

June 1, 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.

## **Special School Board Budget Work Session**

The School Board met June 1, 2020, at 5:30 pm for a budget planning work session. The focus of the work session was to examine the long-range budget development for the school district. Four Board members attended in person at the Secondary School while three members attended remotely via Google Meet. Also participating in the meeting were Doug Anderson, Dave Bunn, Dale Carlson and Karla Christopherson.

The primary purpose for the work session was for the Board to consider revenue-generating strategies as the school district plans for continued deficit spending in order to maintain current programs and operations.

The Board took the following action. To move forward in preparing a resolution calling for an operational referendum for November 3, 2020. Administration is directed to conduct the necessary research in order to present a resolution recommendation for Board consideration no later than the July 20, 2020, School Board meeting.

Knowing the Board's decision to move forward with a November 2020 operational referendum to address a projected funding deficit for current programming and operations along with identified unmet and underfunded needs, administration will be preparing a recommended amount for Board consideration. A plan will also be developed for educating staff, parents, and community members as to the reason(s) for the Board's decision to move forward with an operational referendum.

It will be critical for staff to understand the purpose and focus of the resolution once approved. It will equally be important for staff to be engaged in the communication and education process throughout our communities leading up to a November vote.