

District Status Report

22 January

2020-2021 Report #29

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. **1-25-2021 Special School Board Meeting** – Monday night’s agenda includes:
 - a. Superintendent Search Process
 - b. School Learning Model Update
 - c. 2021-2022 Budget Development

A light dinner will be provided and made available starting at 5:15 pm.

2. **Building and Grounds Committee Met** – The Building and Grounds Committee met Tuesday, January 19, 2021, prior to the start of the regular School Board meeting. Committee members in attendance included: Terri Engel, Travis Routh, Rick Schultz, Dale Carlson and Karla Christopherson. Agenda items included:
 - a. Discussion about potential land sale – The Committee determined not to move this item to the School Board at this time.
 - b. Construction project update – I shared that finishing projects continue including “repairs” that occurred during the project that now have to be corrected i.e. damage to flooring and wall tiling due to welding. The Elementary School east entrance canopy replacement is scheduled for June 2021.
 - c. Examining the Board’s goal of developing a long-term facility plan – I reported that I had researched two firms that would provide the District with a comprehensive long-term facility plan. The first firm is ISG who conducted the 2017 facility assessment and would revise/update the 2017 assessment for a fee of \$5,000. The second firm is SiteLogiq which has provided some preliminary information as to a proposal. The committee asked that I follow up further with SiteLogiq.
 - d. Secondary School Sign Replacement – The committee discussed the replacement of the Secondary School sign and asked that I continue to research potential proposals and costs.
3. **MSBA Negotiations Seminar** – Board members who are negotiating in the coming year are encouraged to participate in the MSBA Negotiations Seminar being offered over two 3-hour sessions. Please contact Sue Kulseth prior to Wednesday, January 27, to let her know the dates to register you. I plan to participate on February 11 from 9 am – 12 pm for Part I and on February 25 from 9 am – 12 pm for Part II in the event any Board members would like to join me. Below is from MSBA.

After the Leadership Conference wraps up at the end of this month, we invite you to continue learning by attending **MSBA’s Negotiations Seminars** and **Officers’ Workshops**.

Please scroll below to access workshop schedules and registration information. Board members, if you opt to attend these sessions, please ask your school district office to register you through the [MSBA website](#).

Preparation is the key to successful bargaining. [MSBA’s Negotiations Seminars](#) help school leaders prepare for negotiations.

Note: The Negotiations Seminars will be presented in two parts. Participants must attend both parts in order to receive credit.

Negotiations Seminar Agenda:

- **Part 1** will include a “**Negotiations Overview**,” “**Legal Issues**,” and “**Hot Topics**.”

- **Part 2** will feature “ULA, Layoffs, and Nonrenewals,” “Words Matter,” “Costing Overview,” and “Costing Analytics.”

[Click here to access the full agenda.](#)

Negotiations Seminars Schedule — THESE TIMES HAVE BEEN CORRECTED:

Choose from ONE of the following dates for PART 1:

- 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 3, 2021
- 9:00 a.m. to noon Thursday, February 11, 2021
- 9:00 a.m. to noon Saturday, February 13, 2021

Choose from ONE of the following dates for PART 2:

- 9:00 a.m. to noon Thursday, February 25, 2021
- 9:00 a.m. to noon Saturday, February 27, 2021
- 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Wednesday, March 3, 2021

Negotiations Seminar Registration:

Seminar Fees (includes both Part 1 and Part 2):

- Advance registration — \$195
- Late registration — \$215
- **Registration closes one week before the Part 1 date you choose to attend.**

Registration: [Access MSBA Event Registration](#)

IMPORTANT: Board members, please coordinate your registration through your school district office.

4. **MSBA Officer Workshops**– Board officers wishing to participate in MSBA’s Officers’ Workshop are to contact Sue Kulseth to inform her of the dates and times you want to participate. I am happy to join those wishing to participate. Information from MSBA is below.

The [MSBA Officers’ Workshop](#) is focused on school board officers’ responsibilities and basics/fundamentals of laws affecting school boards. Elected school board officers, superintendents, staff who support the board, and all interested school board members are encouraged to attend.

Note: The Officers’ Workshop will be presented in two parts. Participants must attend both parts in order to receive credit.

Officers’ Workshop Agenda:

- **Part 1** will focus on **the Statutory Duties of School Board Officers** and **the Open Meeting Law**.

- **Part 2** will be dedicated to **your specific officer role** (chair/vice chair, clerk, or treasurer).

Officers' Workshop Schedule — THESE TIMES HAVE BEEN CORRECTED:

Choose from ONE of the following dates for PART 1:

- 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 10, 2021
- 9:00 a.m. to noon Thursday, February 18, 2021
- 9:00 a.m. to noon Saturday, February 20, 2021

Choose from ONE of the following dates for PART 2:

- 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Wednesday, February 24, 2021
- 9:00 a.m. to noon Thursday, March 4, 2021
- 9:00 a.m. to noon Saturday, March 6, 2021

Officers' Workshop Registration:

Workshop Fees (includes both Part 1 and Part 2):

- Advance registration — \$195
- Late registration — \$215
- **Registration closes on January 29 for the February 10 workshop. For all other workshop dates, registration will close on February 5.**

Registration: [Access MSBA Event Registration](#)

IMPORTANT: Board members, please coordinate your registration through your school district office.

5. **2021 MSBA Leadership Conference** – The 2021 MSBA Leadership Conference is being held virtually this year on three different Thursday mornings. As it is free, Sue Kulseth went ahead and registered each Board member. One Thursday morning remains on January 28.
6. **“A Conversation with the Governor”** – Board members should have received an invitation to take part in “A Conversation with the Governor” to be held via Zoom on Thursday, January 28, from 5 pm to 5:30 pm. See information below.

Members of both the **Minnesota School Boards Association** and the **Minnesota Association of School Administrators** are invited to take part in “A Conversation with Governor Tim Walz” from **5 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Thursday, January 28.**

Join us by accessing the Zoom meeting link listed below on January 28.

We hope to see you soon.

Sincerely,

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Zoom Meeting Information

What: "A Conversation with Governor Tim Walz"

When: 5 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Thursday, January 28, 2021

Zoom Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84425135930>

Meeting ID: 844 2513 5930

School Board Calendar of Events

January 25, 2021	5:30 pm	Special School Board Meeting
January 28, 2021	Morning	MSBA School Board Leadership Conference (Virtual)
February 16, 2021	6:30 pm	School Board Meeting – Secondary School Media Center/Remote

Dale's Calendar for January 25 - 29 (As of 1-22-2021)

Monday	10:00 am	Check in with Donna
	10:30 am	Check in with Doug
	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
	5:30 pm	Special School Board Meeting
Tuesday	1:00 pm	Athletic Code Violation Policy Review
	3:30 pm	Waseca County COVID Partner Call
Wednesday	7:30 am	Weekly Waseca County Schools Call with Public Health
	1:00 pm	2021-2022 Staffing Meeting #1 with Doug and Dave
	3:00 pm	Continuing Education Meeting
Thursday	8:00 am	MSBA Leadership Conference
	9:00 am	Check in with Donna
	4:00 pm	Weekly MDE Commissioner Call
Friday		Out of District in Afternoon
	10:00 am	New Board Member Budget Review

Thank you for all you do!