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DATE: July 29, 2020 TO: School Board FROM: Jeremy Schmidt

RE: August 3, 2020 Meeting Notes

## 2. Reports

## 2A. Superintendent's Report

- We are preparing for the upcoming school year and excited to welcome students on September 8th. New teachers and those new to the school district will begin our teacher induction and mentorship program on August 25th. Teachers will report on August 31st and all staff members on September 2<sup>nd</sup> (.5 day). The fall staff development schedule will focus on ensuring the use of effective instructional practices in all classrooms and focus on annual trainings along with preparation for the flexibility we will need for this upcoming school year.
- The schedule is nearly finalized and will be distributed to staff and school board members by August 17th.
- The September school board meeting is scheduled for September 14th (September 7th is Labor Day). This was approved by the school board at the organizational meeting in January.
- A School Reopening Plan Update is later in the agenda. We have spent a considerable amount of time planning and discussing opportunities for our students and how to prepare our staff to meet those needs. We also have discussed in great extent our ability to keep everyone within our buildings safe.
- 3. Consent Agenda
- D. I recommend approving the personnel items as presented (enclosed).
- E. MDE requires annual school board action designating a district official to authorize user access to secure MDE websites. These are websites routinely used by school staff to submit and access information. Examples include: Accountability Reports, Assessment Reports, Early Education Reports, and Finance Reports. I recommend designating the superintendent as the Identified Official with Authority (IOWA) to authorize user access to MDE secure websites.
- 4. Policy <u>706 Acceptance of Gifts</u> 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.
- 5. Resolution: Broadband: In consideration of the opportunities to provide distance learning to students and families who request or require it, I recommend support of the attached resolution supporting funding for Border to Border Broadband.

6. School Reopening Plan