



**FOREST LAKE AREA SCHOOLS
FOREST LAKE, MN 55025**

December 7, 2017

AGENDA ITEM: 9.1

TOPIC: Post-Election Review Plan

BACKGROUND:

The November 7th referendum election included two questions, one related to an increase in the district's operating levy, and the other to address facility needs related to arts and athletics. Both questions failed on a margin of 43% in favor to 57% opposed. A series of steps and measures are recommended to engage the community to learn why the referendum questions failed to continue to make the case for these two funding needs.

PROCESS: Recommended Post-Election Review Plan

1. Post-election survey conducted by Morris Leatherman (Early January)
 - a. Households without school age children who voted (N = 250)
 - b. Parents who voted (N = 250)
 - c. Parents who did not vote (N = 250)

2. Community Conversations (Dates subject to change)
 - a. Columbus Elementary, Monday, February 5, 6 pm
 - b. Lino Lakes Elementary, Monday, February 12, 6 pm
 - c. Linwood Elementary, Tuesday, February 13, 6 pm
 - d. Wyoming Elementary, Tuesday, February 20, 6 pm
 - e. Scandia Elementary, Monday, February 26, 6 pm
 - f. Forest Lake Elem or FV, Tuesday, February 27, 6 pm

3. Online Survey (February 6 - February 28)

4. School Funding Task Force (Dates subject to change)
 - a. Tuesday, March 6, pm
 - b. Tuesday, March 20, 6-8 pm
 - c. Tuesday, March 27, 6-8 pm
 - d. Tuesday, April 10, 6-8 pm

RECOMMENDATION: Administration recommends approval of the proposed Post-Election Review Plan