

**22 February 2019** 

2018-2019 Report #30

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. MSBA Negotiations Seminar Karla Christopherson and I will be attending the February 27 seminar in Mankato. There is still time to join us. Please let Sue Kulseth know if you are interested. If the 27<sup>th</sup> does not work for you, you could attend on the 28<sup>th</sup> in Rochester.
- **2. Referendum Information Sessions Sign-up** Please continue to update the sheet on information sessions that we reviewed at the Board work session. If you have confirmed with a group, please put the date and time down in the appropriate column and highlight it yellow. I would appreciate a call or e-mail so that I could get it on my calendar and possibly attend with you. Call with questions.
- 3. Update on Potential Waiver of Cancelled School Days by State I've been asked in recent days if I know what is happening at the state level regarding possible adjustments in the required instructional hours. While the Governor had made comments publicly about districts not having to make-up a certain number of hours, it is our understanding any change regarding required hours and number of days must occur through legislative action and then signed by the Governor. There are efforts being made between some groups including MASA (my professional association) and MDE to arrive at possible language for the legislature to consider. However, in order for a change to happen, I am told that the education committees will have to pass the bill and refer the bill to the floor of the respective body (House and Senate). Each body would need to pass the same bill and have the Governor sign it. Even if this process plays out, it will take time. I will keep you informed as I get updates.

Keep in mind that even if the state adjusts its requirements, it will be left to local school districts to determine if it wants to lower the number of instructional minutes. This would ultimately be left to the Board to decide.

**4. Quarterly Check ins** – Sue Kulseth is in the process of scheduling your quarterly check-in. Dates are targeted for March 19 (3 - 8 pm), 20 (8 am - 8 pm), and 21 (8 am - 8 pm).

#### **School Board Calendar of Events**

February 27, 2019	8:30 am	MSBA Negotiations Seminar – Mankato – Dale & Karla attending
February 28, 2019	8:30 am	MSBA Negotiations Seminar – Rochester
March 11, 2019	6:00 pm	Elementary School Open House (April 9 Special Election)
March 14, 2019	6:00 pm	Secondary School Open House (April 9 Special Election)
March 18, 2019	6:30 pm	School Board Meeting – Elementary School Media Center
April 9, 2019		SPECIAL ELECTION
April 16, 2019 (Tuesday)	6:30 pm	School Board Meeting – Secondary School Media Center

## Dale's Calendar for February 25 – March 1 (As of 2-22-19)

Monday	9:30 am	Check in with Doug
	10:00 am	Check in with Terri
	1:30 pm	Check in with Dave

	2:00 pm 2:30 pm 3:30 pm 6:30 pm	Check in with Karla Check in with Sue Meet with staff member City of New Richland Council Meeting – Referendum Presentation
Tuesday	10:00 am 12:30 pm	Scheduling meeting with Tim and Dave Everyday Communications Class Presentation
Wednesday	8:30 am 3:30 pm	MSBA Negotiations Seminar in Mankato (All Day) Insurance meeting
Thursday	8:00 am 6:30 pm 7:30 pm	MASA Region 2 Superintendent Meeting in Mankato (All Day) NR Lions – Referendum Presentation City of Ellendale Council Meeting – Referendum Presentation
Friday	7:30 am 10:00 am	Green Eggs and Ham Breakfast PTO meeting with Doug, Dave, Karla and Corrine

Thank you for all you do!