**Superintendent Leonard Whalen: Board Report for May 22, 2023**

**Items of involvement (not all-inclusive) since our April 17, 2023 Board Meeting:**

Wow what a whirlwind the last month has been! It has been a sprint to the finish as we wrapped up state testing, held many of our customary “year-end” events and we had another first rate senior class graduate. I believe we’ve had a super school year and our community is on the mend for certain.

We continue to have the following items going “Full tilt.”

- The US Bank building offer was rescinded by Mr. Peach when I asked for an extension in order to do some inspections

- We finished the year strong with significant academic rigor and focus.

- Ele/HS Roof Coating Project – Is going strong as weather cooperates.

- Jr/Sr High HVAC Project – Work continues on this and will be going majorly on May 25th as buildings clear.

-“Spruce Up Dawson Springs” SUDS service learning project was very successful today (if all goes as planned).

A sampling of Superintendent activities over the last several weeks:

Wed. Apr. 19th: - Attended MCC Advanced Integrated Technology Board Meeting

Thur. Apr. 20th: - Conducted regularly scheduled Principal Leadership group meeting

Fri. Apr. 21st: - Attended T. Smith visitation

 - Attended Murray State Supt. Advisory Council at MSU

Sun.-Wed. Apr. 23-36 - Traveled with KY Rural Education Association colleagues to Washington DC where we met with multiple KY Legislators to discuss educational issues and funding and I also shared some information from Dawson Springs related to the tornado and needs as our community rebounds

Thur. Apr. 27th - Conducted regularly scheduled Administrator Leadership group meeting

Mon. May 1st: - Participated in weekly National Weather Service update

Tue, May 2nd: - Participated in SUDS planning meeting

Wed. May 3rd: - Attended GRREC Supt. meeting in Bowling Green

Thur. May 4th: - Conducted regularly scheduled Principal Leadership group meeting

Fri. May 5th: - Attended KREA meeting in Georgetown

Tue. May 9th: - Participated in SUDS planning meeting

 - Attended virtual meeting with Audubon Head Start

 - Attended DS Rotary meeting

 - Participated in KY Emergency Management call related to local projects

- Attended MCC Educator Awards: Congrats to Laura Lucas, Melissa Larimore, and Emilee Seeger who we had recognized

Wed. May 10th: - Attended WKEC Supt roundtable via zoom

 - Attended West Hopkins Industries (WHI) meeting

 - Attended DS Chamber of Commerce meeting

Mon. May 15th: - Met with Governor Beshear with Mayor Sewell and others from WHI

 - Met with state Economic Development Cabinet with WHI members

Tue. May 16th: - Attended senior class awards during the evening in the gym

Wed. May 17th: - Virtually attended the Commissioner of Education Supt. Advisory Council meeting

 - Attended Baccalaureate

Thur. May 18th: - Attended the DS Educational Foundation Meeting

 - Attended Preschool graduation

Fri. May 19th”: - Attended graduation

On the radar for the coming month:

 - Continue to be visible and available in our schools and our community

 - Attend regular DS Rotary Meetings as available

 - Attend both WKEC and GRREC scheduled meetings

- \*Change orders in process from HVAC project, deduct on projector replacement and add for HVAC replacement in server room at HS.

- Potential for safe room/auxiliary space