

School Board Work Session Tuesday, October 22, 2024; 5:00 PM ECC Room 350

I. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order

II. Approval of Agenda

III. Discussion

A. 2024-2025 Enrollment, Class Size and Marketing Information Report <u>Description</u>: This report provides enrollment and class size information for Edina Public Schools for the past school year, and was updated with the October 1, 2024 student counts; marketing efforts related to enrollment, and financial implications of enrollment on the school district budget.

<u>Presenter(s)</u>: Nathan Swenson, Assistant Superintendent; Daphne Edwards, Director of Marketing and Communications; Jen Christ, Enrollment Coordinator; and Mert Woodard, Director of Finance and Operations

B. Pupil Transportation Vehicle Fleet Electrification Update

Description: In May of 2024 the United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") announced an award of nearly \$22,000,000 to 15 Minnesota School Districts as part of the EPA's 2024 Clean School Bus Rebate Program. The program, funded by the federal Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, aims to accelerate the transition to zero emissions vehicles and to replace existing school buses. The District was among the 15 school districts selected and has been awarded funding for two electric buses. The award is for a total of \$400,000, with a maximum of \$200,000 per bus. Receiving funding is contingent upon the District "scrapping" an equivalent number of traditional buses that are currently in service.

Presenter(s): Mert Woodard, Director of Finance and Operations

IV. Action

A. Ratification of Sale – General Obligation Facilities Maintenance, Capital Notes, and Alternative Facilities and School Building Refunding Bonds, Series 2024A <u>Description</u>: At the September 9, 2024, regular meeting, the Board of Education passed a resolution authorizing the District administration, its municipal advisors, and a Board of Education officer, under specified conditions, to take proposals and execute the sale of general obligation facilities maintenance, capital notes, and alternative facilities and school building refunding bonds to finance a portion of the District's long-term facilities maintenance plan, certain fixed asset purchases, and refund the Series 2014A and Series 2015A bonds. The resolution also provided that the accepted proposal would be ratified by the Board of Education at a regular or special meeting on the first practicable date after acceptance by the authorized officials.

Presenter(s): Mert Woodard, Director of Finance and Operations

Recommendation: Approve the resolution ratifying the award of the sale, determining the form and details, authorizing the execution, delivery, and registration of the General Obligation Facilities Maintenance, Capital Notes, and Alternative Facilities and School Building Refunding Bonds, Series 2023A.

B. School District 2025 Health Insurance Contributions for Community Education Program Specialists, Leads, and Assistants; Confidential, Supervisory, and Technical Employees; and Non-Affiliated Employees

Description: Edina Public Schools has eleven (11) employee groups. Seven (7) of those employee groups collectively bargain their terms and conditions of employment resulting in tentative agreements that are presented to the School Board for approval. Four (4) of those employee groups do not engage in collective bargaining for their terms and conditions of employment, with their compensation and benefits recommended by the School District and approved by the School Board. The District is currently recommending an increase to its monthly contributions towards health insurance for three (3) of those employee groups, namely Community Education Program Specialists, Leads, and Assistants ("Community Education"); Confidential, Supervisory, and Technical Employees ("CST"); and Non-Affiliated Employees ("Non-Affiliated"). **Presenter(s)**: Sonya Sailer, Executive Director of Human Resources; and Mert Woodard, Director Finance and Operations

Recommendation: Approve the proposed District 2025 health insurance contributions for the Community Education, CST, and Non-Affiliated Employee Groups..

- V. Leadership and Committee Updates
- VI. Superintendent Updates
- VII. Adjournment