

New teachers hired for Re-1J

Written by Brenda Johnson Brandt

A first-grade teacher, 5/8-time math teacher, half-time P.E. teacher, as well as an athletic director, were hired for Holyoke School District Re-1J at the June 19 meeting of the Board of Education.

In addition, extra-duty assignments were approved for the 2012-13 school year.

Resignations were accepted for first-grade teacher Jenny McKenny, whose family is returning to their home state of Iowa, and for JR/SR High custodian Brian Adams.

Carly Daniel, who resides with her husband eight miles from Holyoke, was hired for the first-grade teaching position.

She graduated from the University of Northern Colorado in May of 2011 and has been a full-time paraprofessional at the Haxtun School District's preschool for the past year. She was also a substitute teacher when the preschool wasn't in session.

Sarah Dille of Holyoke will teach four periods of junior high math and will have a planning period for a 5/8 contract as a math teacher for 2012-13.

She previously taught junior high math at Sunset Middle School in Longmont for four years and has filled several long-term substitute teaching positions in both Holyoke and Haxtun since then.

Cutter Garrison, who completed his student teaching in Holyoke last year, graduated from Western State College last month.

He was hired as a half-time teacher and will teach two P.E. classes, be responsible for an ICAP class and have a planning period.

JR/SR High P.E. teacher Kyle Bules was hired as athletic director for 2012-13. He has taught and coached in the local school district for several years.

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Extra-duty assignments were made, with some open spots still remaining in the coaching assignments for 2012-13.

Stipends are \$3,102 for head HS coaching positions, band director and play director; \$1,861 for assistant HS coaches and HS spirit coach; \$1,825 for head JH coaches; \$1,241 for assistant JH coaches and JH spirit coach; and \$932 for choir director and musical.

The following extra-duty assignments were made:

John Zilla, head HS/JH football; Mike Smith, assistant HS/JH football; Dusty McConnell, assistant HS/JH football, assistant HS wrestling and assistant JH wrestling.

Michelle Vieselmeyer, head HS volleyball; Theresa Tharp, assistant HS volleyball; Kelsey Schmidt, volunteer HS volleyball; Scott Dille, head HS boys' basketball and assistant JH volleyball.

Arlan Scholl, head HS girls' basketball; Kia Kassman, assistant HS girls' basketball and assistant HS track; Dave Rice, volunteer HS girls' basketball.

Jack Garrison, head HS wrestling; Luke Thomas, head HS track and assistant JH football; Kelsey Reimink, assistant HS track, head JH volleyball and head JH girls' basketball.

Kyle Bules, head HS baseball; Marcus Kammer, assistant HS baseball; Brett Gerck, volunteer HS baseball; Ashley Clayton, head HS girls' softball; Kendra Schlachter, assistant HS softball.

Stefan Betley, volunteer assistant HS boys' golf; Nic Balog, volunteer assistant HS boys' golf and assistant JH track; Allie Billings, volunteer assistant HS girls' golf.

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Jane Zink, HS spiritleader sponsor and JH spiritleader sponsor; Corey Zeiler, head JH football; Jim Yakel, head JH boys' basketball; Angela Powell, head JH track; Cindi Beavers, assistant JH track.

Mitsuko Martinez, band director; Marcia Dalton, choir director; Eric Conklin, play director; and Pat Wiebers, musical.

Small calendar changes noted

A couple of small changes were noted for the 2012-13 calendar, with neither being contractual issues.

Student testing dates prior to school starting were changed to Monday and Tuesday, Aug. 13 and 14 in order to make the best use of the testing data. The first day of school for students will be Wednesday, Aug. 22.

The second change involved moving parent-teacher conference dates in the calendar.

Other business

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In other business June 19, the Re-1J board:

—noted there will be no board meeting Tuesday, July 3, but a board retreat has been scheduled Monday, July 2.

—followed along while JR/SR High principal Susan Ortner reviewed all changes to the 2012-13 student handbook and AD Bules covered changes to the activities/athletic handbook.

—authorized replacing a district car with a new vehicle, using the 2011-12 capital projects budget.

—acknowledged donations from the Leland Trust for the upcoming FCCLA and FBLA national conventions.

—noted the second semester audit of Random Drug Testing records was completed and all records were verified with the adopted standard operating procedures.

Ortner reviewed the numbers of tests and results for the second semester, noting there were no positive tests in the 2011-12 school year. She pointed out 88 percent of JH students and 87 percent of HS students were enrolled in random drug testing in the spring of 2012.

—heard from FBLA members Whitney Redman, Kaylee Ham and Cierra Prella, as well as advisor Kristie Ham, who will be attending the national conference in San Antonio, Texas later this month.

—reviewed 28 board policies that will be set for first reading July 17.

—approved second and final reading of Policy IKE on retention and first reading of 47 Section J

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