

# ON BOARD

BY-THE-MINUTES REPORT

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## Stegall named CES principal

CES Interim Principal Diane Stegall has been selected to lead the campus as its principal. She was named interim earlier this semester when Principal Jeanne Lay retired. Prior to that, Stegall served as assistant principal at the campus for six years. She was an elementary teacher at A.C. Williams Elementary and Fannindel. "We were very pleased with the leadership Mrs. Stegall provided at CES as interim. She definitely earned the opportunity to lead the campus," Superintendent Blake Cooper said.



## Two new principals named



*CISD Board President Ted Oats congratulates the newly-named CHS Principal Steve Drummond. Drummond was named principal at a special meeting held on April 29.*

CHS Assistant Principal Steve Drummond has been tapped to lead the campus as its principal beginning May 1. Drummond showed his leadership qualities in the absence of a full-time principal this spring. Before coming to CHS, he held administrator positions in Athens, Detroit and North Hopkins ISD.

"We are fortunate to have someone with Mr. Drummond's experience in the principal position. His name quickly surfaced as a top candidate due to his leadership this semester," Cooper said.

## Dual credit courses paid, says Cooper

Superintendent Blake Cooper announced that the District would fund dual credit classes for juniors and seniors next year.

"It will be great for seniors to be able to leave here with at least one year of college paid for," Cooper said. It may be possible for students to leave with

up to 45 hours of college credit.

Dual credit students have paid \$150 per college course in the past. Mr. Cooper said he wants to add the program's cost into next year's budget. Guidelines for participating in the tuition-free program are being drafted.

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## Board recognizes CMS and CHS students



*The CHS Boys Basketball team was recognized for their Bi-District championship. The varsity team finished the season with a record of 22-9. The JV team won first place in district with a record of 22-4 and the freshman team went 15-5 with a second place finish in district. Coach Kirby Jackson (left) and Tony Henry lead the teams.*



*The CMS Honor Band was recognized for its Sweepstakes win at the Region 3 UIL concert and sight reading contest on March 25. Sweepstakes is the highest award given at the contest. CMS Band Director Elizabeth Bialecki (front right) proudly introduced her band to the Board.*

### In other action...

The Board approved:

- Chartwells as the food service management company for five years. Chartwells Director Gene Weinkauff said the company should provide \$100,000 in capital investments in the District over the contract period, including a freezer and a Grab & Go counter at CMS.
- sale of two surplus vehicles. The F350 ag truck was sold to Charles Powell for \$1015.01 and the police car was sold to Nathan Venable for \$645. The sale was advertised and the highest bids were accepted.
- resignations of Vince Taylor, CHS teacher/coach, and Joshlin White-Turner, ACW/CMS art teacher.
- employed Joel Scott, CMS teacher/coach.
- renewed contracts for teachers, librarians, counselors, nurse, athletic trainer and girls athletic director as presented.
- renewed contracts for Tri County SSA personnel as presented.

The Board discussed potential savings that could be possible with the re-issuance of bonds. Director of Finance John Walker said he would proceed with the process which could net a \$1 million savings for the District.

Director of Health Services Jennifer Speulda gave the School Health Advisory Committee (SHAC) report which featured information about the abstinence and anti-bullying program conducted this year at campuses.

### Superintendent's report...

Mr. Cooper said enrollment dropped three students since last month, but it was still 103 students above the total for the first day of school in 2013.

Mr. Cooper told the Board about the successful CSEE Foundation's Boots & BBQ celebration which brought in over \$18,000 in contributions. He thanked the Foundation Board for their work to ensure the best opportunities possible for CISD students.

He also reported that over 580 people attended the Special Olympics track meet held at Texas A&M University-Commerce. CHS Teacher Terry Buckley and Misty Belcher, instructional aide, organized and produced the event which had participants from area school districts.

Mr. Cooper said testing underneath CMS conducted over spring break did not show any leaks under the building. The testing company concluded that 50 years of water seeping under the building contributed to interior damage. He said the plan was to work on drainage problems around the building this summer.

Mr. Walker said that the call for proposals for electrical retrofitting would go out on May 1. This action is expected to save the District money due to the use of more efficient lighting fixtures.

The next Board meeting was scheduled for May 18.

#### BOARD MEETINGS

7:00 • 3315 Washington  
Monday . . . . . May 18  
Monday . . . . . June 15  
Monday . . . . . July 20