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**TO:** Northeast Metro 916 Board of Education  
**FROM:** Connie Hayes  
**DATE:** September 2, 2015  
**RE:** September 1 Board of Education Meeting Talking Points

Members present: Auge'-622, Brunnette-833, Forsberg-16, Lindblad-14, Newberg-624, Palmer-13, Ptacek-834, Sager-621, Schwartz-832 and Theisen-831. Members absent: Edstrom-623 and Lodico-12.

Among a number of topics discussed at the September 1, 2015 meeting of the Northeast Metro 916 School Board, the following agenda items were addressed:

1. **916 Education Foundation:** Gary Benson, president of the 916 Education Foundation, presented the School Board with an overview of the Foundation's giving programs during the last school year, as well as membership information for the upcoming year. In 2014-15, the Foundation gave a total of \$86,405 towards student scholarships, student and staff recognition programs and teaching and learning related program grants.
2. **ALC Credit Recovery Program:** ALC Principals/Managers Kristin (KJ) Hauge and Ann Peterson provided a summary of the ALC summer school programming that took place at East View Academy, Metro Heights Academy and the Columbia Heights satellite location. Each location included many students from both Northeast Metro 916 ALCs and member district ALCs, who in total earned 518.6 credits. The online curriculum aligned with state standards and allowed students to earn partial credits that can be completed in night school or the upcoming summer school session.
3. **Non-Conventional E/BD Licensure Program:** Megan McAllister, staffing coordinator, presented an update of the Non-Conventional E/BD Licensure Program partnership with the University of Minnesota. The program received final approval from the Minnesota Board of Teaching in June 2015 and is now an official licensure program that can be replicated by the University of Minnesota. The current cohort of students will be completing their second and final year of the program and through a generous grant from The Bentson Foundation, each participant will receive \$17,300 to cover tuition and cost of living expenses. Recruitment and planning has begun for a second cohort to begin in fall 2016.
4. **Replacement of Capitol View Center:** The School Board approved a resolution adopting implementation of the replacement of Capitol View Center. In May 2015, LSE Architects presented the School Board with the best two options to address the deferred maintenance, redesign or replacement of the Capitol View Center and recommended the replacement or rebuilding of the Capitol View Center as soon as practicable. The project was approved for a total of \$42 million and planning and design work will continue with a tentative completion date of fall 2018.

5. **Pankalo Education Center Financing:** The School Board approved the parameters for selling of the Certificates of Participation for the financing of the Pankalo Education Center in Lake Elmo. The Director of Administrative Services is designated to sign off on the sale parameters on the date of the sale as has been past practice. Dorsey Whitney is bond counsel for this transaction.

You can find the full September 1 board agenda at: <http://www.nemetro.k12.mn.us/Page/2733>