

Dale's School Board Meeting Recap

December 21, 2020 School Board Meeting

Our Mission Together

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

Our Vision

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

NOTE: This review is authored by the Superintendent, intended as information for the District employees, to keep them informed of the important decisions made by the School Board. This review includes selected items as determined by the Superintendent, and does not include all items of business conducted by the Board. This review is not intended to replace the official minutes of the School Board. Additional information can always be obtained from the official Board minutes or by contacting Dale.

Student Achievement and Support

2020-2021 World's Best Workforce (WBWF) Plan: The Board approved the 2020-2021 WBWF plan as presented by Jessica Williams, Doug Anderson, and Dave Bunn.

School Learning Model Update: An update was provided to the Board on tentative plans for both the Elementary School and Secondary School including a target of January 18 for the Elementary School to move to “*in-person*” learning with the implementation of a two-week “rolling start” as required by the Minnesota Department of Education’s Safe Learning Plan. A number of details have to be finalized before a recommendation will be forwarded to the Board for approval consideration including a potential adjustment to the planned return to *hybrid learning* on January 11 for the Elementary School. A recommendation for Board consideration is planned for no later than the January 4 Organizational Meeting.

Plans for the Secondary School to return to *hybrid learning* on January 11 continue to move forward.

School Activities Update: A brief update was provided to the Board. Practices are planned to begin Monday, January 4.

Workforce

Winter Coaching Contracts: Contracts for Isaiah Lundberg (Head Boys Basketball) and Onika Peterson (Head Girls Basketball) were approved. Remaining winter coaching contracts will be approved at the January 4 Organizational Meeting or the January 19 School Board meeting.

Community Education School Age Care Lead Holiday Pay: The Board approved a recommended revision to the 2020-2021 Notice of Assignments (NOA) to be issued to the School Age Care staff. The revision includes the addition of two paid holidays; Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day. The additional costs will be funded from the Community Education fee-based program.

Finance

Donations -- We are fortunate to have community members, organizations, and businesses who make donations to the school district. Often the donations are designated toward specific programs or activities. The Board approved the following donations.

Rosenau Legacy	Special Ed Literature	\$1,000.00
EFJohnson Foundation	Comm Ed-Youth Dev Scholarships	\$1,500.00
EFJohnson Foundation	Scholarship for Seniors	\$3,000.00
City of Ellendale	CARES Fund Grant/Elementary	<u>\$4,557.00</u>
	Total	\$10,057.00
	Total to Date	\$44,888.85

2020 Payable 2021 Levy Certification: The Board approved the recommended levy as presented in the Truth in Taxation Public Hearing held at 6:00 pm prior to the start of the regular School Board meeting. The adopted resolution is below.

Whereas, Pursuant to Minnesota Statutes the School Board of NRHEG School District, New Richland, Minnesota, is authorized to make the following proposed tax levies for general purposes:

<i>Maintenance (General Fund)</i>	<i>\$1,027,530.38</i>
<i>*Includes Referendum</i>	
<i>Community Service</i>	<i>\$87,877.65</i>
<i>Debt Service</i>	<i>\$677,886.70</i>
<i>Total Proposed School Tax Levy</i>	<i>\$1,793,294.73</i>

Now Therefore, be it resolved by the School Board of NRHEG School District, New Richland, Minnesota, that the levy to be levied in 2020 to be collected in 2021 is set at \$1,793,294.73. The clerk of the NRHEG School Board is authorized to certify the proposed levy to the County Auditor of Waseca County, Minnesota.

The approved levy of \$1,793,294.73 represents an 5.89% increase over the prior year's levy of \$1,693,497.45.

Board Governance

2021-2022 School Year Calendar DRAFT: A preliminary draft of the 2021-2022 School Year Calendar was presented to the Board for review. The draft is based on the original 2020-2021 School Year Calendar prior to revisions taking place due to the COVID-19 related learning models. The Board will be asked to consider approval of the calendar at the January 19, 2021, School Board meeting.

2020-2021 School Year Calendar Revision: The Board approved a revised 2020-2021 School Year Calendar. The revision incorporates the three remaining Late Start/Early Dismissal teacher professional development dates and times into the Wednesday afternoon distance learning planning. Thank you to the Staff Development Committee's review, input and support of the recommended changes.

Miscellaneous

Statewide Enrollment Options: The Board approved the following enrollment options:

- One (1) Student from another district choosing to attend school in our District Fall of 2021.