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### **School Board Meeting Agenda Item**

Topic: Meeting Structure and Format  
Contact(s):  
Presenter(s): Pam Roe, Chair  
Karsten Anderson, Superintendent

#### Nature of Action Requested

Board Action  
Board Information or Report

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#### Background Information

On two occasions in 2021, the school board discussed meeting and decision-making efficiencies. The background information sheet is based on information initially presented in August with suggested changes.

#### *Number and Length of Meetings*

The number and length of board meetings, board workshops, and committee meetings are problematic. To streamline decision-making, the Superintendent suggests revamping the entire meeting schedule instead of making incremental changes.

- On the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of each month, conduct a workshop at 6:00 pm and a regular meeting at 7:00 pm with the goal of finishing by 8 pm each night. Workshops would focus on issues to be discussed in-depth as well as operational issues such as finance, personnel, and operations. Regular meetings would include items that require board action. If needed, additional workshops could be held if topics require more discussion.
- Agenda Committee meetings are now held on a day shortly after a regular meeting so there is additional time between the Agenda Committee and the next board meeting.
- The Negotiations Committee would still meet with certified bargaining groups or a staff team could negotiate within parameters set by the board. This committee would also hear grievances.
- Other school board committees would be disbanded.

### *Meeting Guideline Considerations*

The Minnesota School Boards Association (MSBA) issued the attached School Board Meeting Guidance. If there are changes in practice that should be considered, board members can discuss during this time.

### *Recording and Livestreaming*

Currently, most board and committee meetings are recorded and livestreamed. Exceptions include negotiations sessions and the Agenda Committee. Lisa Steggerda will explain the attached charts that show how many view livestreamed and recorded meetings. Board members will discuss how these practices should change, if at all.

### Recommendation

The item is presented for discussion purposes only.