

INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 624
WHITE BEAR LAKE, MN 55110

A work study session of the White Bear Lake Area School Board was held on **Monday, October 24, 2016** at 5:30 p.m. in Community Room 112 at the District Center, 4855 Bloom Avenue, White Bear Lake, MN.

A. PROCEDURAL ITEMS

1. Call to order - Newberg called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Roll Call - Present: Chapman, Fahey, Kimball, Mullin, Newberg, Wilson
Absent: Newmaster
Ex-officio: Lovett
Student Representative: Martins (5:52 p.m.), Sherrick (6:25 p.m.)
Cabinet: Garrison, Goers, Kazmierczak, Maurer, Paul, Vette

B. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Director of Communications & Community Relations Marisa Vette explained that the recording of the September 26, 2016 work study meeting was not on the district website because of technical difficulties. Video of the regular board meeting and recording of the work study meeting are now available on the district website.

1. Update on School Board/Superintendent Goals and Strategic Plan Priorities for 2016-17 - Superintendent Michael Lovett presented the updated document highlighting two items. By the end of October, 2016, the administration plans to inform the YMCA that we will not be able to extend the lease of four classrooms at Birch Lake Elementary because these classrooms will be needed in 2017-18 for our own preschool programming. The first board listening session will be related to the superintendent search.
2. Review of Health Insurance Proposed Rate Increase - Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations Wayne Kazmierczak and Pierre Guilfoile, National Insurance Services Inc., provided an update regarding the proposed increase to the District's health insurance rates. The district insurance committee has voted to include Grand Rounds, a program to assist employees in navigating medical events.
3. Proposed Changes in Secondary Courses for 2017-18 - Assistant Superintendent Sara Paul, Secondary Teaching and Learning Coordinator Jill Pearson, Principals Tim Wald, Christina Pierre, and Tim Schochenmaier presented the rationale for proposed changes to academic programming for 2017-2018 including new courses, changes to existing courses, expansion of concurrent enrollment opportunities, and elimination of courses. The document is available in the work study packet on the district website.

4. Plans for Evaluation of International Baccalaureate Programs, Consistent with Strategic Plan Action Step I.4 - Assistant Superintendent Sara Paul, Secondary Teaching and Learning Coordinator Jill Pearson, Assessment Coordinator Brian Morris, Principals Christine Pierre and Tim Schochenmaier presented four options on conducting an evaluation of the IB programs. The Center for Applied Research and Educational Improvement (CAREI) will be contacted for more information on their proposal.
5. Update on Options for Ice Arena Rentals - Superintendent Michael Lovett and Assistant Superintendent for Finance and Operations Wayne Kazmierczak presented an update on options being considered for ice arena rental. The goal is to provide a long term commitment for a quality facility at a reasonable price.
6. School Board Chair Janet Newberg led the discussion on the superintendent selection process. A subcommittee consisting of Vice-chair Kimball and board members Chapman and Fahey will outline a selection process, collect input from stakeholders, and present a recommendation for the selection process at the November work study session.

C. ADJOURNMENT - Chair Newberg adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.

Submitted by: Ellen Fahey, Clerk