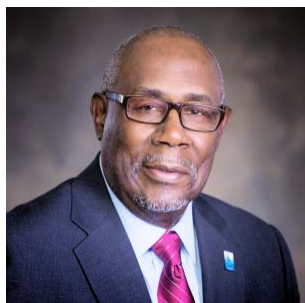


BEYOND THE BOARD ROOM

AN INITIATIVE OF THE MILWAUKEE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

APRIL 2017



WENDELL J. HARRIS, SR.
School Board Director
District 2

A NOTE FROM DIRECTOR WENDELL J. HARRIS, SR.

Last month I was happy to have had the opportunity to read to fourth-grade students at Eighty-Fifth Street School as part of Read Across America Day. Read Across America celebrates the birthday of Dr. Seuss and encourages children to read. This event was a great opportunity to connect with the students I was elected to represent. I was thrilled to have the opportunity to motivate students to increase their reading time and to appreciate the education they are obtaining on a daily basis. I encourage students, families, and community members to continue to support, praise, and motivate our students to incorporate reading into their daily routines. Doing so will help increase their confidence in their reading abilities, expand their imagination, and increase their vocabulary. Reading is an essential component of success in school and beyond and should be celebrated not just on Read Across America Day, but every day.

SPOTLIGHT ON DISTRICT 2 GRANTOSA DRIVE SCHOOL



Grantosa Drive School recently held a family movie night with more than 50 families participating. Grantosa Drive scholars voted on which movie they would like to view but were not given advance notice of which movie would be shown. For the night of the event families were encouraged to wear their pajamas and bring their sleeping bags and pillows. The staff also used the event to serve as a tool to promote literacy. Each participant was given an age-appropriate book to take

home to encourage students and families to increase their reading time. Grantosa Drive School offers a traditional program to students in grades K4 through 8.

UPCOMING MEETINGS MILWAUKEE BOARD OF SCHOOL DIRECTORS

Special Board Meeting **April 6**
6:30 PM

Committee on Student
Achievement & School
Innovation **April 11**
5:30 PM

Committee on Parent &
Community Engagement **April 18**
5:30 PM

Committee on
Accountability,
Finance & Personnel **April 18**
6:30 PM

Regular Monthly
Board Meeting **April 20**
6:30 PM

Annual Organizational
Meeting **April 25**
6:30 PM

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