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Gwinn Area Community Schools Continues Stabilization Plan

The Gwinn Area Community Schools continues to move forward with their plan to stabilize the district. The Business Manager position has been filled with Amy Finkbeiner along with the support team of Terri Brintlinger and Mary Kay Johnson. This team has been working with the Gwinn Schools for the past six months in the reorganization of the business office and will continue to add strength to our financial policies and needs. Brad Pfluger was named principal of Gwinn Middle/High School starting January 29, 2018. He replaces Sandra Petrovich who was named Superintendent of the Gwinn Area Community Schools on December 5, 2017. Former Superintendent Tom Jayne retires February 15, 2018.

The School Board will approve a revised 2017-2018 budget at the January 15, 2018, Board meeting. The budget cuts thus far this school year have allowed us to balance this 2017-2018 budget. This is the first phase of our three step plan towards a financially stable district.

The work ahead for the district includes developing a deficit elimination plan, as the \$406,000 fund balance deficit from the 2016-2017 school year remains, along with building a long-term positive fund balance. We are confident that watchful spending, future budget cuts, and increasing revenue sources will allow us to accomplish this within the next 3 to 5 years.

The next regularly scheduled Board of Education meeting will be held in the Gwinn High School Library on January 15, 2018, at 6:30 p.m.

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