## Principal's Report to the School Board

The month of February was shortened due to winter vacation week with only three school weeks having passed since our Budget Hearing. We finally received enough snow to make the playground fun again and even had a snow day last month. This might have been the highlight for the students but probably not for the adults, for various reasons...

During this last half of the school year, teachers are working diligently in making sure that every student receives everything that they need for the highest possible progress and achievement. We are in full swing mode in curriculum coverage, instructional differentiation, while closely monitoring student progress. Our January test scores were a good indication that we are on the correct path in all of these areas and the remaining time till spring will be put to good use of instructional practices.

The transition to a new principal next year will require some thoughtful planning this spring. To that end, we have instituted two new teacher committees. The Professional Development (PD) Committee will collaboratively develop a plan for the activities during our PD day in May as well as the three summer days. These contractual professional development days will focus on our school goals and help the new principal learn how and what we do as a collegial team. The Master Schedule Committee will start their work after contracts are signed for next year and develop the day to day schedule that meets all of the professional obligations as well as planning for what is best for students.

Principal interviews were started this past month with plans to culminate in March. This exciting process is facilitated by our School Board Chair, Christi Gignac and fellow Board member, Amy Mullins. They are joined by seven other staff and community representatives who are volunteering many hours in this endeavor. We are extremely thankful to this wonderful group of folks who will help the School Board make their final decision.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions you may have regarding this report or with any other school related issue. Thank you for your continued support of our school.

Respectfully submitted,

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