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21 G-H, S-C approve new sharing proration

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The Galva-Holstein and Schaller-Crestland School Boards each approved 0 percent allowable growth budgets for 2011-12, ICN bandwidth contracts and a new whole-grade sharing enrollment proration Monday at Schaller.

The 2011-12 Galva-Holstein budget is \$7,125,869, a decrease of \$606,093 from the current budget of \$7,731,962. The estimated 2012 levy rate per \$1,000 valuation is \$12.48617, down from last year's levy rate of \$12.57603. The school's estimated revenues are \$7,010,020, a decrease of \$450,621 compared to last year's \$7,460,641. A public hearing on the budget will be held April 12 at 7:15 p.m. in the Holstein building.

The Schaller-Crestland board set its budget public hearing for April 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the superintendent's office at Schaller. The 2011-12 budget is \$6,999,425, an increase of \$1,939,450 from the current budget of \$5,059,975. The school's estimated revenues for 2012 are \$6,010,970, an increase of \$417,199 compared to the current year's \$5,593,771. The estimated tax levy rate is \$13.71053 per \$1,000 valuation, down from this year's \$13.72316.

Technology director Bret Warnke provided both districts with information on increasing their ICN bandwidth. At his recommendation, the G-H board approved a three-year contract to increase its bandwidth from four megabytes a second to 15 megabytes a second. The S-C board approved a three-year contract to increase its bandwidth from 10 megabytes a second to 25 megabytes a second.

A new whole-grade sharing enrollment proration for students for the second semester of the current year was approved by both boards. The rates are as follows (first semester rates in parentheses): middle school—G-H 57.065 (56.354) percent, S-C 42.935 (43.646) percent; high school—G-H 57.511 (57.676), S-C 42.489 (42.324) percent.

Both boards approved budget guarantee resolutions, 2009-10 district audits and the superintendent's evaluation.

The G-H board approved the second reading of the 100 and 200 board policies, short- and long-range goals, superintendent goals and proceeding with the preschool playground.

The S-C board approved proceeding with the handicap accessibility project at the Schaller building, three

resignations (head cook Cathy Weldon at the end of the current school year, Trish Hogrefe as Wee Wildcat Daycare employee effective March 16 and Josh Anderson as elementary/middle school art teacher) and four contracts (Randy Galvin as summer drivers education instructor, Dale Tokheim as assistant middle school track coach, JeriJean Hall as special education teacher associate and Julie Evans as head cook beginning July 1).

Reports

High School Principal Ken Slater reported on senior awards, a motivational speaker on April 13, VREP, six students took part in the NASA trip, 19 students were selected for National Honor Society and will be inducted March 22, a blood drive and drivers education sessions.

Slater noted a senior from both districts would be selected for the Governor's Scholar, Des Moines Register All-State, Omaha World-Herald and KCAU best of class awards.

He was asked to have a VREP demonstration and to provide information on postsecondary enrollment options at the April meeting.

S-C Elementary and Ridge View Middle School Principal
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