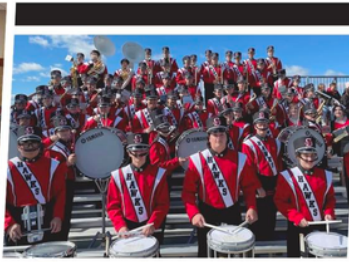


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Superintendent Kurt Krizan's Shout Outs: Hillcrest Principal Aaron Manders joined Mr. Krizan to recognize kindergarten student Jahna Reiter, staff member Cortney Stilen and the Kindergarten PLC team of Heather Wiese, Cortney Stilen, Jenna Perras, Zoe Schumacher, Cindy Ferch, Kayla Westberry and Jane Krueger. Mr. Krizan also shared many Shawano School District Points of Pride including First Nations Studies students reading to Hillcrest students during Native American Heritage Month, 539 participants in Donuts with Grown Ups at Olga Brener, the Veterans Day program at SCMS, thirteen students participated in Skills USA District Contest - 1st Place Tyler Evans, 2nd Place Baelyan Putz, Trevor Schwartz, Tyler Kuhn and Bradley Miller, Christmas tree donated to the high school from Steve and Karla Duchac, and No-Tardy November incentives, which were donated. Mr Krizan also shared a 2023-24 Budget Update through Oct. 2023. Jennifer Kamke-Black, School Psychologist/Transition Coordinator, talked about the recent Shawano Menominee County Holiday Party, celebrating our students with disabilities.

Policy Committee Meeting Update: Kurt Krizan reported that the committee discussed policy revisions with NEOLA. They will be presented to the board for approval.

Finance & Facilities Committee Meeting Update: Karen Houston reported that the committee met with Rosie Thiel, Lead Substitute Teacher, to discuss Teachers On Call. John Arens shared that Shawn Mathwich, Director of Buildings and Grounds, has conducted interviews for an additional maintenance contract. The snow removal contract has been completed. The committee also discussed refinishing the high school gym floor, which would need to be closed from Dec. 18 thru Jan. 3rd. The Safety Committee will review camera/speaker audit findings. The high school chillers will be replaced over Christmas break. Door O will be blocked during that time.

Information Items:

Rural Virtual Academy Presentation: Charlie Heckel, Administrator of the Rural Virtual Academy (RVA) discussed options for the district to join the RVA consortium which currently serves 65 districts, primarily smaller rural schools' students who are open enrolled out of their district. The district could open a second charter school under the RVA consortium so that local district students would remain here and meet local district requirements for graduation. RVA in Shawano is free public education. Joining the RVA consortium would save the district funding, annually.

Academic & Career Planning (ACP): Matt Raduechel, SCHS Principal and Elisha Wagenson, Director of Instruction and Personalized Learning, discussed the background and purpose of Academic and Career Planning to assist pupils with planning for life after high school. The plan covers grades 6 through 12, with activities starting in elementary school up until graduation including linking students to community partners, work readiness, Labor Market Information (LMI), interest inventories and dual and transcribed credits while attending high school. Plans include activities culminating with an event to coincide with graduation.

#ShawanoProud



Well done kindergartener, Jahna Reiter!

A grand ribbon-cutting ceremony was held for the Olga Brener Book Machine! A heartfelt thank you goes out to the Knowledge-A-Thon (KAT) for their generous contribution towards the acquisition of the Book Machine. Additionally, a big shout-out to the Olga Brener PTO and KAT for their invaluable support in purchasing new books to fill our exciting new machine!



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Policy Update - Technical Changes - Kurt Krizan reported that the NEOLA policy technical changes were reviewed by the Policy Committee.

Action Items:

Course Catalog – Matt Raduechel and Will Traber, SCMS Principal presented an overview of the annual review/changes to the up-coming course catalog. Will Traber discussed the Middle School focus on exploratory experiences for students in the STEAM and Production Labs. Matt Raduechel reviewed minor course description changes for 2024-25 and three new courses being piloted – Sustainable Agriculture: Growing lab, expand upon Youth Apprenticeship Programs, and Business Software Essentials Certificate, Employability and Youth Leadership certificate. Board approved the course descriptions as presented.

Gaggle Safety Management Services – Eric Brunner, Director of Information Technology, discussed the Gaggle software program and requested funds from ESSER III to purchase Gaggle for district use. Gaggle monitors Microsoft and Google platforms, picking up inappropriate searches which may be related to safety and violations of internet use policies. The Board approved the purchase of Gaggle as presented.

Policy Updates – Kurt Krizan reviewed the NEOLA recommended policy updates which were reviewed by the Policy Committee and presented for approval. The Board approved the policy changes as presented.

Board Meeting Dates – Kurt Krizan presented the single meeting structure, which the Board has utilized the past six months, for the next six months. The Board approved the single meeting dates.

2024-2025 School Calendar – Kurt Krizan requested board review and approval of the draft calendar for the 2024-25 school year which includes input from families and district staff. The Board approved the calendar as presented.

Donations – Kurt Krizan asked the Board for approval to accept two donations, \$500 from Shawano Masons to benefit children in need and, 1000 ice cream cups/spoons from Performance Foods for an incentive at the middle and high schools.

Teachers on Call – Nicole Harlaben, Director of Human Resources, asked the Board for approval to utilize the Teachers On Call organization for assistance in managing the district's substitute pool. The Board approved the use of Teachers On Call.

Resignations/Retirements/Appointments - Nicole Harlaben

Retirement: Susan Kuhn, SCHS

Appointments: Special Education including Kelley Johnson, Gabrielle Parkos and Ami Pavletich.

For more information about this meeting, including agendas, approved minutes and policy changes, [click here](#).

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