed and in place by the end of the week. They will include current rosters (even though only a couple weeks left in semester) and the first aid kits. They’ll be updated with new rosters at the start of 2nd semester, and we may add other items to the packs as well.
3. Curriculum Review Cycle - NDE is in a state of flux right now, so my recommendation is to adopt the proposed Continuous Curriculum Review Process as presented, so we can begin to organize to rotate our curriculum materials purchases.
4. NASB Meetings - Arapahoe was well represented at this year’s State Education Conference with me, Chad and Erick, as well as future board members Nancy Schutz and Leigh Zodrow. The sessions were informative and networking was good. The most valuable element from my perspective was to connect with current and future board members, so that we can tackle problems as a team. In addition to the State Educ. Conf, Nancy was also able to attend the New Board Member workshop in North Platte on Dec. 6.
5. Board Leadership - With Lisa and Brad leaving the board, we’ll need move new people into board leadership roles for 2023 at the January meeting. In addition to this, we plan to formally thank Lisa and Brad for their years of service to AHPS.