

Date: March 28, 2019  
To: School Board  
From: Dr. Malone  
RE: Meeting Notes, April 1, 2019

1. D. The robotics team will provide a demonstration for the school board.
2. A. Superintendent's Report
  - i. A legislative conference committee has agreed on legislation pertaining to winter weather closures for schools this year. Governor Walz is expected to sign the bill. The legislation waives the minimum 165 days of instruction for this year. The Becker School calendar scheduled 173 days of instruction and closed on 5 days due to inclement weather. So, the legislation is not relevant to our school district.
  - ii. The Governor's revised budget proposal would provide general education formula increases 3% for FY 20 and 2% for FY 21. It also provides a significant funding increase for special education. The House Ways and Means Committee is expected to adopt a budget resolution by April 12th that will at least match The Governor's budget. The Senate GOP majority will soon announce the framework of its budget plan, which is expected to be less than 2% on the formula for each of the two years of the biennium.
3. Consent Agenda
  - a. Personnel: **I recommend approving the personnel items as presented** (enclosed).
  - b. Policy 706 Acceptance of Gifts permits the school board to accept donations or gifts under the terms of the policy. **I recommend accepting the gifts as described on the enclosure.**
  - c. **I recommend approving the resolution relating to the termination and non-renewal of a probationary teacher.**
4. The FY 20 General Fund Budget, approved last month, included reducing expenses by \$75,000. I recommend approving the following general fund adjustments:

FY 20 Budget Reductions	
\$6,685	Contracted Services
\$24,000	0.5 FTE Custodian
<b>\$30,685</b>	<b>District Total</b>
\$10,000	Capital Budget
\$10,000	Walk-A-Thon (revenue increase)
<b>\$20,000</b>	<b>Primary School Total</b>
\$7,000	2.5 hours para
\$13,000	2.75 hours secty
<b>\$20,000</b>	<b>Intermediate School Total</b>
\$20,000	Replace 0.5 FTE Certified Math Interventionist with 4 hour Para and IXL
<b>\$20,000</b>	<b>Middle School Total</b>
\$5,000	Supply Budget
<b>\$5,000</b>	<b>High School Total</b>
<b>\$95,685</b>	<b>Total FY 20 Budget Reductions</b>

5. Strategic Planning:
  - a. The next step in the strategic planning process is for each school board member to complete the Paimatrix ranking of the top ideas. I will send each board member the link and credentials. We will take time at the meeting to be sure each board member can log in to complete the Paimatrix ranking. Board members are asked to complete the Paimatrix by April 12th.
  - b. The school board's Paimatrix results will be used to determine which ideas are categorized by exit outcome. The results also determine the top ideas, which will be prioritized in setting goals.
  - c. The 2019 stakeholder participation report is attached along with all the input.
6. The two referenda approved by voters in 2009 will expire after FY 20. Both referenda should be renewed in November of 2019.
  - a. Capital Projects Referendum (1.834% of Net Tax Capacity) generates annual revenue of \$494,215. Kevin and I are recommending that this referendum be renewed at the same dollar amount resulting in no tax increases.
  - b. Operating Referendum \$415 per pupil unit generates annual revenue of 1,240,804.

Kevin and I will project interactive spreadsheets to show the impact of different per pupil operating referendum amounts on the district's 10-year general fund balance projection. The school board should determine the amount of the per pupil operating referendum for renewing this ballot question.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns.