

# Sheldon Elementary School

## Board of Education Report

October 11, 2012

- Sheldon Open house was held on September 20, 2012. Open House was well attended and many families came with younger siblings and grandparents. Parents had the opportunity to sign up for conferences, Girl and Boy Scouts, and Sheldon Parent/Teacher Group activities. We also had a presentation on our PBIS/Olweus initiative.
- On October 12<sup>th</sup>, Sheldon staff will be participating in the Passionately Pink fundraiser for breast cancer research.
- We are very excited for our first “Sheldon Family Reading Night” scheduled on October 22, 2012 from 6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Amy VanDerWater will be our guest speaker. She is a writer and teacher living in Holland, NY. Her first published book, Forest Has A Song, will be available in Spring 2013.
- As part of our PBIS district wide initiatives, Sheldon Elementary will be participating in Red Ribbon Week activities, along with the Middle School students. Red Ribbon Week is October 23 – 31, 2012.

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October Assembly – Our fourth grade students made a presentation to the entire school about how to be prepared in the classroom.

Project Read – is sponsored by our PTG and is organized by Kindergarten teachers Kristin Janes and Chaunda Hertel, and Reading teachers Jill Barron and Julie Eldridge. Students who read with their families for 20 or more days during each month will receive a charm to add to a charm key ring. If they participate every month they will receive a special reading charm, a free book and a coupon to use at our school store.

Olweus Bullying Prevention Program – Teachers have been conducting classroom meetings and have completed 4 sessions. The building committee has met and reviewed feedback from our classroom teachers. The feedback was positive and the program seems to be easily integrated into the classroom.

Faculty Meeting with Sheldon faculty was conducted on 10/3/12 – topics included BEDS forms and logistics regarding the Superintendent’s Conference Day scheduled with teachers from Alexander on Friday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2012.

**Upcoming Events:**

October 9<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup>: Fire Prevention Week  
October 15<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>: Bus Safety Week  
October 23<sup>rd</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> – Red Ribbon Week

## **Middle School BOE Report for 10/11/12**

- Regional Pre-Assessments are all complete and we are currently awaiting the data reports associated with each respective grade and content area.
- AIMS Web assessments are complete for Math grades 5-8 and ELA grades 5-6, teachers are currently completing 7-8 ELA.
- October 5<sup>th</sup> is our District PGC day at our Cluster school Alexander. Teachers will be working together from both schools as grade levels and departments breaking down pre-assessment data and state test scores to generate SLO's for required areas. Representatives from GVEP will be presenting to the group as a whole and Administrators from both buildings will facilitate small groups.
- September 26<sup>th</sup> was our scheduled Civil War Encampment sponsored by the Attica Historical Society with the help of Mrs. Beth Russell. A sample of grades from Sheldon, Prospect, Middle School and High School had opportunities to experience various centers provided through the encampment. Students expressed great interest and appropriately participated. A special thank you goes out to Mrs. Beth Russell and the Attica Historical Society for sponsoring this event.
- The Middle School completed our Open House on Thursday, September 27<sup>th</sup>. Parents and students were welcomed by the Middle School Staff and provided valuable information regarding expectations and procedures. Parents were also able to tour the Middle School complex and follow their child's daily schedule.
- Student Council speeches are scheduled for October 11<sup>th</sup> and voting to take place on October 12<sup>th</sup>. A special thank you to Mellissa Mitchell and Amelia Henderschott for taking charge as Student Council Advisors and organizing this successful process.
- October 12<sup>th</sup> marks the end of the first 5 weeks of school. Midterm reports will be mailed out on October 19<sup>th</sup>.
- October 19<sup>th</sup> is our first Fun Night of the year and is a 5/6 grade Fun Night from 6:00-8:00 PM.

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## **SHS BOE Report for 10/11/12**

- 10/4/12 – ACE Biology and Spanish V classes visited Kinder Kreek Alpaca farm to look at how genetic engineering is used in an authentic business situation. They will also gain a better understanding of the impact Alpaca farming has on Spanish speaking countries and Latin America. Approximately 35 students went on the trip.
- 10/12/12 – Participation in Government Classes will be attending a seminar at St. John Fisher College to discuss case studies involving the 1<sup>st</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 14<sup>th</sup> amendments. The workshop is sponsored by the ACLU and focuses on constitutional rights.
- 10/11/12 – GVEP Skilled Trades Fair & Open House, Batavia Campus from 5-7 pm. Discover career opportunities and understand the educational pathway necessary to become career ready.
- 9/24/12 – District Olweus Kick off Assembly. The Anti-Bully message was clearly defined and strategies were shared on the roles of all individuals. Meetings will continue during FLEX period and focus on current cases involving bullying. The SHS is using a multi-media approach with articles, videos, and case studies tied in with guided discussion questions specific to making positive changes to our school/community culture.
- The Guidance Department has begun their “College Fairs” to expose ACS students to representatives from different area colleges and universities. The Rochester/Finger Lakes schools came in at the end of September, and the WNY/Buffalo area schools will be in on 10/11/12.
- Regional assessments were given to inform teachers of where their students are in relation to the common core and content knowledge. This information, along with other data, was used on 10/5/12 at a joint Superintendent’s workshop with Alexander. BOCES representatives facilitated the day and worked to first inform and educate us on SLOs, then work with teachers in the development of their specific documents.
- 10/17/12 – PSAT will be given at the SHS beginning at 8:30 am. All procedures will be followed in the administration of these tests.
- Homecoming week concluded with a Friday night dance where over 300 students attended. The Seniors won the Float competition and all our sports teams played “inspired” with the extra school spirit. Thank you BOE members for judging the Float competition.

Thank you,

Ken Hammel