

District Status Report

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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

Providing students with knowledge, skills, and attitudes which enable them to succeed in a globally competitive society.

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Be Positive, Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe

Information – Communication -- Correspondence

1. News From Around the State and Beyond

[Report: Legislative Auditor says Minnesota's teacher licensure system is broken, needs significant changes](#)

[Politics: Session Snapshot](#)

[Editorial: Automatic pay hikes put pressure on Minnesota schools](#)

[Politics: What education issues are on tap for 2016 session?](#)

[Politics: Senate Republicans pitch education plan](#)

[Politics: Legislative preview — budget and priorities](#)

[Every Student Succeeds Act: U.S. Education Department releases FAQ document on ESSA transition](#)

2. Strategic Planning Advisory Committee Meeting #1 – The objectives for our first meeting on March 21 are to:

- Review purpose of the Strategic Planning Advisory Committee
- Review/revise/ develop a school district Mission Statement
- Review/revise/develop a school district Vision Statement
- Review/revise/develop a set of fundamental belief statements

I have listed below members of the Advisory Committee. I plan to send out a letter later next week to the committee members regarding the agenda for the March 21 meeting. Please let me know if you have any questions regarding the committee membership.

Important dates to keep on your calendar include:

March 21 6:30 pm 1st Committee Meeting (Board Meeting to start at 5:30 pm) in Ellendale
March 29 6:30 pm 2nd Committee Meeting in New Richland
April 12 6:30 pm 3rd Committee Meeting in Ellendale

School Board (7)

Rick Schultz
Michele Moxon
JoAnn Maloney
Lori Routh
Mark Tollefson
Mike Moen
Travis Routh

Administration / Management (4)

Dale Carlson, Superintendent
Doug Anderson, Elementary Principal
David Bunn, Secondary Principal
Karla Christopherson, Business Manager

Faculty / Support Staff (7)

Terri Engel Curriculum & Instruction Coordinator
Jodi Johnson Secondary Para
Teri Kormann Assistant to Secondary Principal
Joanie Olson Secondary Teacher (Spanish)
Jamie Radtke Elementary Teacher (Media Center)
Stacy Stork Elementary Teacher (Grade 3)
Mike Weber Secondary Teacher (English)

Students (2)

Ben Lewer Grade 10
Rachel Collins Grade 11

Parents (6)

Brandon Wayne
Allyson Hagen
Stacy Simon
Macy Whiteside
Larry Nydegger
Rhonda Staloch

Community (4)

Pastor Paul Andree
Kyle Reed
Scott Groth
Tammy Busho

3. **Knowledge Bowl** – I had the privilege of attending the Knowledge Bowl meet in Mankato this morning as NRHEG hosted the event. Thank you to coach Mary Sack and the volunteer chaperones who assist our team of more than 20 students. I was given the opportunity to welcome all the teams and was so proud of our students!

4. **Battle of the Books** – I also enjoyed attending the Battle of the Books competition at the Elementary School in the afternoon today. I was put to work helping time and score. The competition was outstanding! Thank you to organizer Jill Freeman!

5. **March Staff Chats** – I have scheduled Staff Chats for next week on Wednesday (Elementary School), and Thursday (Secondary School). The focus of the Chats will be the Community Survey. I plan to go through the School Perceptions Power Point for staff who are interested and attempt to share much of what Sue Peterson covered with the Board on February 16.

School Board Calendar of Events

March 21, 2016	5:30 pm	School Board Meeting – Elementary School Media Center
	6:30 pm	Strategic Planning Committee Meeting #1 – Elementary School Media Center
March 29, 2016	6:30 pm	Strategic Planning Committee Meeting #2 – Secondary School Media Center
April 12, 2016	6:30 pm	Strategic Planning Committee Meeting #3 – Elementary School Media Center
April 18, 2016	6:30 pm	School Board Meeting – Secondary School Media Center

Dale's Calendar for March 7 - 11 (As of 3-4-16)

Monday		2 Hour Late Start
	9:00 am	Check in with Doug
	10:00 am	Check in with Terri
	1:30 pm	Check in with Dave
	2:30 pm	Check in with Karla
	3:00 pm	Check in with Sue
	7:30 pm	Girl's BB
Tuesday		Check in with Doug & Dave
	9:00 am	Check in with Doug & Dave
	10:00 am	Strategic Planning Meeting with Dave, Doug, Karla, Terri
	1:00 pm	Budgeting Meeting with AD
	7:30 pm	Band Concert
Wednesday		Staff Chat – Elementary School
	7:30 am	Staff Chat – Elementary School
	9:00 am	Staffing Meeting – Elementary
	11:00 am	Meet with AFSME Representative
	3:30 pm	Staff Chat - Elementary
Thursday		Staff Chat – Secondary
	7:30 am	Staff Chat – Secondary
	9:00 am	Staffing Meeting – Secondary
	3:30 pm	Staff Chat - Secondary
Friday		School Board Meeting Agenda Planning with Board Chair
	7:30 am	School Board Meeting Agenda Planning with Board Chair

Thank you for all you do!