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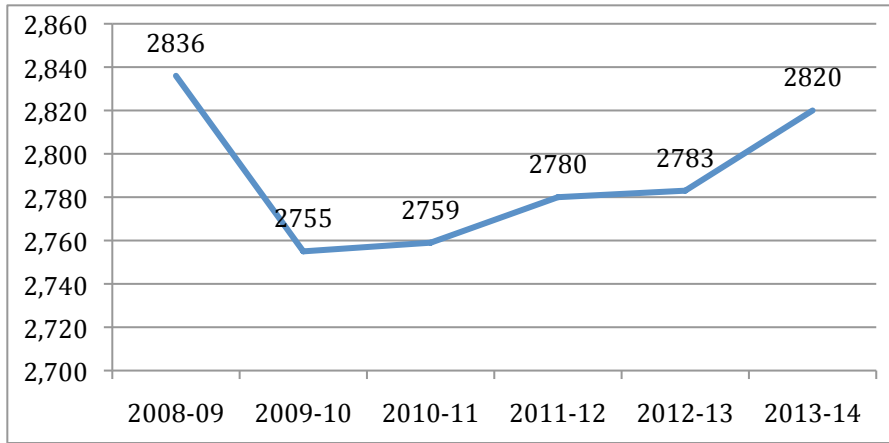
To: School Board

From: Dr. Malone

RE: Meeting Notes, October 14, 2013

2A. Superintendent's Report

- i. The school district has been working with SAVE (Suicide Awareness Voices of Education) to provide social-emotional support for our students. SAVE provides research-based and best practice recommendations to prevent suicides.
 - A number of high school students participated in a discussion during the last week in August. Tom Sternamon, from the Sherburne County Sheriff's Office, Erica Sande, high school counselor, and Mark Kolbinger, asst. high school principal, facilitated the discussion. The discussion format used the SAVE protocol.
 - A SAVE representative provided training for all school staff on August 27th.
 - The high school teachers are providing some SAVE materials to all high school students during advisory time.
 - A Healthy Community Event is scheduled for October 24th. A resource fair will take place from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Sherburne County, the school, churches, and other resources will have tables, information, and personnel available during the resource fair. The program will begin at 6:30 and include an introduction from me, the national SAVE director, and a panel discussion. An informational flier is enclosed.
- ii. MDE released the MMR (Multiple Measurement Rating) for Minnesota's Public Schools on October 1st. The 2012 and 2013 results for Becker Schools are enclosed.
- iii. The PK-12 October 1 enrollment for the school district is 2,820 in comparison to 2,783 last year. The six year October 1 enrollment history is shown below:



3. Consent Agenda

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.** The dollar amount of the gift from Dylan’s Hope will be announced by Ryan Obermoller during Agenda item 1, D. Recognition Of Visitors And Public Forum.

F. Policy 511 Student Fundraising requires that “The superintendent shall report to the board, at least annually, on the nature and scope of student fundraising activities approved pursuant to this policy.” Each fundraising activity has completed the Fundraiser Request Form and has been approved by the Advisor, Principal, and Superintendent. **I recommend accepting the Annual Fundraising Report.**

G. **I recommend approving the Student Extended Trip for the high school band, June 8-13, as presented.** The proposal was developed in accordance with Policy 566 Student Extended Trip Policy. The proposal complies with the requirements of the policy.

H. MDE requires school boards to receive the Annual Report of Curriculum, Instruction, and Student Performance. The enclosed report provides standardized testing information relative to the 2012-13 school year.

4. Joe Prom will present information regarding the preliminary payable 2014 levy. The preliminary levy is projected to decrease by 8.8%.

5. The board should continue to develop strategic goals for 2014-15. Options have been developed resulting from the board’s discussion last month. I am recommending the goals in **bold** (enclosures).