

# *District Status Report*

*14 December 2018*

*2018-2019 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

[Health: Study documents state assessments' impact on students' stress levels](#)  
[Groundbreaking study examines effects of screen time on kids](#)  
[Referee shortage hamstrings high school sports](#)

2. **2019 MSBA Leadership Conference** – We believe everyone is set for the conference. I will be joining newly elected members Rich Mueller and Luke Routh on Wednesday, January 16, as they will be attending the Phase II training facilitated by MSBA. The training begins at 8:45 am and continues until 4:00 pm. I will be available later in the afternoon and evening on Wednesday to assist board members as you check in at the hotel. Mr. Mueller and Mr. Routh are planning to attend additional “Early Bird” sessions Wednesday evening. There may be interest for Board members to gather informally Wednesday evening and even discuss plans for Thursday including sessions to attend. We traditionally have met for breakfast Thursday morning around 7 am which may also provide an opportunity to review plans for the day. In the past, we have sat together for the opening session Thursday morning. Following the opening session, members have sometimes divided up and attended sessions according to personal interest and/or perhaps a general interest expressed by the Board.

Lunch plans on Thursday do not include the MSBA recognition lunch this year. However, this can be another opportunity for members to come together and share what they have already learned as well as discuss plans for the afternoon. As the afternoon comes to a close, it has been our tradition to enjoy a meal together Thursday evening.

Friday morning includes additional sessions as well as the closing session where we once again have sat together. The conference ends by noon on Friday. You may want to consider checking out of your room early Friday morning before heading to the Convention Center.

Please let me know how I can assist you as you navigate the many opportunities at the conference. I look forward to spending quality learning time with you.

3. **April 25, 2019 School Board Meeting Date Change** – At the January 7 Board Organizational Meeting, the Board will set the regular School Board meeting dates for 2019. The Board has already taken action to move the January and February meetings to the Tuesdays following the third Mondays due to national holidays. In addition, I will be recommending the Board moves its April 15, 2019, meeting to Tuesday, April 16 due to Secondary School Parent-Teacher Conferences also scheduled on April 15. This was an oversight in the scheduling of the 2018-2019 calendar, but I feel it would be less disruptive to change the Board meeting date than the planned date for parent-teacher conferences. I’m sharing this with you now so that you can put it on your calendar as a tentative meeting date.

4. **Quarterly Board Member Check-in with Dale** – Thank you for taking time to check in with me. I hope you found the time valuable to you. Below is a summary of items discussed. If you have specific questions regarding an item, please give me a call. Thank you.

- Facility Planning Update including bond issuance and additional costs
- October bus accident update
- Unpaid leave process
- Solar Garden
- Legion Field improvements
- Volunteer Process
- Food Choices – breakfast and lunch
- Moving 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> graders up in athletics

**5. Facility Planning Update and Work Session** – If the Board approves the facility bond referendum resolution and MDE’s Review and Comment document at the December 17 School Board meeting, then an important next step will be for the Board to hold a work session in January to review communication plans important to educating our communities about the project needs identified as part of the election question. Our consultant, ISG, is already working on a communication framework. Internally, I am working with principals to put in place systems and opportunities for staff to understand the project plans. It is important for the Board to continue leading the conversation throughout our communities about our facility and programming needs. I will work with the Board Chair to identify potential dates to hold a work session sometime in January.

## School Board Calendar of Events

December 17, 2018	6:00 pm	Truth-in-Taxation Public Meeting – Secondary School Media Center
	6:30 pm	School Board Meeting – Secondary School Media Center
January 7, 2019	5:30 pm	School Board Organizational Meeting – Board Room
January 16, 2019	8:30 am	MSBA Phase 2 Training for New Board Members - Minneapolis
January 17-18, 2019		MSBA Leadership Conference – Minneapolis
January 22, 2019 (Tuesday)	6:30 pm	School Board Meeting – Elementary School Media Center
February 19, 2019 (Tuesday)	6:30 pm	School Board Meeting – Secondary School Media Center

## Dale’s Calendar for December 17-21 (As of 12-14-18)

Monday	10:00 am	Meeting regarding MDE contacts
	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
	6:00 pm	Truth in Taxation Public Hearing
	6:30 pm	School Board Meeting
Tuesday	8:30 am	Administrative Team meeting
	11:30 am	Check in with Terri
	7:00 pm	GBB
Wednesday	9:00 am	Principal Evaluation Conference
	10:30 am	Meet with Corrine
	1:00 pm	Ryan Anderson
Thursday	9:00 am	Principal Evaluation Conference
	1:30 pm	Check in with Sue
	2:30 pm	Organizational Meeting Planning with Sue
Friday	8:00 am	Board meeting agenda planning with Board Chair
		Out of office in afternoon

**Thank you for all you do!**