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TO: Northeast Metro 916 Board of Education
FROM: Connie Hayes
DATE: June 8, 2017
RE: June 7 Board of Education Meeting Talking Points

Members present: Marilynn Forsberg, Amy Kelly, Marcia Lindblad, Janet Newberg, Laura Oksnevad, Laura Palmer, Mike Ptacek, Marre Jo Sager, Judy Schwartz, and Kathy Timm.
Members absent: Erin Azer, Tracy Brunnette, Nancy Livingston, and Gail Theisen.

- **Pankalo open house:** The school board was invited to visit Northeast Metro 916's newest school, Pankalo Education Center, for an open house on Tuesday, August 1 from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- **Model classrooms:** Scott Schwister and Andrew Hamilton, technology integrationists, shared the district's progress with implementing model classrooms. Model classrooms are pilot programs in which select classrooms try new ways to integrate technology to increase student learning and engagement.
- **Q-Comp report:** Jean Jordan, director of educational services, gave the school board a report on how Q-Comp has been implemented this school year. Q-Comp, short for quality compensation, is an incentive program in which licensed staff receive payment for completing key aspects of our staff development program. Currently, about 98 percent of licensed staff are on track to receive their full incentive (\$1800).
- **2017-18 budget:** Kristine Carr, director of administrative services, presented budget recommendations for the 2017-18 school year. The general operating budget of the district, outside of the construction projects, shows temporary deficit spending for the next school year due to fully staffing teachers at Pankalo. This is being done to better serve the increasing enrollments from member districts, which was a challenge when Karner Blue opened and was staffed to serve a lower enrollment. The membership fee was increase by \$1 per adjusted pupil units. This increases revenue by approximately \$107,000 for district-wide operating expenses.
- **Purchasing policy:** The school board had a first reading of a new policy written to formalize the process by which the school district procures materials, products and services.

- **Health and safety policy:** The school board conducted its annual review of the Health and Safety Policy, which is unchanged from last year.
- **Tuition, access fee and membership rates:** The school board reviewed the guaranteed rates for Career and Technical programs. Other program tuition rates are set for 2017-18 for EBD slots, out-of-state students and general education students attending these programs. The school board does not have authority to set tuition rates for students from member districts. These rates are calculated by the State of Minnesota according to the new tuition billing statute. The membership fee was increased by \$1 per adjusted pupil units which raises approximately \$100,000 from the 14 member school district.
- **Food service agreements:** The school board voted to approve agreements with the Centennial, White Bear Lake, Roseville and Columbia Heights school districts to provide food service to several schools and programs within Northeast Metro 916.
- **Resolutions regarding facilities:** The school board voted in favor of two resolutions involving Northeast Metro 916's facilities. The first is related to long-term facility maintenance programs, and the second relates to the North St. Paul-Maplewood-Oakdale school district's acquisition of the portions of the John Glenn and Oakdale buildings previously occupied by Northeast Metro 916.
- **Settlement agreement:** The school board voted to approve a settlement agreement for litigation based on claims of physical and emotional injury asserted against Spring Lake Park School District and Northeast Metro 916. Northeast Metro 916 does not admit any liability or responsibility for this student's purported injuries.
- **House construction in North St. Paul:** The school board voted to approve a joint powers agreement so that the Construction Occupations program at the Career and Technical Center can build a house in the City of North St. Paul during the 2017-18 school year. This will be the 25th home built by construction students at Northeast Metro 916.
- **Retirement:** The school board celebrated the retirement of Kathleen Miller, education assistant II, who has provided the school district with 39 years of service.

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