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School Board Meeting Agenda Item

Topic: Teleconferencing Meetings
Contact(s):
Presenter(s): Karsten Anderson, Superintendent

Nature of Action Requested by Board

Board action
Board information or scheduled report

Background Information

Federal and state emergency declarations provide guidance about limiting person-to-person contact due to the COVID-19 pandemic. As a result, the school board took action on March 30th to conduct meetings in accordance with Minnesota Statute 13D.021—Meetings by Telephone or Other Electronic Means until further notice.

The motion included the following provisions:

- All future meetings of the Red Wing School Board will be conducted in accordance with Minnesota Statute 13D.021 (Meetings by Telephone or Other Electronic Means) until further notice;
- The school board has determined that it is not feasible for at least one board member, the superintendent, or the school district's legal counsel to be physically present at meeting locations;
- The school board has determined that members of the public are not permitted to attend meetings;
- Persons may monitor meetings from a remote location by emailing klanderson@rwps.org at least two hours prior to the start of the meeting. In turn, the individual will be invited to join a Google Hangout Meeting;
- Public Comment can be shared at regular meetings by emailing a statement to pjroe@rwps.org at least two hours prior to the start of the meeting. The statement must include the writer's name and address. In turn, the statement will be read with appropriate edits as per expectations outlined in the Public Comment portion of the school board agenda.

As an alternative, the board could require that at least one board member, the superintendent, and/or the school district's legal counsel be at the meeting location. In that case, one or more board members may participate by telephone or other electronic means. In Red Wing's case, if we elect this option, the most appropriate person to be present is the superintendent.

Due to changing circumstances and orders, the school board could allow the school board chair to determine how meetings will be conducted as long as they are in accordance with state law and orders issued by the Governor of Minnesota. If no action is taken, the school board will continue to meet use Google Hangouts until further notice.

Recommendation

None at this time.