

Date: March 3, 2016

To: School Board

From: Dr. Malone

RE: Meeting Notes, March 7, 2016

2A. Superintendent's Report

- i. The 2017-18 calendar committee will meet March 22nd. The committee includes parents, teachers, a Local 284 representative, a transportation representative, the Director of Curriculum and Instruction, the principals, students, and a school board representative. The calendar, developed by the committee, is recommended to the superintendent. The superintendent's recommendation will be submitted to the school board at the April 4th meeting.
- ii. MDE recently announced that the statewide graduation rate for 2015 improved to 81.9%. The graduation rate for Becker was 96.1% last year.
- iii. The stakeholder input websites were online February 26th. Participants were invited as follows:
 - All Employees (380) invited by e-mail
 - All High School Students (800) invited by e-mail
 - (450) Parents were randomly selected and invited by e-mail
 - Community members: 250 randomly selected to receive a snail mail invitation (mailed February 24), advertisement in the February 27 Citizen-Tribune, Community Input Portal on school website, street sign is inviting community members to participate.

The timeline for stakeholder input is as follows:

- February 26 – March 11: Idea submission from the 4 stakeholder groups.
- March 14-18: Participants receive a notification encouraging them to assign star ratings to the ideas submitted. Stars can be assigned beginning February 26. Ideation will be shut off beginning March 14.
- March 15 – 25: Data processing by ignite! Innovation.
- March 28 – April 1: School board members assign the top 5 ideas from each of the stakeholder groups to an exit outcome area.
- April 4: School Board discusses placement of ideas into exit outcome areas.
- May 2: School Board begins discussing 2017-18 goals, based on the data.

I will report the participation activity to date at the meeting.

- iv. A report of the various mental health intervention programs in the school district is attached.

3. Consent Agenda

D. I recommend approving the personnel items as presented.

E. MDE rules require school boards to approve the integration revenue worksheet. The revenue is used to pay for the program expenses (Coordinator, Data Specialist, staff development, and teaching FTEs related to Integration collaborative). The program is cost neutral as the revenues match the expenses. Becker is mandated to participate under federal desegregation rules. **I recommend approving the Integration Revenue Budget Worksheet FY 17.**

F. 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.**

- 4. The school board should set a date for a workshop to discuss two topics: I suggest choosing from the following dates: March 14, 15, 16, 17, 21, 22, 23, 24, 28, 29, 30, 31.
 - A. The viability of providing school district support for unfunded school activities will be examined (girls lacrosse, dance, marching band, robotics, hockey). This is a school board goal.
 - B. Share information from workshops from the January MSBA conference.