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School Board Meeting Agenda Item

Topic: Transportation Resources

Contact(s):

Presenter(s): Karsten Anderson, Superintendent

Nature of Action Requested

Board Action X
Board Information or Report X

Background Information

On July 26th, the school board met in special session to discuss school starting and ending times for the upcoming school year. During the discussion, there was a request to consider adding 2 additional buses to narrow the gap between starting/ending times between elementary schools and Red Wing High School.

Superintendent Anderson contacted the transportation routing company and bus company to determine if adding 2 buses would narrow the difference in starting/ending times. Our routing company indicated it would not reduce the gap by more than five minutes because not all routes would be shortened enough to impact time needed. The bus company also indicated there would be challenges hiring additional bus drivers at this stage during the summer.

As in other years, there may be a need to add one or more routes depending on route lengths, number of students, and other factors. The Superintendent authorizes these additional routes as needed.

As a result of this feedback, it is not recommended to add 2 buses to the transportation system this year. Bus capacities and lengths of routes will continue to be monitored in case additional routes are needed.

Recommendation

None at this time.