

- Only two candidates filed to run for the open board seats. Since there are only two open seats, no election will be held, and Mark McWilliams and Mike Molsen will be considered to be elected/appointed to terms beginning July 1, 2017 and ending June 30, 2020.
- D38 Board of Education President Sherry Hawkins

toured MA for nearly two hours with MA board member Matt Dunston and Executive Director Griffin.

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The next meeting will be on Thursday, June 15 at the Monument Academy library at 1150 Village Ridge Point. The Monument Academy usually meets at 6 p.m. on the

second Thursday of each month. Information on the MA School Board, including schedule, minutes, committees, and finances can be found at <http://www.monumentacademy.net/school-board>.

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**Lewis-Palmer D-38 Board of Education, May 18**

# New principal approved; per-pupil revenue to rise

By Harriet Halbig

The May 18 meeting of the Lewis-Palmer D-38 Board of Education was abbreviated due to inclement weather. Because of a snowstorm earlier in the day, a number of agenda items were postponed until the June meeting. At this meeting, a new principal was approved and the board heard that the district's per-pupil revenue will increase significantly for the next school year.

**Principal approved**

The board approved the appointment of Tony Karr to the office of principal at Lewis-Palmer High School.

Superintendent Karen Brofft introduced Karr as a current assistant principal at Palmer Ridge High School. She said that Karr acknowledges that each school has its own identity and that he will respect this fact. Karr also has been a dean of students and has worked in a number of districts.

**Per-pupil revenue jumps**

Assistant Superintendent Cheryl Wangeman said per-pupil revenue for the upcoming year will be \$53 per student higher than anticipated, making available \$289,000 in unanticipated revenue. She asked the board to discuss the use of this revenue in August.

**District Accountability Advisory Committee report**

District Accountability Advisory Committee (DAAC) Co-chairs Melissa Hinton and Anne-Marie Hasstedt reported on DAAC activities during the 2016-17 school year. Among their goals was an emphasis on two-way communication between the committee and individual schools. They received updates from liaisons to the board and administration and from various committees. DAAC created a teacher assessment subcommittee this year to examine the process in detail and supported a waiver of the October deadline for charter school applications.

In the coming year, the committee looks forward to participating in the long-term planning process.

**Superintendent update**

Brofft reported on the district response to that day's snow emergency, stating that a prime consideration was the continuation ceremony for students at Lewis-Palmer Middle School. Once students had reached school, she thought it important for the ceremony to continue, while allowing parents to pick up their children early if they wished.

She outlined plans for teacher training during the summer, including training in social media for secretaries and others.

Brofft also announced that the district's technology department was recognized by Extreme Networks as an Exemplary District and a "visionary 21st century learning environment" and for enabling personalized education through technology. Only two districts nationwide receive this award each year.

Wangeman reported that the consent agenda included an item regarding a Building Excellent Schools Today (BEST) grant for repair of the roof at Palmer Lake Elementary School. The grant will cover 35 percent of the \$599,000 cost. These grants are available to schools that are fully utilized and have been in continuous use for 20 years or longer, and are to be applied to the building.

Wangeman reported that previous estimates for enrollment appear sound.

She said that the Long-range Planning Committee has requested a feasibility study to be performed over the summer before presenting a report and recommendations to the board.

Board Secretary Mark Pfoff said that in the past the board had asked for options, not recommendations, and that he wished to see all things considered by the committee. He said that he feels that he hasn't seen enough to understand where the committee is going and stressed that the budget must be approved in June. He wishes to see the committee's charter and the expectations held by the board.

Brofft responded that RTA (the consultant overseeing the process) gave a presentation on its process at the time it was hired. There will be a report on the analysis

of information and a list of viable scenarios in August.

**2017-18 budget process review**

Wangeman gave a brief presentation on the budget process for 2017-18. She said that because the School Finance Act was not finalized by the Legislature until May 11, figures presented to the board were not up to date. She requested that the board approve the budget as previously presented and discuss the per-pupil revenue increase in August.

The board passed a consent agenda consisting of

**El Paso County Sheriff's Office report**

# April crimes in Sheriff's District 1

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The following information was compiled from the monthly El Paso County Sheriff's Office (EPSO) Neighborhood News. OCN's report covers only EPSO District 1 and does not include criminal activity from the Town of Monument, the Town of Palmer Lake, or Colorado Springs addresses:

- Arson: 19500 block Hidden Springs Gln.
- Burglary: 14400 block Tierra Dr.
- Criminal Mischief: I-25/N. Academy Blvd.
- Criminal Trespass: 15200 block Paddington Cir.
- Criminal Trespass Auto: 2100 block Stella Dr., 18000 block Furrow Rd., 100 block Avocet Lp., 500 block Portland Rd.
- Manslaughter: 19800 block Alexandria Dr.
- Motor Vehicle Theft: 16200 block Rickenbacker Ave.

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El Paso County Sheriff's Office Dispatch (non-emergency crime reporting): 390-5555.

EPSO Telephone Reporting System (for minor crimes without suspect information): 520-7111.

EPSO Traffic Hotline (for reporting problem areas or traffic violations): 390-5555 option 5.

EPSO Tip Line (for reporting suspicious activity or the location of wanted persons): 520-7777 Always remember to report criminal activity or suspicious behavior promptly.

For more information, contact the Crime Prevention Coordinator: Merody Broom 719-520-7151 [MerodyBroom@elpasoco.com](mailto:MerodyBroom@elpasoco.com)

**Friends of Monument Preserve Board of Directors, May 10**

# Volunteers needed to protect open space

By Friends of Monument Preserve

Friends of Monument Preserve (FOMP) is a nonprofit organization whose mission is to preserve and enhance the 1,000 acres of open space surrounding the Monument Fire Center on Mt. Herman Road. The facility itself was originally built as a U.S. Forest Service tree nursery in 1907 and was used in that capacity until 1965. Today the Pike Interagency Hotshot Firefighting crews live and work there, responding to fires throughout the West.

FOMP was organized to assist the U.S. Forest Service in preserving the land in as natural state as possible while still allowing for a wide variety of recreational uses. Members and supporters live near the preserve or use it on a regular basis. Supporters can simply donate funds—used to support various projects—or participate in volunteer activities. FOMP maintains a website at [www.fomp.org](http://www.fomp.org), distributes a newsletter, and sends announcements via email for trail maintenance nights and other programs.

FOMP members and volunteers sponsor numerous projects throughout the year to maintain the trail system and protect the wildlife habitat and the historic significance of the area. They focus on:

- Trail maintenance, such as digging water bars and re-routing trails.
- Organizing and assisting with area cleanups.
- Forest husbandry, such as planting pine seedlings in burn sites and seedling release in deforested areas.
- Helping local scouting and 4-H clubs in community service projects.
- Serving the annual Hotshots potluck dinner during spring training to welcome crews back to the area each year.

Interested in volunteering? Visit the website to add your name to the email list and find information on trail nights and other activities. Ask questions at [info@fomp.org](mailto:info@fomp.org).

Meet at the Mt. Herman Trailhead every second Wednesday of the month at 6 p.m. to participate in trail work nights on June 14, July 12, Aug. 9, and Sept. 13.

By joining the group, you'll have a greater understanding of the historical and archeological importance of the area. Plus, you will be supporting and protecting a

treasured local resource.

The next FOMP Board of Directors meeting is scheduled for Oct. 11. ■



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