



Above: Palmer Ridge 3A state champion football team with Coach Tom Pulford. Photo by Harriet Halbig.



Above: Palmer Ridge volleyball coach Jessen Miller is presented an award by Superintendent Brofft, left, and board President Matthew Clawson. Photo by Harriet Halbig.



Above: Prairie Winds kindergartner Henry T. reads his writing project with the help of Principal Aileen Kennedy. Photo by Harriet Halbig.

members of the public attended a recent training session.

Wangeman has also requested additional information on a new subdivision planned for the border between Districts 38 and 20.

The board voted to approve the superintendent's evaluation. President Matthew Clawson suggested that in the future, the evaluation be complete in such a way that new members of the board may be familiar with the superintendent's performance before being required to vote.

Demonstration of learning

Prairie Winds Elementary Principal Aileen Kennedy explained that her school has recently used the Lucy Calkins Writers Workshop as a basis for teaching writing throughout her school. Several students read their work.

Board comments

Taylor said he had met with Monument Academy representatives and congratulated them on their clean audit. He expressed concern that the district's audits are done later in the year than those of many districts. He said that he had attended the Colorado Association of School Boards (CASB) convention and brought a handout on how boards can improve their

methods. He suggested that the board should assess itself.

Secretary Sarah Sampayo also commented on the CASB convention. She spoke with a doctor who had talked about the subject of later start times for schools and said that the doctor was willing to speak to the board. She said that she had received a complaint that student ID numbers were breached for those involved in concurrent enrollment in local colleges. She praised the district for using such stress-relieving activities as yoga and board games during exam week.

Upchurch also attended the CASB convention. She has visited several schools and is impressed by their different personalities.

Clawson congratulated the athletes and thanked Sampayo for creating binders of information for incoming board members.

Consent agenda

A consent agenda item regarding a new Socratic Seminar and work study were discussed. Executive Director of Learning Services Dr. Lori Benton said that the courses appear in the consent agenda, while the curriculum requires a vote of the board. Once a course is approved, district staff determines the appropriate curriculum for public review and board approval.

The board approved the consent agenda.

The board went into executive session at 10 p.m. to discuss the lease or sale of real property and negotiations with Monument Academy. No further business was conducted after the executive session.

The Lewis-Palmer D-38 Board of Education meets at 6 p.m. on the third Thursday of each month at the district's Learning Center, 146 Jefferson St., Monument. The next meeting will be on Jan.18.

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