

District Status Report

27 November

2020-2021 Report #22

The purpose for the weekly Status Report is to communicate to members of the School Board important and meaningful information relevant to the business of the school district. The Report is available to the public on the school district's website. Please contact me at 417-2602 if you have any questions regarding information contained in the Status Report. I would also appreciate hearing from you on ways I can improve the Report and make it more meaningful and informative for you.

Dale

Our Mission

**Empowering students with
knowledge and skills to succeed.**

Our Vision

**To be the school district of choice, inspiring
excellence in academics, arts, and activities.**

Information – Communication – Correspondence

- 1. News From Around the State and Beyond**
COVID-19: More school districts nationwide are shifting to remote learning due to increased spread of virus
- 2. School Learning Model Look-up** – If you want look up a specific learning model for a school district or school, you can go to the MDE website at [Enter the Safe Learning Model Look-Up system](#). Simply enter the school district you are seeking.
- 3. Building and Grounds Committee Meeting to Meet** – The next Building and Grounds Committee Meeting is tentatively planned for Tuesday, January 19, 2021, beginning at 5:30 pm prior to the start of the regular School Board meeting. Agenda items may include discussion about potential land sale, construction project follow-up, and examining the Board’s goal of developing a long-term facility plan.
- 4. Board Member Quarterly Check-in** – If you do not already have a quarterly check-in date and time scheduled for the week of November 30, please contact Sue Kulseth.
- 5. New Board Member Orientation** –Terri Engel, Loren Schoenrock and I met for their second orientation meeting on Monday, November 23. Mrs. Engel and Mr. Schoenrock are also registered for both Phase I and II trainings with MSBA in December. Both trainings are virtual.
- 6. 2021 MSBA Leadership Conference** – The 2021 MSBA Leadership Conference will be held virtually this year on three different Thursday mornings. Please contact Sue Kulseth to let her know to register you. See the communication below from MSBA

The **2021 MSBA Leadership Conference** will be presented to you in a **virtual format**.

Save the dates on your calendar for these Thursday mornings — **January 14, January 21, and January 28, 2021**.

As a membership benefit, the Leadership Conference is offered at no cost to your district, **but registration is necessary and will be opening soon**.

MSBA gathered your feedback from a membership survey in August – and your message was loud and clear. While you would like to attend the MSBA Leadership Conference in-person, due to a variety of health and safety reasons, more than half of you do not feel an in-person conference is a viable option in January 2021.

You also shared that you are saving the nights and weekends for your family and away from technology. The preferred date and time for attending the conference virtually is Thursday mornings.

The conference will include a number of top-notch workshops, roundtable sessions, and much more. Some sessions will be available via recording at a later time. Watch the [MSBA website](#) for more details.

This year’s conference will feature two keynote speakers: **Phyllis Braxton-Frierson** and **Dr. Phil Gore**.

- **Braxton-Frierson** is the CEO and Founder of PINK Consulting, LLC, and has worked in the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) field for nearly 25 years.
- **Gore** is in his sixth year as Division Director for Board Development Services with the Texas Association of School Boards and is a nationally recognized researcher on school governance.

School Board Calendar of Events

December 21, 2020	6:00 pm	Truth in Taxation Public Hearing – Secondary School Media Center
	6:30 pm	School Board Meeting – Secondary School Media Center/Remote
December 24, 2020 – January 1, 2021		Winter Break
January 4, 2021	5:30 pm	School Board Organizational Meeting – Board Room
January 19, 2021	6:30 pm	School Board Meeting – Secondary School Media Center/Remote

Dale's Calendar for November 30 – December 4 (As of 11-27-2020)

Monday	10:30 am	Check in with Doug
	1:00 pm	Check in with Donna
	1:30 pm	Check in with Dave
	2:00 pm	Check in with Karla
	2:30 pm	Check in with Sue
	3:00 pm	Weekly Call with Steele County Public Health
	4:30 pm	Quarterly Check in with Rich M
Tuesday	9:00 am	Principal Conference #2 with Dave
	1:00 pm	Quarterly Check in with JoAnn M
	2:00 pm	Quarterly Check in with Karen F
	3:30 pm	Waseca County COVID-19 Meeting
Wednesday		In the District
Thursday	7:30 am	Waseca County School District Weekly Call with MDH
	9:00 am	Check in with Donna
	4:00 pm	MDE Weekly Call
Friday	9:00 am	MSBA Phase I Training with New Board Members

Thank you for all you do!