

FOREST LAKE AREA SCHOOLS FOREST LAKE, MN 55025

June 26, 2014

AGENDA ITEM: 10.1

TOPIC: REQUEST FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO IMPLEMENT THE WORLD'S BEST WORKFORCE (WBWF) DISTRICT PLAN

BACKGROUND: Minnesota Statutes 2013, sections 120B.11 define requirements for school board adoption of a "comprehensive, long term strategic plan to support and improve teaching and learning that is aligned with creating the world's best workforce." This plan will serve as the umbrella document for strategic goals that are already identified in individual plans such as the district staff development plan, federal Title I and Title II program applications, the district Achievement and Integration plan, Q-Comp plan, Teacher Development and Evaluation plan, School Readiness plan, Reading Well by Third Grade plan, and Career and College Readiness programming.

PROCESS: The Minnesota Department of Education will provide guidance to districts in formulating a district plan that will report goals and progress towards those goals on an annual basis. Identified in the legislation are five key areas/goals to be included in the plan and reporting.

- 1) All students meet school readiness goals
- 2) All 3rd grade students achieve grade level literacy
- 3) The achievement gap among all subgroups will be closed
- 4) All students graduate from high school
- 5) All students attain college and career preparedness

In order to ensure community engagement in the development and review of the WBWF plan, the school board is charged with establishing an advisory committee that reflects the diversity of the district and its school sites. This advisory committee will make recommendations to the school board regarding rigorous academic standards, along with student achievement goals, and measures.

RECOMMENDATION: Approval of the establishment of the World's Best Workforce Advisory Committee to be facilitated by Jennifer Tolzmann.