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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT April 4, 2017

As we move beyond the successful town meeting it is time to really get to work on next year. We have more than 20 applicants for the Curriculum Coordinator position. I am forming an initial interview committee of four teachers that I will facilitate. It is my intention to begin the interview process the week of April 3rd with follow up interviews with administration to follow quickly. I have reached out to the staff as a whole to ask for interview questions if they have them so everyone can feel a part of the process. The RTI Coordinator/Integration teacher has 7 applicants, none from within the district. Tim O'Connell will be running the initial interview process with staff from his building. It is our hope to bring nominations to the Board no later than the first meeting in May.

The Master Schedule at the high school is near completion with the middle school to follow. The staff at WLC is working on balancing out sections to ensure that class sizes are appropriate. This may lead to some students not being able to take a specific elective that they originally chose. The probability of a freshman, sophomore or junior finding that elective again in future schedules is high. Once the schedule is complete I will inform the Board of those classes with small enrollments that we still intend to run.

If the Board chooses to accept the nomination list presented tonight, all open positions will be advertised as soon as possible. Any certified personnel who was not nominated was informed in writing as required in RSA 189:14-a. Contracts will be distributed by April 14. Staff will have until Wednesday, May 3rd to return signed contracts indicating their intention to return in the fall. Any contracts not returned by then will be considered void and we will begin the process to fill those positions.

I attended the second part of the legislative update sponsored by the New Hampshire Association of School Administrators on Monday, March 27. The current budget as it is being considered will have a decrease in Title IIA funds used for staff development. There is no clear dollar figure at this time. The federal government's budget appears to be reducing their Title I allocation to states, there is no clear dollar figure at this time.

Bills	ITL	Inexpedient to Legislate (Bill is essentially killed)
	OTP	Approved and moved on
	OTP/A	Approved with an amendment and moved on
	Retained in Committee	Most likely not to be brought up in this legislative session

- Senate Bill 193 is still of great concern, the bill establishing "education freedom savings accounts" for student attending charter schools, private schools or home schooling. This would essentially take away 90% of local adequacy funds for each individual student.
- HB 339 is a bill changing the definition of who can be reimbursed as a sending school for Career and Technical Education classes. This would give eligibility to Manchester and Nashua students who are transported within their own districts without increasing the total funding.

• Senate Bill 8 does not affect us at this time. "Croydon Bill" tuitioning public school students to private schools when no school option is available.

I attended the WLC concert that was postponed a few times on Thursday, March 23rd. The concert was attended by about 100 parents, family members and friends. The performances were good and this is a very promising look to the future of an expanded music program. A big thank you to Mr. Schneider for all of his work.

On Wednesday, March 29, I had a meeting with representatives of the Wilton Town Library to determine how we can work together to create programs for our students. I will have an update during the meeting on the fourth.

On April 10, I will be out of the district as a member of the Secondary School of Excellence selection committee.

Current participation in spring athletics:

Varsity Baseball	13
Varsity Softball	11
Varsity Boys Tennis	8
Varsity Girls Tennis	9
Combined Track	31
MS Baseball	14
MS Softball	14