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School Board Meeting Agenda Item

Topic: Administrative Reports
 Presenter(s): Bob Jaszczak, Superintendent

Nature of Action Requested by Board

Board action
 Board information or scheduled report

Background Information

AIPAC	Janice Ericson, President of AIPAC, is recommending that the district allocate \$15,000 of the FY24 American Indian Education Aid funds towards the Indigenous Liaisons for Red Wing Public Schools. Additional expenditures include the purchase of Indigenous drum kits, sewing machines, materials for ribbon skirts, beads, and tipi's.
School Logo	Superintendent Jaszczak will provide the board with an update on <i>Minn. Stat. § 121A.041 American Indian Mascots Prohibited</i>
Cell Phone Policy	<p>Policy 524 <i>Internet Acceptable Use and Safety Policy</i> is one of the policies that has 2024 Legislative changes. Attached is our current policy with the MSBA recommended changes in redline.</p> <p>Below is the note from MSBA explaining the changes: <i>In 2024, the Minnesota legislature enacted a law requiring that school districts adopt a policy on students' possession and use of cell phones in school by March 15, 2025. This law does not state that school districts must incorporate specific language or provisions in the school district policy.</i></p> <p><i>MSBA recognizes the common practice of setting forth cell phone rules in a student handbook or similar document. This Article directs school administration to establish cell phone rules, which the school board may require be presented to the board for approval. This approach enables administrators to craft flexible and specific rules that are specific to grade levels and buildings. The school board may choose to set forth general principles regarding cell phone use in this Article.</i></p> <p><i>Under the new law, the Minnesota Elementary School Principals Association and the Minnesota Association of Secondary School Principals will collaborate to make best practices available to schools on a range of different strategies to achieve the goals stated above.</i></p>

Building and Programming Updates

Colvill

- While the building is closed we've been able to greet several drop-ins while Brittini has been onboarding our new Director of CFC, Becky Norton in the building. And, Mark and Bob are busy getting our buildings ready for all our Little Wingers.
- Extended School Year programming kick off on Monday, 7/15 at Colvill Family Center. Programming will run Monday through Thursday mornings for the next three weeks.
- All Little Wingers Pre-school classes are full. We are creating a waitlist and always having conversations about how to expand capacity and bring more students into the Winger family.

Sunnyside

- Sunnyside is a busy place this summer! Kids Junction is operating for the summer at Sunnyside. They have around 350 total students registered, and an average of 170 - 200 attend on any given day.
- Summer School and Extended School Year programming kick off on Monday, 7/15 at Sunnyside. Programming will run Monday through Thursday mornings for the next three weeks.
- Sunnyside is also one of the District's sites for the summer meals program. Kids age 18 and younger can eat breakfast and/or lunch onsite at Sunnyside at no cost all summer long. At Sunnyside, breakfast is served from 8:00 - 9:00 am, and lunch is served from 11:00 am - 12:30 pm each day, Monday - Friday.

Burnside

- The entirety of Burnside is being re-carpeted this summer!
- Burnside will celebrate its 30th year this fall.
- Burnside students will participate in Jumpstart and ESY programing at Sunnyside beginning July 15 - August 1.

Twin Bluff

- Twin Bluff hosted the Child's Play Theatre production of "Twinderella" though CER. Seventeen students participated and put on two shows at the end of their week of practices.
- Twin Bluff students will participate in Summer School at Sunnyside July 15th through August 1st.
- The custodians are rocking the summertime schedule and deep cleaning all areas of the school. The completed areas look amazing and are ready to welcome back our students this fall.

High School

- Last week Summer School wrapped up. 73 students from Red Wing HS, 5RO, and River Bluff participated, earning 64.5 credits back towards graduation the equivalent of 129 classes.

Tower View

- Waiting to hear back from Minnesota Department of Education on the alternative learning program paperwork.

Activities

- Registration for fall activities will begin on July 22.
- Fall Sports begin on August 12.
- We are continuing to look for some fall coaches.

Buildings & Grounds

- Burnside - Phase 1 is moving along well, this phase includes the library and attached rooms.
Old carpet has been removed and replaced.
Entry ways have new walk off carpet that has been installed.
Phase 2- We have all the furniture and curriculum materials moved from rooms and are ready to proceed when Phase 1 is complete.
They will start by removing old carpet in this area.
- Sunnyside-The new panels have been installed for the new freezer and cooler.
Electrical has been updated.
Flooring for the freezer is scheduled for install the week of July 8th.
- District - Summer cleaning is continuing in all buildings
- Grounds/Arena - Summer ice camp is beginning on July 8 for 3 weeks at Prairie Island Arena. Grounds crew has especially been busy keeping up with the mowing.

Communication

- Big project: I Love U Guys/Standard Response Protocol, which the board learned about last winter. We will have a 45-minute presentation to all staff as part of Welcome/Workshop Day on Monday, Aug. 26.
- Marketing: We are preparing to have an awesome booth at River City Days!
- Helping Bob connect with the community.
- Work continues on data sharing agreements

Community Education

- The 30-hour Driver's Education course has completed one session with two more taking place this summer. A total of 70 students will complete the course during these three sessions. Our certified instructors are all licensed teachers in the State of Minnesota and provide both classroom education and Behind the Wheel.
- The annual Young Peoples' Summer Theatre Intensive began on Monday, July 8th and will conclude with two performances on Friday, July 19th at 4pm and 7pm. Please join us at Hobgoblin Stoney End to see these young actors take the stage and show you their skills in performing, but also in stage set design, costumes, lights and sound.
- With the Red Wing Waterpark closed for over 18 days this summer due to flooding, Kids Junction and the Red Wing Lifeguards worked together to schedule time at Twin Bluff allowing our older kids the opportunity to still enjoy swimming at the local "pool" for weekly field trips.

Human Resources

- Kelsie started on June 20th!
- A meeting has been scheduled, on July 22nd, for newly retired employees. At this meeting, benefit representatives for MidAmerica, Alerus, & BCBS will provide retiree benefit information and answer questions.
- 2024/25 hiring continues. We currently have 11 certified and 14 non-certified positions open

Nursing Services

- Immunization reminder went out in the July newsletter

Special Services

- Extended School Year (ESY) programming for students who qualify is occurring July 15-August 1
- The special education team is continuing to interview and hire for open teaching and paraprofessional positions for the upcoming school year.
- Over the summer, special education staff are attending trainings including: Crisis Prevention Intervention (CPI), MDE Mentor Training, Navigating Behaviors, and GCED Summer Symposium.

Student Nutrition Services

- Sunnyside freezer in the final completion stage. Alan has details in his report.
- FACs project update for TBMS and RWHS is progressing and timelines have been established. The goal is to be complete by the beginning of the school year.
- Summer Feeding is in full swing.

Teaching & Learning

- New Teacher Orientation August 19th-21st
- Teacher Workshop week starts August 22
- Planning is underway for a fantastic district kick-off on August 26
- Mercedes, the new American Indian Education Program Director will be starting August 1st