Superintendent Leonard Whalen: Board Report for July 21st, 2014

Items of focus/discussion since our June 23rd, 2014 Board Meeting:

\*June 30: Special Board Meeting for Superintendent Evaluation and other items.

\*July: Continuation of preparations to start School in August. Facilities are coming along nicely. The preschool rooms are looking great.

\*July 8th: Our District Administrative Team met to discuss July preparations to be ready for school starting in August. We discussed items on our “radar” over the coming weeks and shared other information as well.

\*July 9th: All of our administrative team along with Mary Knight and Mike Marsilli and some of our custodial staff helped move a big majority of our preschool up the hill to the elementary. I am very appreciative of the teamwork and help from everyone. We also installed the preschool sign outside the door near their room at the elementary. We will be working diligently on the playground the week of July 14th. Mr. Workman is spearheading the playground work.

\*July 9th: I met with Carolyn Walker from the Dawson Springs Progress. Mrs. Walker is working on a story regarding the school and had questions about our restructuring of duties among other things.

\*July 10th: I met with Principal Stockman and A.D. Mills to discuss and review our coaches handbook.

 \*July 10th: I met with Denise Beach, the Director of the Hopkins County Health Department to discuss the hiring of the new nurse who will be stationed at our clinic (contract on board agenda).

\*July 11th: D&L is scheduled to be on site in our Jr. High wing to address the crack issue. Hopefully we can have this fully resolved in the coming week or so. We hope to have this portion of the work completed for the quote of $10,800. Upon total completion of this work, our engineer’s fees, and finally hopefully fully resolving this issue, we will need to have a closed session to discuss any legal stance we might have in regards to this.

\*July 11th: I will be leaving to attend the National School Public Relations Conference in Baltimore that I briefed you on back in May. I was fortunate and received a nearly $800 scholarship to attend this conference (attendance at a national conference annually is included in my contract). I hope to learn much and bring back information to share with the board and our staff.

\*July 17th-18th: Our administrative team will all be in Louisville attending the annual summer Kentucky Association of School Administrator (KASA) Conference. This conference is generally very beneficial as there are often “breakout” sessions specific to administrator roles and responsibilities. I anticipate this conference will be very productive.

\*July 21st: Our administrative team will have our “back to school” administrative retreat meeting at the board office in the afternoon to discuss back to school needs and discuss any issues we may need to address as we go “down the stretch” to school starting back up.

July 21st: 5pm, regular board meeting.