



**White Bear Lake Area Schools
School Board Meeting Highlights
March 27, 2017
Work-Study Meeting**

At the March 27, 2017 School Board Work-Study meeting of the White Bear Lake Area School Board, the following agenda items were presented and discussed:

1. **Primary Election Discussion.** Mr. Joseph Mansky, Ramsey County Elections Manager, was in attendance to discuss with the School Board the possibility of eliminating the primary election in future District elections. A Fall 2015 letter from Mr. Mansky describes White Bear Lake Area Schools' situation and provides important data to consider as a change is contemplated.

See the letter [here](#).

2. **School Board/Superintendent Goals and Strategic Plan Priorities for 2016-17.** Board members were provided with an updated copy of priorities for 2016-17 reflecting changes or adjustments since the February work-study session.

- a. The Board reviewed and discussed the update.
- b. Demographic Report - Hazel Reinhart from Hazen Reinhardt Consulting Services presented the results of an enrollment and housing study she completed on the District's behalf. Assistant Superintendent for Finance & Operations Dr. Wayne Kazmierczak also was present to answer questions.

See the presentation [here](#).

- c. Update on International Baccalaureate Program Review - Christopher Desjardins and Debra Ingram, from the Center for Applied Research and Educational Improvement (CAREI), shared Phase One findings of an International Baccalaureate Program, which included a Literature Review and data summary of district and IB program enrollment retention. Also present to answer questions were Assistant Superintendent for Teaching and Learning Sara Paul, Assessment Coordinator Brian Morris, and Teaching and Learning Coordinator Jill Pearson.

See the presentation [here](#).

3. **Review of Proposed Changes in EMID Joint Powers Agreement.** Dr. Michael Lovett and School Board Member Ellen Fahey presented the Board with information and discussion about the seventh Amended Joint Powers Agreement revised July 2017 for review. Changes are due to the conveyance of the schools and a new business model with the registration of doing business as Equity Alliance MN.

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