

Date: January 28, 2020
To: School Board
From: Jeremy Schmidt
RE: Meeting Notes, February 3, 2020

2A. Superintendent's Report

1. Regular meetings have been taking place with school district administrators and directors to continue focus on their goals and support within their school buildings or areas. The executive team consisting of building principals, Director of Technology, and Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction met for a day long retreat to work on staff development goals and planning for the 2020-2021 school year with a focus on personalized learning. Our next step will be to ask for staff input for topics and ideas to enhance their learning opportunities. We will meet again to work out a plan to cover 2020-2021 staff development and training.

2. District Goal Update:

Kevin (Director of Finance), Rick (Director of Buildings and Grounds), and I met with a variety of facility consultants to aid our district in the 2019-2020 School Board Strategic Goal to:

"Develop a long-term facilities plan, which considers student enrollment projections and bond debt levies."

We will select a consultant to work with Rick to assess facility needs. This will involve a number of stakeholders. The results of this will be shared at a later board meeting and followed by financing analysis of bond debt levies and student enrollment projections.

Recently the MN Department of Education has not supported the use of Z-scores to relay testing results for MN schools. Therefore, our district goal of increasing Z-scores has hit a slight bump in the road. While we will continue the goal for the 2019-2020 school year, I would like the school board to consider changing our goal and the entire format for the 2020-2021 school year. I am proposing a work session in March to discuss district vision and goal setting.

I am looking for a process that will aid the directors and other staff to create more specific goals under board direction.

3. MSBA Officers' Workshops are taking place throughout February. Each board member should have received an email from MSBA. If you would like to register for a training, please contact Angel with the date and location you would like to attend.

3. Consent Agenda

D. I recommend approving the personnel actions as presented.

E. Policy 706 Acceptance of Gifts permits the school board to accept donations or gifts under the terms of the policy. I recommend accepting the gifts as described on the enclosure.

F. I recommend approving the enclosed resolution directing the administration to propose the discontinuance of positions and/or programs for the next school year. The school board approves the resolution each February authorizing the administration to review all programs and positions in developing budget recommendations for the next school year.

H. I recommend approving November 9th, 2020 as the November regular meeting date. This change will allow for canvas of votes to be completed during the regular meeting rather than holding a special meeting for canvassing only. Discussion of other potential changes.

4. Set up a date for a board work session.