Board Brief

Brief notes from the Mead School District Board of Directors Meeting

Meeting Date: Jan. 24, 2022  |  Meeting Agenda  |  Minutes from 1/10/22 Meeting

Business Items

- Director of Student Services Josh Westermann presented the third reading of Revised Policy and Procedure 3122 Excused and Unexcused Absences, which aligns both the policy and procedure with state law and current district practices. Full text of the item can be found in the meeting agenda. The item was approved by the Board.
- Director of Human Resources Keri Hutchins presented the third reading of Policy and Procedure 4040 and Resolution 21-15 Adoption of Public Access to District Records. The adoption of this policy continues the District's updating of policies with WSSDA's new numbering system. Board members were able to review and ask questions. Full text of the item can be found in the meeting agenda. The item was approved by the Board.
- Director of Student Services Josh Westermann presented the second reading of Policy 3411 Accommodating Students with Seizure Disorders or Epilepsy. Board members were able to review and ask questions. Full text of the item can be found in the meeting agenda. The item was approved by the Board.
- Resolution 22-02 2022-23 Financial Emergency & Budget Uncertainty was presented by Chief Financial Officer Heather Ellingson. The Resolution is based on uncertainty in the budget in the upcoming school year due to a number of factors. The full text of the resolution can be found in the agenda. The Board approved the resolution with requested changes to the language.
- Director of Human Resources Keri Hutchins presented the Mead Combined Trades Association contract/bargaining agreement. The item was approved by the Board.
- Assistant Superintendent Heather Havens presented two calendar revisions to the Board for the 2021-22 school year.
  - The Board approved moving Elementary Conferences from Feb. 9-11 to March 9-11 due to interruptions in student learning and assessment data: Revised Calendar.
Due to the Snow Day taken on Jan. 6, the last day of school was moved to Monday, June 20 from Friday, June 17 and approved by the Board.

**District Reports**

- Chief Financial Officer Heather Ellingson presented the December 2021 Financial Report. This report covered January 3rd enrollment numbers, state apportionment numbers, legislature monitoring for bills that impact public education, expenditures, General Fund balances and future planning.
- Superintendent Shawn Woodward reported on a number of departments within the District that are doing all they can to keep school safe and open. There are a number of examples that have led to the District opening school each day, including increased substitute hiring, continuous recruiting efforts, staff covering for each other, transportation meeting daily challenges, nutrition services adjustments, custodian shift changes, District Office staff filling in and centralized COVID testing offerings.