## Memo

**To:** Board of Trustees

From: Rob Sauer

**Date:** 2/7/2024

Re: Superintendents Board Report

## **Updates**

- The legislative process has been delayed some as there has been infighting with JFAC (Joint Finance Appropriations Committee). The budgeting has slowed down as they navigate the new process and some rebellion by committee members. Very little has been done in the way of education legislation. However, there are some pieces of legislation that have been introduced that could have a very big impact on our school district.
- One of the bills that's been introduced is HB 415. The bill passed the House and moved to the Senate on January 31st. This legislation, if fully approved in its current form, would allow school staff to carry a gun on school grounds. It's possible that this legislation will be modified on the Senate side. A few concerns this issue seems like it should be addressed at the local level by the locally elected officials and staff. Volunteers are allowed to carry as we understand it. The training is only the eight hours of concealed carry which is required every five years. School trustees don't need to know who is carrying according to the legislation. We will watch this closely and work on a plan for our district however this turns out. Full disclosure, we are gun owners and have guns in our home. I just want to make sure this is all done in the most thoughtful way possible.