

TO: Bayfield School Board
FROM: Dave Aslyn
DATE: August 7, 2013
SUBJECT: August District Administrator Report

1. Sequestration and Federal Aid

The Federal sequester continues with no end in sight. We know that some areas of our budget that come from federal aid, such as Title I and IDEA, are reduced from last year and we have budgeted accordingly. We have received guidance on how to estimate for Impact Aid, but have no final number on that important aid source. We have budgeted based on the estimate guidance we have been given. I will keep you posted when final allocation information is received.

2. Wisconsin Accountability Index

The DPI will provide an embargoed version of the school and district report cards later this month. The data will be released a little later in the fall. We have been told that we will receive scores for areas that the state was unable to provide data for last year. Unfortunately, the DPI is still not issuing report cards in cases involving small student groups, like the LaPointe School. Report card information will be presented at a board meeting after the embargo has been lifted.

3. Employee Health Insurance

Jeff Steckbauer from M3 insurance will be facilitating a meeting of the District's Insurance Task Force on Thursday, August 8th. The staff survey showed that employees felt strongly about keeping WEA Trust insurance and Jeff will discuss survey information with the Task Force. Jeff will also be on hand for the Finance Committee meeting to provide recommendations for health insurance.

4. Worker's Compensation Litigation

The District has received notification that an employee has filed suit against the District for compensation relating to a workplace injury that occurred a few years back. Our insurance company, EMC, is handling the District's defense of this claim as it is related to Worker's Compensation. I will keep you updated on the case as it progresses.

5. Strategic Planning Update

The District is set to resume the strategic planning process this month. Kevin Stranberg has completed the data work on the community survey. A special School Board meeting for strategic planning is scheduled for 4:30 p.m. on Monday, August 26th at the school.

6. Start of Year Inservice

The Administrative Team is wrapping up planning for the start of year inservice. New Teacher orientation will take place on Monday, August 26th. All teachers will be on hand for inservice August 27th -29th. This is going to be a busy week. There is a lot of information to disseminate and important training to take place on top of teachers having time to get ready for students the following week. I want to extend the invitation to you to attend the traditional District Breakfast on the morning of Thursday, August 29th.

7. Annual Financial Audit

The District's annual audit is set to begin on August 19th. Mrs. Curry and Mr. Lasee have been working hard to prepare for the audit. The Board will receive a report of audit findings when everything is completed.