Alvord ISD Family: I have some highlights for you from the October 25, 2022 school board meeting.

<u>Principals Appreciation Month</u> – Elementary Principal Jamie Mitchell, Middle School Principal Jessica Bull, and High School Principal Aaron Tefertiller were recognized for their service to our students, staff, parents, and community.

<u>Facilities Update</u> – Alvord ISD Director of Operations Charlie Mann gave an update on the Intermediate Campus renovation project. The contractors are making good progress, we are on schedule and within the budget. A security fence was recently installed at the High School Ag Shop at a cost of \$14,261. One of the original HVAC Units on the High School Gym needs to be replaced. We have ordered the unit which will cost \$32,561, but don't expect to receive it for 8 to 9 months. We hope the unit is delivered and installed before graduation and other end of the school year events held each year in the High School Gym.

<u>Project Agreement with Wise County</u> – the board considered an agreement with Wise County to pave the area north of the admin building to serve as a parking lot for the elementary and admin building at a projected cost of \$51,000. The board asked for more information about other facility needs in the district and took no action on the agreement. This project will be considered in the future along with several other facility needs.

<u>Budget Amendment for AED Devices</u> – a budget amendment of \$17,603 was approved to replace 10 AED (Automated External Defibrillator) older units throughout the district. The amendment will also allow for the purchase of 5 additional AED units in critical need areas.

<u>Custodian Pay Increase</u> – we have struggled to fully staff our custodial department. The board approved a \$1 an hour pay increase in an effort to recruit and retain custodians. The pay increase will be in effect November 1st.

<u>Changes to Local Board Policies</u> – the board approved revised versions of CKC, CKE, DEC, and DH local board policies needed due to our plans to create the Alvord ISD Police Department.

Board Training – Kathy Ferrell from ESC 11 led us in our annual Team of 8 board training.

Dr. Randy Brown Alvord ISD Superintendent