

## Superintendent's Report: September 2022

Highlight of the Month: The students have returned! Thank you, Carole, for a wonderful opening of the 2022-23 school year!

### News and notes:

#### Educational Leadership

- On August 30, we welcomed staff and students back to the 2022-23 school year.
- Our afterschool programming is underway. We currently have 30 students enrolled to date in the aftercare program. We will be offering additional programs of interest for students throughout the year. A calendar that includes this programming will be sent out each month and posted on the school website.
- We continue to monitor the increase in population, particularly at the pre-school and kindergarten levels. Included in your packet is an unofficial enrollment report as of August 31.

#### Facilities:

- The roof is completed and as of Friday, September 2, it is anticipated that the insulation will be completed as well. The Town Roof Committee is scheduled to meet on September 6.
- We are still in the process of transferring over to our new phone system.
- Tom DeJohn completed a series of repairs, including the new stairs to the Grade K playground.
- Jake's Foundations corrected the trip issues related to our new concrete entrance.

#### Collaboration and Communication:

I will be meeting with Pastors Michael Moran and Timothy Howard this month to make plans for continued partnership activities and support. Our diseased ash tree was removed for free, thanks to the efforts of Deb Richards, in collaboration with Eversource.

#### Comments on selected agenda items

##### New Business

- I. Unfinished Business
  - A. -B. Second reading of policies and bylaws for replacement and/or repeal.
- II. New Business
  - A. Overnight trip to Mystic Seaport- The grade 7-8 students in Eastford, and possibly Union, will be participating in an overnight experience at Mystic Seaport.
  - B. Review of Strategic Plan- Carole will review the updated Strategic plan. This plan will form the basis for updates in the leadership goals and the BOE goals. The update of BOE goals should take place at the October BOE meeting unless the BOE would like to set a workshop to discuss the Strategic Plan and related goals in greater depth.
  - C. SBAC (Smarter Balanced Assessment Consortium) Results- Charles Kernan will present a review of the SBAC results.
  - D. Approval of Novels: *Restart* and *Freak the Mighty*-Carole will review these books at the Curriculum Committee meeting. A summary of the discussion at the Curriculum Committee meeting will be shared with the BOE.
- III. Financial Reports- If there are any questions with any of the financial reports, please send them to me so responses can be prepared for the meeting. There are no transfer requests currently.