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SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT March 7, 2017

I have been working with the SAU staff and the building administrators to complete the presentation for the Town Meeting on March 11. The power point presentation will be given to you in advance. I have put letters to the editor in both the Cabinet and Ledger inviting the public to the meeting. I have also used the email system in the district to allow parents to become familiar with the warrant articles and encouraged them to attend the meeting.

On Tuesday, February 28 I met with the moderator for our town meeting, Walter Holland. We spoke about the protocols for the meeting to ensure that things will move forward as the meeting progresses. We spoke of some past history of meetings and our expectations for March 11.

On Wednesday, March 22, the NH Department of Education will be visiting the district for a School Approval Visit to look at Adequate Public Education Standards specifically for the middle school. The Input Based Accountability System (IBAS) included the data the DOE requests annually. Brian Bagley and I met with the DOE representative Keith Burke to discuss the visit and the process that would be followed. The visit will take about 4 hours with a team of 5-8 people coming to meet with staff, students and parents. There will be a request coming for school board members to participate as required.

On Thursday, March 2nd I attended a legislative work session for House Bill 647 as the discussion continues regarding funds being transferred to private schools, charter schools and home schooling institutions.

The week of February 20th was recognized as Read Across America Week. I was pleased to read to the morning and afternoon Kindergarten classes. Of all the things I get to do, this is one of the most special.

On Tuesday, February 28, I continued a long time tradition for me inviting the custodial staff along with the road crews from both Lyndeborough and Wilton for lunch. There was corn chowder, chili and corn bread for all. Both Russ Boland and Scott Butcher, Town Managers, came as well. This has always been my way to say thank you to those who serve our school and community in a very quiet but important way.

The Boys Varsity Basketball team lost in the first round of the playoffs in a close game again at Colebrook. The team was down and struggling at one point but they played with a great deal of heart coming back from a ten point deficit taking a brief lead in the fourth quarter. There was a good sized contingent of Warrior fans there making the more than 3 hour drive to get there. The boys should be congratulated on strong season and a great effort in their final game.