

## Superintendent Comments December 16, 2024

1. Literacy Work RWHS Presentation

**There is no associated resolution.** Joshua Fuchs, Bethany Jasin, and Stacy Schultz will present on the literacy work the high school has started this year. Using our reading data from MCA and FastBridge, we know that more than half of our students are not reading at grade level. Our work this year has been to start making a conscious effort to build literacy practices into each classroom. We have been working on making sure our learning goal for the class period includes information about reading, writing, listening, and speaking. We will be sharing our baseline data and where we are after 2 professional development sessions.

2. Approve Final Audit Report.

**I recommend a motion to approve the FY24 audit as presented.** At this point, I anticipate the auditor will be on-site. We have a meeting scheduled for Monday at noon, so we will know more at that time. Overall, the results of the audit are quite positive.

3. Approve Final 2025 Levy

**I recommend a motion to approve the levy as presented.** This fall, we levied the maximum on the initial levy. When the final numbers came out, it was determined that we were not eligible to levy for OPEB (Other Post-Employment Benefits), so we will be under-levying the final amount.

4. Approve MSBA November 2024 Policy Updates.

**I recommend a motion to approve changes to policies 519, 701, and 721.**

Policy 519 - Interview of Students by Outside Agencies. Inserts changes made in State Law.

Policy 701 - Establishment and Adoption of School District Budget. Adds language that clarifies that a school district may use an existing fund balance when creating a budget.

Policy 721 - Uniform Grant Guidance Regarding Federal Revenue Sources. Updates language by adding a section on mandatory disclosures if the district suspects and kind of fraud in connection with federal grants.

5. Public Summary of Superintendent Evaluation