



Date: October 1, 2020
To: School Board
From: Jeremy Schmidt
RE: Meeting Notes, October 5, 2020

2A. Superintendent's Report

- i. Levi Roske and Alyssa Eggers-Gaumer will be serving as the student representative on the school board this year. Welcome to both of them!
- ii. Typically, we would share our October 1 enrollment for the school district during our October meeting, but with this year being what it is we have much greater flow back into the district particularly from parents/families who wanted to see how things were going. We were projecting in late August over 140 student drop, due to homeschool and online school options, but it doesn't look like we will be that high. As more families continue to return, we look to solidify this number and will share more as we revise the budget for this year.
- iii. Our staff is working hard to identify opportunities and difficulties with opening back up as more restrictions continue to be lifted. This becomes a very delicate task as we are starting to see a trend in cases moving upward throughout the area and state. CE is working with Activities and Custodial Staff on making it safe for these activities to take place.
 - i. Relative to this is the recent decision by MSHSL to return Football and Volleyball to HS activities. We are working on viewing options for both.
 - i. Football
 - i. 6 game season starting October 10th
 - ii. 250 spectator limit. 150 for home and 100 for visiting.
 - iii. Masks must be worn by student-athletes, coaches, officials and personnel if not able to social distance unless actively participating in the game.
 - iv. No Concessions
 - ii. Volleyball
 - i. 14 match season beginning on Thursday, Oct. 8 at North Branch. We will play each conference school twice to make up the regular season schedule.
 - ii. No spectators per EO
 - iii. Masks must be worn by coaches at all times. Masks must be worn by student-athletes who are not actively participating in practice or in a match.
- iv. We recently had a cabinet meeting and some of the topics we discussed including goal setting, efficiency opportunities, opportunities for collaboration, and job descriptions. Our Cabinet Team has done a great job with leading their staff through this time and although we still have questions, we are providing a phenomenal product even in this situation.
- v. The BEA and I have been sharing documentation on leaves and other COVID related changes and ideas. We will continue to work together to move this forward as well as we can while looking from each lens and group involved in the entire process.
- vi. There have been some questions about the release of data related to COVID and while it is permissible, our data is not as reliable or solidified as data from MDH or even LPH from Sherburne County. We would recommend larger questions related to COVID or specific numbers and counts be directed to them. It is also an understanding that their data is delayed, but much more accurate. MDE is/has released school related data on their weekly data reports that are updated on their website every Thursday morning at 11 am. The school related data will reflect confirmed cases in all MN Pre-K through grade 12 school buildings.
- vii. Looking for a special meeting at the end of November to go over Survey Results for a potential building referendum project due to increased enrollment and maintenance needs.
- viii. Covid #'s for last week were 14.37, highest since 8-8-2020, Steady increase after a recent decline.
- ix. I will be meeting with new board member candidates in the next few weeks to go over their initial orientation and answer questions they may have.
- x. I will be gone next week and part of the following week on vacation

3. Consent Agenda

- C. I recommend approving the personnel items as presented.
 - D. Policy 511 Student Fundraising requires that “The superintendent shall report to the board, at least annually, on the nature and scope of student fundraising activities approved pursuant to this policy.” Each fundraising activity has completed the Fundraiser Request Form and has been approved by the Advisor, Principal, and Superintendent. I would like to expand the option to turn in fundraiser requests to twice a year particularly because some are unknown prior to September. I recommend accepting the Annual Fundraising Report.
4. I recommend a first reading of Policy 419 Tobacco Free Environment, 516 Student Medication, and 601 School District Curriculum and Instruction Goals. All changes are due to Statutory or MSBA recommended revisions.
5. 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.
6. I have received no input on the following policy and recommend it be adopted: Policy 522 titled Title IX Sex Non-Discrimination Policy, Grievance Procedure and Process.