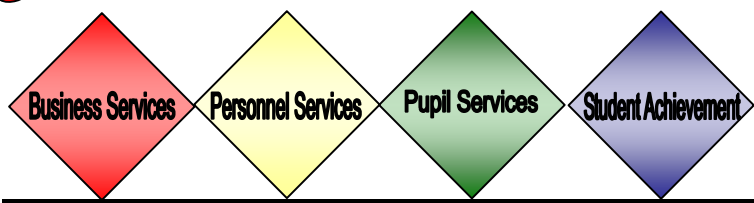




# School District of New London



## MONTHLY UPDATE

By: Bill Fitzpatrick  
District Administrator  
Date: December 2010

### Election Timelines

The following is a timeline for the spring Board election:

December 24 (Friday)	Deadline for Non-Candidacy for Incumbent
January 4 (Tuesday)	Deadline for filing for school board 5:00 PM
January 11 (Tuesday)	Verification of Declarations of Candidacy Drawing of lots for Ballot Order Notify Clerks of Election
March 14 (Monday)	Deadline for supplying municipal clerks with ballots
March 28 (Monday)	Send notice of election to Press
April 4 (Monday)	Publish notice of election

The Board members who are up for re-election are Keith Steckbauer and Kim Schroeder. If any Board members have any questions, please contact Jill Willner.

### Strategic Planning Date

I would like to conduct our winter planning session on Wednesday, January 26. The planning session is meant to review our strategic plan and goals. It is time for us to commit to a new three year strategic plan and to develop a new set of annual goals that will continue to provide guidance and direction to the district. This planning activity will take the better part of a day. Please reserve the day from 12:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. Following this planning session, we will meet for dinner with the executive board of the New London Education Association.

### Substitute

I recently received an e-mail from Dave Neumann. Dave has served as a substitute teacher in our system since his retirement from the New London Police force. At the time of his retirement he was the City of New London Chief of Police. Not ready to step away from a service oriented life and eager for another challenge, Dave secured a substitute teacher license and began in that capacity in our schools in 1999. Most of his help was provided to the middle school students. He is now ready for yet another challenge and will no longer be available as a sub. I would like to thank Dave and the many other individuals who fill in as a teacher on a moment's notice. I would also like to wish him well on his second retirement.

### Fox Valley Technical College Board Appointment

The process by which new members are appointed to the FVTC Board of Trustees involves the presidents of each of the local school districts within the FVTC district. It is a process that begins this month and concludes with a formal meeting of the K-12 Board Presidents in March. I have included a timeline for the appointment process. This year the meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, March 23 at 5:30 p.m.

### Final Meeting for Mr. Yerkey

After 41 years of dedicated service to the School District of New London, I find it fitting that the lion's share of the December 20<sup>th</sup> agenda is related to final business functions out of his office. A gift from the Board of Education was presented to Dick at his surprise retirement party orchestrated by his wife Barb and son Brian on Friday, December 10. We want to wish him the very best during his retirement just as he gave us his very best as Director of Business Services. His final official day of employment will be December 31, 2010. Dick has had several conversations with his replacement, Mr. Joseph Marquardt, who will start in his new role on January 3, 2011.

### Holiday Office Schedule

Due to where the winter holidays fall, the district office hours are as follows.

- Wednesday, December 22 open from 7:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.
- Thursday, December 23 open from 7:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.
- Friday, December 24 through Tuesday, December 28* **CLOSED**
- Wednesday, December 29 open from 7:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.
- Thursday, December 30 open from 7:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.
- Friday, December 31 through January 2* **CLOSED**
- January 3 return to regular office hours 7:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.

On behalf of the entire school district staff, may I wish you a peaceful holiday season. Thank you for your continued support for the educational needs of the children we serve each day. May we enjoy a productive new year together.

