

District Status Report

14 August

2020-2021 Report #7

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. **8-17-2020 School Board Meeting** – A few items to bring attention to . . .
 - a. Within the Consent Agenda . . .
 - 1) Board Bills of \$1,934,484.29
 - 2) Donations totaling \$3,145.00
 - 3) Garbage/Recycling Bids
 - 4) Snow Removal Bids
 - 5) Resignations
 - 6) Contract Renewal
 - 7) Summer Occupational Therapy Agreement with Waseca Public Schools
 - 8) Special Education Agreements with Waseca Public Schools
 - 9) 1:1 Mobile Device Handbook for 2020-2021
 - 10) Statewide Enrollment Options
 - b. Under Recommended Actions, the Board will be asked to take action on the following item(s):
 - 1) 2020-2021 School Year Learning Plan
 - 2) Learning Model to Begin School Year for Each School Resolution
 - 3) Student Handbooks for 2020-2021
 - 4) Letter of Assignment
 - 5) Compensation of Coaches and Co-Curricular Advisors for 2020-2021 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) (Schedule D)
 - 6) 2020-2021 COVID-19 Preparedness Plan
 - 7) Resolution for Calling a General Election
 - 8) Policies – 1st Reading

At the July School Board meeting, it was planned to present a draft of School Board's 2020-2021 work goals for approval consideration. In planning the meeting agenda with the Board Chair, it was determined to place the review and approval of goals on the September 21 School Board meeting agenda.

We continue to live-stream the Board meeting via YouTube. Board members and essential staff will continue using *Google Meet* to access and participate in the meeting.

2. **Construction Update** – Area C (south MS wing) is almost complete with new cabinetry and cleaning has started. The restrooms at the north end of that hallway (close to main entrance and cafeteria) will not be finished until closer to the start of the school year. Science rooms cabinetry is completed. The FCS classroom/lab is making progress with cabinetry and kitchen equipment.

The landscaping and drainage work on the south end of the Area C (south MS wing) is being reviewed for potential modifications to address maintenance and safety concerns. Currently, the work done to address the water intrusion issues under Area C has resulted in a “drainage ditch” alongside the walkway to the south door entrance and further west to the playground, basketball court and PE/practice field area. This presents additional maintenance issues as well as safety issues for anyone using that walkway. We are waiting for proposals on how to address our concerns.

The Elementary office is progressing on schedule. We are being told that the majority of the Secondary School and the Elementary School projects will be completed by the end of next week with the exception of the restroom completion and of course, the new shop expansion at the Secondary School. In addition, we are still planning for high priority tuck-pointing at both schools yet this summer/fall. We also continue to move forward with planning for a new canopy at the Elementary School on the east side replacing the existing canopy for our remodeled entrance.

Board members are welcome to visit both buildings to see the progress being made. Please contact the building principal or me in advance so that someone can meet you to escort you around. Keep up with some of the progress including photos by going to <https://www.nrheg.k12.mn.us/Page/3294>.

3. **Start of School Year for Staff** – New staff will be having inservice on August 24 and 25. All staff report the week of August 31. We were planning for the “All District Breakfast” on August 31, but due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we will not be gathering all staff together. Instead, individual building meetings will be held. I am interested in finding a way to have Board members part of the opening activities with staff. Please give me a call with ideas.
4. **Board Member Quarterly Check-in** – If you haven’t scheduled your check-in for this coming week, please contact Sue Kulseth.

School Board Calendar of Events

August 17, 2020 6:30 pm School Board Meeting – Secondary School Media Center/Remote

August 31, 2020 Staff Return

September 8, 2020 First Day for Students

September 21, 2020 6:30 pm School Board Meeting – Elementary School Media Center/Remote-tentative

Dale’s Calendar for August 17-21 (As of 8-14-20)

Monday	8:30 am	Website planning with Greg and Karla
	10:00 am	COVID19 Program Coordinator Meeting with Doug, Dave, Carrie and Donna
	1:00 pm	Administrative Team meeting
	2:30 pm	Check in with Karla
	3:00 pm	Steele County Superintendent / Health Department Weekly Meeting
	6:30 pm	School Board meeting
Tuesday	9:00 am	Administrative Team meeting regarding Title IX
	12:00 pm	Board Member Quarterly Check-in
	1:00 pm	Preparedness Plan Prep with Carrie
	5:00 pm	Board Member Quarterly Check-in
Wednesday	10:00 am	Tour with Board Member
	11:00 am	Board Member Quarterly Check-in
	1:00 pm	Board Member Quarterly Check-in and Tour
Thursday	9:00 am	SW Metro South Leadership Team Meeting
	11:30 am	MDE Call-in
Friday	8:00 am	Waseca County Case Data Check in

Thank you for all you do!