

Mahtomedi Public Schools
Independent School District #832
1520 Mahtomedi Avenue
Mahtomedi, MN 55115

Regular Meeting - Board of Education

Date: September 14, 2017

Agenda Item #10. C.

TOPIC: Approval of Minnesota School Board Association (MSBA) Legislative Resolutions

BACKGROUND: Each year the Minnesota School Board Association requests input from school boards across the state regarding legislative priorities and policies. Below are three requests. The proposals were crafted in part by a sub-committee of the School Board,

In order to improve the quality of consolidation applications and make sure the requests are the will of a significant portion of the population, the Mahtomedi School Board urges the Minnesota School Boards Association to support the following change in the state statute: Upon a resolution of a board in the area proposed for consolidation or upon receipt of a petition therefore executed by 25% of the eligible voters who are residents in the area proposed for consolidation or by 500 such voters, whichever is less, the county auditor of the county which contains the greatest land area of the proposed new district shall prepare a plat.

The wording is taken from the 123A.48 CONSOLIDATION statute.

In order to improve the quality of consolidation applications and make sure the requests are the will of a significant portion of the population, the Mahtomedi School Board urges the Minnesota School Boards Association to support all students, provide equitable educational opportunities and experiences and support non-discrimination on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, marital status, familial status, status with regard to public assistance, disability, sexual orientation, age, gender identity and expression, or socio-economic status.

The change is to expand the MSBA non-discrimination policy to match Mahtomedi Public School policy #102.

In order to improve the usage of taxpayer dollars and still provide opportunities for public data, the Mahtomedi School Board urges the Minnesota School Boards Association to support the following: Upon request to a responsible authority or designee, a person shall

be permitted to inspect and copy public government data at reasonable times and place, and upon request, shall be informed of the data's meaning. If a person requesting access for the purpose of inspection, the responsible authority may assess a charge or require the requesting person to pay a reasonable fee to inspect data.

The language is taken from the statute 12.03 ACCESS TO GOVERNMENT DATA

ACTION RECOMMENDED: Approval

Submitted By:



Name

Superintendent of Schools

Title

Concurrence By:



Dr. Mark Larson

Superintendent of Schools