

Date: July 5, 2024
To: School Board
From: Robin Courier
RE: Superintendent Report July 10, 2024

5a. - Superintendent Report

- **Notice of Annual School Board Election.** It will be posted to the website and New Ulm Journal July 7, 2024. Filings open July 16, 2024 and close at 4:00pm August 13, 2024.
- School Board Election will take place during the General Election November 5, 2024.
- 3 positions on the Board are open and an elected candidate will fill a 4 year term.
- **Operating Referendum Status:** Nicollet Community entered into a five year operating referendum in 2021. It expires 2026. Superintendent recommends investigating renewing the operating referendum through the Facilities Assessment Study. (9a).
- **Facility Assessment Introduction:** Rob Brown from NEXUS will be introducing a facilities assessment plan later on in this Board meeting. I
- **Strategic Planning 2024-2025:** The Superintendent recommends entering into Strategic Planning study under MSBA guidance. A contract will be presented at the August 2024 Board meeting.
- **NECC Playground Dedication:** August 28, 2024 4:00 The dedication will take place during Nicollet Back to School Open House which runs 3:30-7:00pm, August 28, 2024.
- **Nicollet Community Facilities Management:** The duties of Sue Boddy with facilities management, rental, and fitness center have been reassigned. The position of Facilities Manager has been dissolved as part of the budget savings plan.
- **New Teachers for Nicollet Public School:** Nicollet staff teams have been busy interviewing and recommending for hire several new teachers noted in the Personnel agenda: Upon approval by the School Board said teachers have been recommended by the Superintendent: Sue Schaab, Math Secondary, Randy Muske, Math Secondary, Ciara Flugum, Elementary, and Courtney Konakowitz, Secondary LA. We continue to interview for Instrumental/Vocal and Secondary Special Education.
- **K-8 ½ time Principal/READ Act Coordinator/Instructitonal Improvement Specialist:** The superintendent recommends continuing a

one year contract with Nancy Remmert from Remmert Consultants. Approval is part of the personnel consent agenda.

5b. - Principal's Report

No report for July 2024. Next report August 14, 2024

6. Consent Agenda: The superintendent recommends approving the consent agenda. There is a long list of contract renewals. Are there any questions from the Board?

7. Resolution Write-in Counting: Motion to approve the resolution to allow write-in counting of ballots after the general election of the school board as written. (attached)

8. ISD 507 and NEA MOU Agreements: Housekeeping, Nicollet school board and NEA both voted on and ratified the 23-24 and 24-25 Master Contract for certified staff. Editing is completed and it requires signatures.

NEA MOU Agreements:

- Comp Time MOU - The purpose of this MOU is to support 15 hours or more of professional development for current staff during the summer. This allows teachers who have requested pre approval to participate in educational development enhancing their instructional plans or lessons. They will not be required to report the first two days of the 24-25 school year. New teachers to NPS will be required to report August 22, 2024 as well as current staff who have not participated in pre approved training.
- READ Act MOU - The state has set aside monies for the purpose of planning and training in the new mandated READ Act for K-3, reading, and special education teachers. This MOU provides a \$1500 dollar stipend for the many hours needed to meet the requirements for training of the READ Act.

9. Facility Assessment Introduction and Agreement: Rob Brown from NEXUS will present an outline of an assessment plan for Nicollet Public Schools and Community. A motion to enter into an agreement with NEXUS would be in order after the presentation.

