



Date: February 27, 2020  
To: School Board  
From: Jeremy Schmidt  
RE: Meeting Notes, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020

2A. Superintendent's Report

- i. MCA testing will begin this month early March. Testing for various grade levels and subject areas are scheduled to conclude in early May. NWEA testing for grades K-2 is the first week of May.
- ii. Updated budget forecast was released Thursday  
The February forecast, which is the forecast the Governor and the Legislature will use to determine any potential supplemental budget bill was released on Thursday last week to show a \$1.5 Billion surplus.

Bill introductions of interest

[SF3239](#): Authorizing school districts to renew expiring referendums by action of school board; providing for referendum to revoke board-renewed authority.

[SF3312](#): Amending the allowed uses of the safe schools levy.

[HF3343](#): Linking the extended time revenue formula to future increases in the general education basic formula allowance; eliminating revenue set aside for extended time activities under compensatory education revenue.

[HF3491](#): Increasing the formula allowance by one percent; providing inflationary increases in general education revenue.

[HF3504](#): Limiting the use of individual-use screens in preschool and kindergarten.

[HF3556](#): Appropriating money for trauma-informed school incentive aid.

[HF3562](#): Requiring a school district to have a recycling policy.

[HF3574](#): Authorizing a one-year continuation of safe schools aid; increasing the safe schools levy; appropriating money.

- iii. On March 4<sup>th</sup> our Region 6 Superintendents will be attending events at the Capitol to discuss with legislators on a variety of topics related to K-12.
- iv. On March 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Sherburne County Sheriff's office will be taking feedback on the recent fire at Northern Metals. HS Principal Dave Kreft is attending this event.
- v. Becker School District Administration handed out brochures, magnets, and information while at the most recent Becker Business Expo. We were available to answer questions and provide information to those in attendance.
- vi. March 9<sup>th</sup> will be our school board work session for strategic planning.

3. Consent Agenda

D. I recommend approving the personnel actions as presented.

E. 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.

F. According to Minnesota Statute 124D. 861 ACHIEVEMENT AND INTEGRATION FOR MINNESOTA. The "Achievement and Integration for Minnesota" program is established to pursue racial and economic integration and increase student academic achievement, create equitable educational opportunities, and reduce academic disparities based on students' diverse racial, ethnic, and economic backgrounds in Minnesota public schools. As an adjoining district to St. Cloud School District #742 this statute enables us to participate in the Achievement and Integration plan. Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction, Minda Anderson and I recommend approval of the draft of the plan and budget.

- 4. The committee and superintendent are recommending denial of this grievance.