

Dale's School Board Meeting Recap

February 19, 2019 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 recognition was given to members of the School Board as we join school districts across Minnesota this week in recognizing our school board members for the contributions they make to the school district and our communities. Thank you to past board members and to our current members Karen Flatness, Rich Mueller, Luke Routh, Travis Routh, Neil Schlaak, Dan Schmidt, and Rick Schultz!**

Student Achievement and Student Support

Teaching and Learning Feature: Thank you Robin Eder and Brooke Krohn for presenting an update on the REACH program and for all you have done to make it a success!

Intermediate District 288 Resolution for Membership: The Board approved a resolution for the District to apply for membership to Intermediate District 288 (Southwest Metro). The interest in joining 288 is a result of ongoing study and evaluation of expanding services for students with special needs. The objective has been to increase therapeutic services (Setting IV) to meet the increased demands of mental health and behavioral struggles of students in kindergarten through sixth grade. Our membership application will be forwarded to the Intermediate District 288 Board of Directors for consideration.

Workforce

Resignations/Retirements – The Board approved the following retirement resignation. Congratulations and thank you to Gayle for your many years of service to the school district. You have made a positive difference in the lives of so many students!

- Gayle Dummer – Speech/Language Clinician (40 years in education with 24 in NRHEG)

Superintendent Mid-Year Performance Review Summary – Board Chair Rick Schultz read into the minutes a summary of the Board’s mid-year performance review for the Superintendent.

Finance

Resolution for Reduction of Programs and Positions -- The Board adopted a resolution for the purpose of planning and for the Administration to have the authority recommend reductions in programs and staffing for 2019-2020 school year in necessary. This action is taken annually by the Board.

Board Governance

2nd Reading of Board Policy 503 Student Attendance: The Board approved the second and final reading of revisions made to Policy 503 that reflects changes in removing specific procedural language from the policy and inserts into the Student Handbooks for each school.

Student Handbook Revisions Regarding Student Attendance Procedures: The Board approved recommended revisions to the Elementary Student Handbook and to the Secondary Student Handbook specific to attendance procedures. Principals Anderson and Bunn presented changes to the Board at the January School Board meeting. (See Dale’s January Recap)

Resolution Appointing Election Judges for the April 9, 2019 School District Special Election: The Board approved the resolution appointing judges for the April 9 election. A list of election judges was attached to the resolution.