

School Board Special Work Session Tuesday, January 24, 2023; 5:00 PM ECC Room 350

- I. Determination of Quorum and Call to Order
- II. Approval of Agenda

III. Action

A. Machine-Signed Signatures for Calendar Year 2023

<u>Description</u>: Annually, pursuant to Minnesota statutes section 47.41, the School Board should authorize the depository approved at the annual meeting of the School Board to accept facsimile or machine-signed signatures of the Board Chair, Clerk, and Treasurer for checks, drafts, and other orders of funds on deposit.

Presenter(s): Mert Woodard, Director of Business Services

Recommendation: Approve the resolution authorizing U.S. Bank, N.A., to honor checks, drafts, or other orders of funds on deposit which bear facsimile or machine-signed signatures of the listed School Board Officers.

B. Construction Bid - Edina High School Long-Term Facilities Maintenance Projects

<u>Description</u>: The District opened construction bids on December 20, 2022, for long-term facilities maintenance (LTFM) projects at Edina High School beginning in the spring and summer of 2023. The scope of the projects includes mechanical systems, electrical, lockers, roofing, interior surfaces, and other deferred maintenance needs. The projects were included in the ten-year LTFM expenditure plan approved by the Board at the June 20, 2022 Regular Meeting, which was subsequently approved by the Minnesota Department of Education. At the January 9, 2023, Regular Meeting, the Board approved the construction bids to the lowest responsible bidders. It has since been discovered that the bid recommendation letter and bid tabulation contained clerical errors that have since been corrected.

Presenter(s): Mert Woodard, Director of Business Services

Recommendation: The District administration recommends two actions: (1) rescind the action taken at the January 9, 2023, Regular Meeting to approve construction contracts for the Edina High School LTFM projects and (2) re-award construction contracts for the Edina High School LTFM projects to the lowest responsible bidders, including alternates, in the amount of \$12,044,233.

C. Proposed 2022-2024 Collective Bargaining Agreement Between Independent School District 273 and the Edina Professional Association of Support Staff (EPASS)

<u>Description</u>: The School District's EPASS employees have ratified a tentative agreement for a two-year contract effective July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2024.

<u>Presenter(s)</u>: Sonya Sailer, Director of Human Resources; and Mert Woodard, Director of Business Services

Recommendation: Approved the proposed 2022-24 collective bargaining agreement.

IV. Report

A. Edina Community Center Space Usage

Description: Due to the opportunity to increase student populations while maintaining our community partner organizations' needs, rooms within the Edina Community Center (ECC) will be reassigned for the 2023-24 school year. In collaboration between the Early Learning Center (ELC), Countryside Elementary, Normandale Elementary, respective Departments, and Buildings and Grounds, our team has identified existing rooms on the first and third floor of the ECC to meet these needs.

<u>Presenter(s)</u>: Dr. Randy Smasal, Assistant Superintendent; Dr. Anne Marie Leland, Director of Community Education and Strategic Partnerships; Karen Bergman, Principal, Countryside Elementary School; Chris Holden, Principal, Normandale Elementary French Immersion School; Jody Remsing, Director of Student Support Services; and Eric Hamilton, Director of Buildings and Grounds

V. Discussion

A. Ash Tree Removal at Highlands Elementary

<u>Description</u>: On December 29, 2022, the City of Edina issued the District an official order to cut down and properly dispose of 30 ash trees at Highlands Elementary identified by the City Forestry Department as infected with Emerald Ash Borer (EAB). There are approximately 106 ash trees on the Highlands premises with the 30 identified by the City for removal being the most highly infected. Per the City, the remaining trees should either be treated or removed. The City's recommendation is for removal. The order stipulates that the 30 trees that were marked must be removed by February 28, 2023.

Presenter(s): Mert Woodard, Director, Business Services; Eric Hamilton, Director, Buildings & Grounds; Cara Rieckenberg, Principal, Highlands Elementary

B. Elementary Science Curriculum Review

Description: This report includes information about the new Minnesota Science Standards approved by the Department of Education and the Elementary Science Team's process used to align curriculum and instruction to these new standards. It also includes a recommendation to adopt Mystery Science as the primary resource for science instruction for K-5 in Edina Public Schools and rationale for this purchase. This report has been created in collaboration with the Elementary Science Curriculum Design Team and was presented to the Teaching and Learning Board Committee on January 17th, 2023.

<u>Presenter(s)</u>: Mark Carlson, Curriculum Coordinator; Kristin Greene, Cornelia Dean & Elementary Science Co-Lead; Michael Smith, Cornelia 2nd Grade Teacher; Allison Knoph, Concord 5th Grade Teacher; and Jody De St. Hubert, Director of Teaching and Learning

C. Board Level Student Leadership Opportunities

Description: One of the Board's 2022-2023 goals is to explore student leadership opportunities at the board level to elevate student voice to the board, with the measurable impact being seeking more student voice at the board level. The board tasked the governance committee with collecting information about this topic to help facilitate a board conversation about student voice and leadership at the board level. This attached report is divided into different sections: background information, existing student voice opportunities at the district level, examples and models of student leadership at the board level and some additional information from MSBA. This work session will be utilized to review information about the topic and discuss reactions to the information.

Presenter(s): Governance Committee

D. 2022-2023 Board Goals Mid-Year Review

<u>Description</u>: The attached mid-year review of board goals for the 2022-2023 school year was approved in September. Come to the work session with any questions regarding the board goals or suggestions on how to ensure they are completed by the end of the 2022-2023 school year. If you are a committee chair and need more granularity on what needs to be accomplished in your committee, please come with clarifying questions.

Presenter(s): Governance Committee

E. Governance Committee Planning

<u>Description</u>: This calendar and overview is being provided to the board to provide information and clarity around: (a) the tasks assigned to the governance committee per policy 213 and (b) what is currently being worked on/planned for the rest of the school year. Similar to all committees, all discussions in committee are for information and recommendation only; all decisions are made at the full board level. This plan has been reviewed by Dr. Stanley and the governance committee.

<u>Presenter(s)</u>: Governance Committee

- VI. Leadership and Committee Updates
- VII. Superintendent Updates
- VIII. Adjournment
- IX. Information

A. Kids Club Update