

Kentfield School District Board Meeting Highlights
January 14, 2014

The Educational Showcase featured teachers, Jerene Donovan and Peter Goetz, presenting Social Studies units from the first and sixth grades with the help of several of their students. The first graders shared how they learned about economics through the study of apples while the sixth graders explained how they compared and contrasted class differences in ancient Egypt and modern times.

The District Calendar for school year 2014-15 was approved. School will start on Monday, August 25 and end on Friday, June 12. The calendar will be posted on the District website.

District Business Manager Barbara Johnson shared the good news about the Governor's proposed budget and its commitment to education. Districts are cautioned against making budget plans based on the Governor's proposal due to its a starting point in the six-month budget debate. There is optimism, however, that at least some of the \$10 billion in new money earmarked for education will actually find its way into classrooms.

The Board approved a contract with Jim Brown of Leadership Associates to provide external facilitation of the District's Strategic Planning process scheduled for this Spring. Mr. Brown has worked with the District on its current plan, which is due for an overhaul. District administration, Board, and parent and teacher leaders will begin meeting later this month.