



**White Bear Lake Area Schools
School Board Meeting Highlights
August 14, 2017
Regular Meeting**

At the August 14, 2017 School Board Regular meeting of the White Bear Lake Area School Board, the following items were presented and discussed:

1. **Communications Audit.** Communications Director Marisa Vette and Communications Specialist Ariana Babcock presented to the Board a report of the external Communications Audit conducted this spring with Barbara Nicol Public Relations. The process included discussion groups, staff and parent surveys, a review of district communications materials and methods, and discussions with district leaders. Presenters also gave an overview of communications priorities for the 2017-18 school year.

See the presentation [here](#).

The following agenda items were acted upon:

1. **Action on Northeast Metropolitan Intermediate School District 916's Long Term Facility Maintenance Budget and Proportionate Share.** The Board approved the *Resolution Approving Northeast Metropolitan Intermediate School District No. 916's Long Term Facility Maintenance Budget and Authorizing the Inclusion of a Proportionate Share of Those Projects in the District's Application for Long Term Facility Maintenance Revenue*. White Bear Lake Area Schools' proportionate share of project costs for fiscal years 2018 and 2019 is \$26,296.43.
2. **Action on Resolution Relating to the Election of School Board Members and Calling the School District General Election on November 7, 2017.** The Board approved the *Resolution Relating to Election of School Board Members and Calling to School District General Election*.

See the General Election Ballot [here](#).

3. **Action on Resolution Relating to Renewing the Expiring Referendum Revenue Authorization of the School District and Calling an Election Thereon.** The Board approved the *Resolution Relating to Renewing the Expiring Referendum Revenue Authorization of the School District and Calling an Election Thereon*.

See the Special Election Ballot [here](#).

See the press release [here](#).

4. **Action on Partnership with MacPhail Center for Music for 2017-18.** The Board approved the partnership with MacPhail Center for Music for 2017-18, which includes group piano lessons during the school day for students in grades 2-5, a specialized music program provided weekly to students in grades K and 1, and violin lessons for students in grades 3 and 4. Additionally, MacPhail has been generous in providing resources and expertise to our secondary music program at no cost, as well as offering student lesson scholarships. The net cost to the District is \$25,875 and was included in the 2017-18 budget.

5. **Action on Nutrition Services Grants.** The Board approved acceptance of the following Nutrition Services Grants: National School Lunch Program Equipment Grant in the amount of \$25,000; Winston Industries Equipment Grant - ten pieces of Winston Industries hot holding equipment totaling \$51,775; and Super School Breakfast Grant totaling \$10,000.

See a National School Lunch Program Equipment Grant press release [here](#).

See a Winston Industries Equipment Grant press release [here](#).

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