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Dec. 9, 2019

Board celebrates special recognitions

The Board honored several people for heroically acting to save Brennan Connell, a student at Olathe West, last year when he collapsed during a baseball game at Blue Valley Southwest (BVSW). Those honored include **Christopher Poskey**, KU Medical Center Athletic Trainer; **Tricia Dickerson**, BVSW parent; **James Kelly**, BVSW grandparent; **Dr. Kortnee Sorbin**, BVSW parent; and **Rob Fleaup**, BVSW baseball coach.

The Board also honored **Lisa Bauman**, Blue Valley West English language arts teacher, for receiving a Fulbright Teachers for Global Classrooms grant. Fulbright Teachers for Global Classrooms equips teachers to bring an international perspective to their schools through targeted training, experience abroad, and global collaboration.

Board honors Keirn, Scavuzzo, Price and Foerster

Jodi Keirn, ESOL paraeducator at Cedar Hills Elementary, and **Amy Scavuzzo**, parent educator at Hilltop Learning Center, were honored with the Distinguished Service Award. **Aimee Price**, art teacher at Blue Valley West, and **Pam Foerster**, nurse at Harmony Elementary, were honored with the Excellence in Education Award.

Board honors students for perfect ACT achievement

The Board honored 24 students who have earned a perfect score on the ACT test. Only two-tenths of 1 percent of all students who take the ACT test earn this perfect score of 36. The ACT is a curriculum-based achievement exam that tests in English, mathematics, reading and science.

Board receives the 2019-2020 Enrollment Report

Erik Pollom, assistant director of planning and operations, presented the annual district enrollment report. Enrollment for the 2019-2020 school year came in at 23,589 students in grades K-12. Pollom projected modest growth in district enrollment over the next few years.

Proposed 2021-2022 calendar introduced

Katie Collier, Chief Learning Officer, introduced the proposed 2021-2022 school calendar. The board will vote on the 2021-2022 calendar at a subsequent meeting.

Board approves legislative positions

The Board approved the 2020 Legislative Positions. These legislative positions will help guide the district's advocacy for education during the 2020 session. See the full



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Legislative positions on the district website at www.bluevalleyk12.org/legislative.

Board approves design contract

The Board approved a design contract for the district's next elementary school, Elementary 24.

Policy revisions introduced

Mike Slagle, deputy superintendent, introduced revisions to several board policies including Policy 3810: Student Records; Policy 5415 Construction Project Management and Change Order Process; and Policy 5420: Investments. The Board will vote on the proposed policy changes at a subsequent meeting.

Board appoints patron to board advisory committees

The Board reappointed Nat Milgram to serve on a Board Advisory Committee.

This month's did ya read to the end drawing entry is to email me the most memorable Christmas gift you've ever received!



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