

The August 10, 2023, Work Session, was called to order at 6:37 pm by Board Chairperson, Gary Michael.

The following members were in attendance: Jeff Stangler, Gary Michael, Troy Tolzman, and June Rezac

Superintendent John Regan was also in attendance.

Approval of Agenda: Motion by Stangler, seconded by Tolzman to approve the agenda. Motion declared passed.

Information/Discussion

A. Operating Referendum: Regan presented the update from the legislative session regarding the operating referendum. Minnesota Statue, Section 126c.1 allows school boards to renew an existing operating referendum one-time for the same term and amount. Members reviewed the current operating referendum, the current payout, and the expiration period of the current operating referendum. To approve the existing referendum for another 10 years, a public meeting would need to be held with public comment allowed. A comparison of school property taxes, payable in 2023 for area communities was studied. All information associated with the operating referendum.

B. Superintendent Goals: Superintendent Goals were reviewed.

Members determined:

Goal 1 Provide leadership to strengthen staff communications and relationships.

Goal 2 Provide leadership to update facilities.

Interim Superintendent Regan would be asked to provide evidence to the board of goal achievement/progress by December 2023. Members agreed these Superintendent Goals and Standards would be an action item at the regular August Board meeting.

C. Interim Superintendent Plan: Members determined they would advise Regan of their decision on the status of the Superintendent position no later than the November Regular Board Meeting.

D. Nexus Facilities: Soonest Nexus will have a report will be March. Discussed 800,000 Bond dollars, health and safety dollars, long-term facilities dollars, and how best to leverage. Reviewed when current building referendum dollars fall off property taxes. Reviewed comparison of school property taxes, current property taxes payable in 2023. Discussed Auditorium.

E. Policies

The following policies were reviewed for the second time:

Policy 208-Regan recommended changing V. section D. ...review policies once every ~~three~~ five years... This recommendation is based on the number of policies we have; we could average them out and give them the proper review period.

- After some debate between 3-5 years, the members agreed they would go with the change of five years.

Policy 426 changes as written

Policy 506 changes as written

Policy 722 changes as written

F. Adjournment: motion by Stangler seconded by Tolzman to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 pm. Motion declared passed.

Attest: June A. Rezac