

Date: July 7, 2015
To: School Board
From: Dr. Malone
RE: Meeting Notes, July 11, 2016

2A. Superintendent's Report

- i. The MSBA Summer seminar is August 8. Please let me know if you would like to attend. <http://www.mnmsba.org/SummerSeminar>.
- ii. I will be attending the MDE annual superintendent conference at the same location on Tuesday August 9th and Wednesday August 10th.

3. Consent Agenda

C. I recommend approving the personnel items as presented (enclosed).

D. 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.

E. Policy 533 Wellness requires that the school board be provided an annual report for the district's compliance. I recommend accepting the 2015-16 Wellness Report (attached).

F. I recommend approving the 2015-16 Fee Schedule (enclosed).

- i. The Federal Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act, PL 111-296 was enacted in 2010. The legislation authorizes funding and sets policy for The USDA National School Lunch Program. Additional federal funding helps to offset the cost of additional nutritional requirements. However, a minimum local share is also required. Public schools are required to calculate the weighted average meal price annually, and increase by \$0.10 per meal until reaching the federal requirement, which is currently \$2.70 per meal.

G. The preliminary Student Handbooks for 2016-17 are enclosed. The content of the four handbooks has been sequenced in the same fashion. The formatting and pagination issues, which appear on boardbook, display properly in the original

documents. Lunch prices and additional staff changes will be corrected in the weeks ahead. **I recommend approving the student handbooks as presented.**

H. MS 123B.595, Subd. 10 requires that school districts submit a long term facilities maintenance revenue program application to MDE each year. The revenues are included in the approved FY 16 and 17 General Fund Budgets. The required form is enclosed.

The 2015 Legislature established the Long-term Facilities Maintenance Revenue Program to replace Health and Safety Revenue, Deferred Maintenance Revenue and Alternative Facilities Bonding and Levy programs, effective in FY 2017

Joe Prom, ICS Consulting, TJ (Becker Director of Buildings and Grounds), and I analyze the long-term facilities maintenance needs of the district each year to develop the long-term plan. The plan is revised annually. **Joe Prom and I recommend approving Long-term Facilities Maintenance Revenue Application**

4. I have received no input on the following policies and recommend they be adopted:

1. 102 Equal Educational Opportunity – adds gender to the list of protected categories per MS 363A.
2. 401 Equal Employment Opportunity – adds gender to the list of protected categories per MS 363A and other updates since this policy was originally adopted in 2004.
3. 413 Harassment and Violence – adds gender to the list of protected categories per MS 363A.

5. I recommend a first reading for the following policies:

- A. Policy 402 Disability Nondiscrimination: Reflects the requirements for the ADA/Section 504 Coordinator contact information.
- B. Policy 414 Mandated Reporting of Child Neglect or Physical or Sexual Abuse: Amends the definition of “physical abuse,” adds a definition of “report”, and amends the first of the reporting procedures per MS 125A.0942, which was amended in 2015.
- C. 415 Mandated Reporting of Maltreatment of Vulnerable Adults: Amends the definition of “vulnerable adult” amends the first of the reporting procedures, and adds several statutory references. Also, makes grammatical corrections.

6. Last month the board asked me to survey school board members to find a date of mutual convenience for a school board workshop. The survey results are shown below. The school board should set a time and date for the workshop.

		August 2016							
		Mon 8	Thu 11	Mon 15	Wed 17	Mon 22	Tue 23	Wed 24	Thu 25
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	Ross		✓	✓	✓			✓	
	Jason Kindred	✓			✓	✓		✓	✓
	Mark	✓				✓	✓		
	Lori	✓		✓	✓				
	Bryan	✓		✓	✓	✓			
	Steve Malone	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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7. School Board Members received the attached e-mail from Dale Richard Powers, on behalf of the Clear Lake City Council on June 16th. The annexation of a block of territory from one school district to another is not permitted under state law. The process would require the support of the school boards involved, the support of legislators from the districts involved (15B, 14A, 14B, 13A, 13B), and special legislation.

The annexation is unlikely to occur because neither the Saint Cloud District 742 School Board nor the legislators representing Saint Cloud are likely support the loss of tax base from District 742. However, since the annexation would benefit the Becker School District, **it would be prudent for the Becker School Board to support the request from the Clear Lake City Council for Clear Lake to join The Becker School District.**

8. The school board should discuss potential areas for the 2017-18 school year based on the stakeholder input (attached).
 - A. At the request of the school board, The TRAK Committee discussed the school board stakeholder input relative to mental health services and needs in the school district on May 10. They recommended 1) more direct services (counselors and social workers) and 2) expanding the Wellness Center model at the high school to the other buildings.

A meeting was conducted with CentraCare Health, Central Minnesota Mental Health Center, and Becker School District representatives on June 30.

The administration will analyze the information received and submit a recommendation regarding mental health, for the school board to consider as a goal at the August 1st school board meeting.

- B. As requested by the school board last month, the history and status of school board goals since 2012 has been compiled (attached.) The goals shaded in green are embedded in the operation of the school district and no longer need to be part of the school board goal setting process, in my opinion.

- C. The Critical Thinking and Creativity survey was administered to staff members last month. The survey was revised to include examples, as shown in the attachments. The response rate in the first survey was 49% in comparison to 45% in the revised survey.

- D. The school board should discuss the information provided and identify preliminary goal ideas for the 2016-17 school year.

Please contact me with any questions or concerns.