The Spotlight on Education segment highlighted EACS’ Career Major Academy’s at each of our high schools. The CMA initiative has become a major focus on the secondary level as EACS strives to improve student achievement and focus on developing EACS graduates who will be strong contributors to our area work force. Judy VanFossen, EACS’ CMA Consultant, introduced representatives from each of our high schools, along with a student intern and their mentor. Each intern and mentor shared how the mentorship has impacted them.

President Terry and Dr. Novotny presented a memento to outgoing Board Member, Vice President Ken Eytcheson, for his eight years of service on the Board and to the district. Fellow Board Members and administrators thanked him for his valuable contributions to the school district. Mr. Eytcheson shared some parting words with everyone and was treated to a standing ovation.

Dr. Novotny announced new building administrator appointments for the 2008-09SY:
- Marilyn Hissong, current Principal of HIEL has been appointed Principal of HOEL,
- Teresa Knoblauch, current Asst. Principal of HIEL has been appointed Principal of HIEL.

In light of the need to replace flooring in some of our facilities in the near future, CFO Kirby Stahly and Director of Facilities Doug Roemer presented information concerning floor covering options and guidelines.

Dr. Novotny provided a sample of what the final product of a School Improvement Plan will look like. Twelve of our schools are ready to submit their plans for NCA re-accreditation. The plans have been reviewed by Administrators. Final plans will be presented to the Board for approval at the June 17th Board meeting.

Authorization was given to the Superintendent to appoint certain building admin. positions.

**RECOGNITIONS**

**NHMS students & staff recently collected $500 for the victims of the cyclone in Myanmar.**

**New Haven Middle School** held ‘We Care Week’ at their school. It was a week set aside to pay tribute specifically to soldiers and military personnel in Iraq who have family members that attend NHMS (approximately 10 students are personally affected). The week was full of different themed activities and fundraisers each day. All the money raised was used to purchase ‘wish list’ items for the military relatives stationed in Iraq. Area businesses were also very generous in giving donations. The local National Guard supplied a humvee, a parade jet, and other military vehicles, as well as a jet flyover. Teachers Beth Bixby and Bill Jacobs were instrumental in making arrangements.

**Sixty-eight Cedarville Elementary students participated in Math-a-thon, raising $2,672.15 for the St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital**

**LEHS’s choir, under the direction of Joan Phillips have received commendation for being first class ambassadors and for their notable talents and exemplary behavior during their participation in the Festivals of Music event.**

**Leo Elementary School bus driver Pattie Hess was collecting money for the Relay for Life Cancer Walk. The students on her bus decided to join in and they raised over $420.00.**

**Dr. James Hendrix, EACS’ Title I Administrator and PHHS teacher and coach Al Gooden, were recently named “Influential Educators of the Year” by Ink Publications.**