NOTICE OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE SCHOOL BOARD
GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #1
Monday, March 9, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.
Mark Sanford Education Center, 2400 47th Avenue South, Grand Forks, ND

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. CELEBRATING SUCCESS
   A. Community High School

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   A. February 24, 2020

V. CITIZEN COMMENTS (non-agenda items)
   (Citizens wishing to address the school board are asked to complete a Citizen Comment Card and submit it to the school board secretary prior to the start of the meeting. Citizens wishing to comment on non-agenda items will be invited by the chairperson to speak during the Citizen Comments item. Citizens wishing to comment on a specific agenda item will be invited by the chairperson to speak when that specific agenda item is reached. Each person may speak for up to three (3) minutes and will not be recognized a second time until all citizens wishing to speak have been heard. The chairperson reserves the right to limit the discussion and the number of speakers. School Board members shall not engage in a response or enter into a debate about any issue(s) brought before the board during this portion of the meeting. Citizens’ comments and concerns will be directed to the Superintendent of Schools, who will deal with them according to policies adopted by the Board.)

VI. SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR DISCUSSION
   A. Review School Board Norms
   B. Facilities Taskforce Update
   C. Youth Risk Behavior Survey 2019 Results

VII. SUPERINTENDENT’S RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ACTION
   A. Consent Agenda –Appointments, Open Enrollment Applications, and Resignations
   B. Resolution Providing for Public Sale of up to $955,000 General Obligation Special Assessment Prepayment Bonds, Series 2020A
   C. Resolution Providing for Public Sale of $2,735,000 Taxable Limited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2020B
   D. Facilities Core Planning Team Appointments
   E. Superintendent Evaluation Committee Report:
      1. Superintendent’s March Evaluation
      2. Superintendent’s Contract Extension

VIII. OTHER
   A. Announcements
   B. Board Requests for Future Consideration
      (There should be no discussion concerning an individual item that is requested for future consideration. The Board President and Superintendent will determine the best method of response to board requests for future consideration.)
   C. School Board Norms - How Did We Do?

IX. ADJOURNMENT

Any person who requires an auxiliary aid or service to allow access or participation at a school board meeting is asked to notify the superintendent’s office (787-4880) at least one day before the meeting.
The Grand Forks School Board met in regular session on Monday, February 24, 2020, at Ben Franklin Elementary School with Bill Palmiscno presiding.

**Board Members Present:**
Bill Palmiscno, President/Voting Member  
Amber Flynn, Vice President/Voting Member  
Doug Carpenter, Voting Member  
Jacqueline Hoffarth, Voting Member  
Eric Lunn, Voting Member  
Jeff Manley, Voting Member  
Shannon Mikula, Voting Member  
Matt Spivey, Voting Member

**Student Board Members Present:**
Oliver Wolfe, Non-voting Member

**Board Members Absent:**
Cynthia Shabb, Voting Member

**Student Board Members Absent:**
Riley Thoreson, Non-voting Member

**Others Present:**
Dr. Terry Brenner, Superintendent of Schools  
Scott J. Berge, Business Manager  
Jody Thompson, Associate Superintendent of Elementary Education  
Catherine Gillach, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education  
Amanda Weston Caillier, President, Grand Forks Education Association (GFEA)  
Cindy Johnson, Executive Secretary

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**Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance.** The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m.

**Facility Tour.** A tour of the facility was conducted.

**Approval of Agenda.** It was moved by Carpenter and seconded by Lunn to approve the agenda as written. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Shabb.

**Approval of Minutes.** It was moved by Lunn and seconded by Spivey to rescind the action taken on February 10, 2020, to approve the January 21, 2020, minutes as written. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Shabb.

It was moved by Spivey and seconded by Hoffarth to approve the January 21, 2020, minutes as corrected. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Shabb.

It was moved by Carpenter and seconded by Lunn to approve the minutes of February 10, 2020, and February 12, 2020, as written. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Shabb.

**Citizen Comments (non-agenda items).** None.

**Review School Board Norms.** Hoffarth read aloud the school board norms.

**Curriculum, Instruction, and Technology Update.** Amy Bartsch, Chief Academic Officer, and Eric Ripley, Executive Director of Career and Technical Education and Technology, gave an update of the Curriculum, Instruction, and Technology Department, which is in its first year as a merged department.
School Board Election Process Timeline. Berge reported there are five positions on the Grand Forks School Board with terms expiring in June 2020. They are Amber Flynn, Eric Lunn, Jeff Manley, Cynthia Shabb, and Matt Spivey. Four of the positions are four-year terms and one position is a two-year term. As per the recently approved Joint Powers Agreement with Grand Forks County for Election Services, the school district will participate in the June 9, 2020, statewide election with Grand Forks County and the City of Grand Forks. The deadline for candidates to file elections forms with the Business Manager is 4:00 p.m. on April 6, 2020.

District Calendar for 2020-2021 – Indigenous Peoples’ Day, Start and End Dates, Blackout Dates, and PLC Early Release Days. The following citizens spoke in support of including Indigenous Peoples’ Day on the district calendar:

Cindy Jansson, Grand Forks, ND
Kimberly Forness Wilson, Grand Forks, ND
Jeb Wilson, Grand Forks, ND
Donald Warne, East Grand Forks, MN
Aiyana Luke, Grand Forks, ND
Will Lovelace, Grand Forks, ND
Sarah Galbraith, Grand Forks, ND
Brittney Christy, Grand Forks, ND
Courtney Davis Souvannasacd, Grand Forks, ND
Katie Dachtler, Grand Forks, ND
Maura Ferguson, Grand Forks, ND
Jane Croeker, Grand Forks, ND
Avara (illegible), Grand Forks, ND
Nelenah GreyEyes, Grand Forks, ND
Destince Williams, Grand Forks, ND
Eric Burin, Grand Forks, ND
Unidentified Citizen

Dr. Brenner reported the administration’s recommendation to include Indigenous Peoples’ Day on the school district’s main PDF calendar found on the district’s home webpage.

Wolfe spoke in support of including Indigenous Peoples’ Day on the district calendar.

Mikula spoke about doing more than the minimum standard in the curriculum.

It was moved by Mikula and seconded by Hoffarth to add Indigenous Peoples’ Day to the calendar as recommended by administration. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Shabb.

Gillach reiterated the administration’s recommendation to approve the 2020-2021 District Calendar with modified start and end dates of August 26, 2020, for grades K-9 and August 27, 2020, for grades 10-12; 22 elementary blackout days, 14 middle school blackout days, and 16 high school blackout days; and 14 early release days for all school levels.

It was moved by Lunn and seconded by Carpenter to approve the 2020-2021 start and end dates, blackout days, and PLC early release days as recommended and to remove the word ‘holiday’ from the school breaks. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Shabb.

Consent Agenda. It was moved by Carpenter and seconded by Lunn to approve the consent agenda as follows: Appointment of Kim Lloyd (salary $17,393 (62 days)) effective March 2, 2020, and Resignations of Kathryn Baker, Briauna Corneliusen, Mariah Dolan, Jerome Gunderson, and Jeffrey Rasmussen effective May 29, 2020. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Shabb.

General Fund Financial Statement. Berge reported for the period of July 1, 2019, through January 31, 2020, total general fund revenues were $59,398,281 and total general fund expenditures were $53,730,967, resulting in an excess of revenues over expenses of $5,667,314. He reported the General Fund balance has decreased by $4.5M in the last two years, $2.8M of which is related to construction expenditures. Revenues increased by 1.2% compared to the budget of 1% but that is not enough to cover the expense growth. Construction expenditures are $1.8M higher than last year at this same time. He estimates the General Fund balance will be in the $5-6M range at the end of 2020-2021, which would put the district in a critical range.

It was moved by Carpenter and seconded by Spivey to approve the General Fund Financial Statement for the period July 1, 2019, through January 31, 2020. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Shabb.
Agreement Between Districts Committee Report – Joint Powers Agreement between District #140 and District #1 for Educational Services. Dr. Brenner reported on the February 5, 2020, meeting of the Agreement Between Districts Committee. Recommended updates to the agreement for the 2020-2021 fiscal year are limited to an update of the dates. The proposed agreement was approved by the Grand Forks Air Force Base School board on February 18, 2020.

It was moved by Hoffarth and seconded by Lunn to approve the Joint Powers Agreement between District #140 and District #1 for Educational Services for the 2020-2021 fiscal year as recommended. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Shabb.

Finance Committee Report – Possible Savings Options and Refinancing. Carpenter reported on the February 12, 2020, meeting of the Finance Committee. The committee’s first recommendation is to authorize the business manager to proceed with pursuing possible savings options which could include refinancing existing debt, an annual savings of approximately $20,000; issuing debt and paying off the District’s special assessments, an overall savings of approximately $205,000; or a combination of the two, an annual savings of approximately $30-$35,000. Berge explained details of this recommendation and said the relative resolutions will be presented at the next school board meeting.

The committee’s second recommendation is to authorize additional funding for construction services and sustainment costs for the 2019-2020 fiscal year. It was moved by Carpenter and seconded by Lunn to approve an additional $650,000 for construction services and $350,000 for sustainment costs for the 2019-2020 fiscal year. Motion carried unanimously. Absent: Shabb.

Announcements. Wolfe was congratulated on his academic achievements.

Gillach announced the District is co-hosting a mental health collaborative on March 7 and invited board members to attend.
School Board Meeting Norms

The purpose of establishing school board norms is to ensure that all individuals have the opportunity to contribute in the meeting; to increase productivity and effectiveness; and to facilitate the achievement of its goals.

NORMS

1) Be prepared
2) Be on time
3) Value and respect each other
4) Exercise thoughtful deliberation and conversation
5) Be professional at the Board table and when visiting with the general public
6) Speak up when the norms are not being followed
7) Advocate on behalf of students and keep the community in mind

GOVERNANCE

1) Lead by policy
2) Serve as advocates for K-12 public education
3) Entrust the day-to-day operations to the professionals; Let the administrators do their work
4) Assist community members and stakeholders in following the chain of command

OTHER

1) Consider staff and District capacity in resources
2) Balance the meeting agendas so one meeting isn't heavier than the other

Board Approved 10.8.18
MEMORANDUM

TO: Grand Forks School Board Members
FROM: Dr. Terry Brenner, Superintendent of Schools
SUBJECT: March 9, 2020
DATE: Facilities Taskforce Update

At your March 9, 2020, school board meeting, Tom Weber, Senior Business Consultant from SitelogIQ, will be on hand via Zoom to update you on how the Facilities Taskforce application process went, the selection of prospective taskforce members, and the preparations for forthcoming meetings scheduled for March 12 and 26, respectively. Mr. Weber will be stepping out of his own school board meeting for this conversation, thus we anticipate him being with us not more than fifteen minutes.
MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 09, 2020
TO: Dr. Terry Brenner, Superintendent
FROM: Catherine Gillach, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education
RE: Youth Risk Behavior Survey 2019 Results

Ms. Sarah Shimek, our Character Education and Prevention coordinator, will be present at the board meeting to share the findings and trend data from the 2019 Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS). The survey has been administered to our students in grades 6-12. The survey is done every other year and provides our district with valuable information used to evaluate programming, interventions, and supports available to students in both our schools and community.

Attached is a copy of the PowerPoint presentation.
GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOLS
SCHOOL BOARD PRESENTATION
YOUTH RISK BEHAVIOR SURVEY (YRBS) 2019
MARCH 9, 2020

INSTRUMENT HISTORY

The Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) was developed by the Division of Adolescent and School Health (DASH), National Center for Chronic Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, and the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), in collaboration with the North Dakota Department of Public Instruction (DPI).

The YRBS is designed to focus on behaviors related to the leading causes of death and disability among youth and young adults and to assess how these risk behaviors change over time.

It is a self-reporting survey to measure priority health-risk behaviors that fall mainly into 6 categories:

- Behavior that result in injuries and violence
- Alcohol, tobacco and other drug use
- Sexuality behaviors
- Dietary behaviors
- Physical activity and
- Sexual behaviors that result in HIV infection, other sexually transmitted diseases (STD’s), and unintended pregnancies

The YRBS and Youth Tobacco Survey (YTS) are conducted biannually in the late winter/early spring of odd years. Therefore, this survey will be conducted again in the late winter/early spring of 2021, 2023, etc.

GFPS administered this survey in February, 2019 to 6-12 grade students.

Middle School 6-8 57 questions per survey
High School 9-12 98 questions per survey

DATA ANALYSIS

Winkelman Consulting

Mark Winkelman of Winkelman Consulting analyzed and processed the data from the GFPS secondary surveys conducted in February 2019. Mr. Winkelman is available to answer any technical questions.

Email: MRWinkelman@gmail.com
Phone: 701-237-2283
Parents are notified of the survey through electronic school newsletters and on the GFPS website.

**GFPS REGIONAL DATA**

REGIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION (REA)

Schools Included in the Red River Valley Education Cooperative (RRVEC):
- Cavalier
- Central Valley
- Drayton
- Emerado
- Finley-Sharon
- Fordville-Lankin
- Grafton
- Grand Forks
- Hatton
- Hillsboro
- Hope-Page
- Larimore
- May-Port CG
- Midway
- Minto
- North Border
- Northwood
- Park River
- St. Thomas
- Thompson
- Valley-Edinburg

**MIDDLE SCHOOLS**

1286 STUDENTS

- Twining: 67 Students
- Schroeder: 400 Students
- South: 384 Students
- Valley: 435 Students

Female: 48.4%
Male: 51.6%

**Students at Different Middle Schools**

- Twining: 5%
- Valley: 14%
- Schroeder: 31%
- South: 38%

**Demographics: Race/Ethnicity**

- White: 3.10%
- Black: 1.92%
- Hispanic: 7.20%
- Asian: 0.50%
- Native American: 1.40%
- Mixed: 8.20%
- Other: 6.40%
**MIDDLE SCHOOLS**

1286 STUDENTS

**Sex**

- **Total Number of Females:** 623
- **Total Number of Males:** 663

Female: 48.4%

Male: 51.6%

**Grade Distribution**

- **6th Grade:** 467
- **7th Grade:** 428
- **8th Grade:** 384
- **No Responses:** 7

**MIDDLE SCHOOLS**

**BULLYING**

- **31.5%** of middle school students in GFPS reported that they have been bullied on school property.
  - Region of RRVEC: 34.9%
  - ND State: 39.8%
- **15.9%** of middle school students reported that they have been electronically bullied.
  - Region of RRVEC: 19.9%
  - ND State: 25.0%

**INJURY TO ONESELF & SUICIDE**

- **21.5%** of middle school students in GFPS reported feeling sad or hopeless (almost every day for two or more weeks in a row that they stopped doing some usually activities ever during the 12 months before the survey)
  - Region: 23.6%
  - ND State: 26.2%
- **18.0%** of middle school students in GFPS have ever seriously thought about killing themselves
  - Region: 19.1%
  - ND State: 22.1%
12.2% of middle school students in GFPS have ever made a plan about how they would kill themselves.
Region: 12.6%
ND State: 15.7%

7.7% of middle school students in GFPS have ever tried to kill themselves.
Region: 7.0%
ND State: 10.3%

11.6% of students have tried a drink (or a few sips) of alcohol.
Region: 16.2%
ND State: 22.5%

4.6% of middle school students have tried alcohol before the age of 11.
Region: 4.9%
ND State: 8.2%
Middle Schools Binge Drinking

4.1% of middle school students ever had 5 or more drinks in a row.
Region: 5.4%
ND State: 10.0%

Middle Schools Marijuana

4.1% of middle school students have ever tried marijuana
Region: 4.9%
ND State: 8.5%

55.2% of middle school students have used marijuana by smoking it in a joint, bong, pipe, or blunt.
Region: 50.6%
ND State: 73.5%

Middle Schools Tobacco

Have never tried smoking even one or two puffs:
GFPS: 93.8%
Region: 92.3%
ND State: 89.1%

Have you ever used an electronic vapor product?
6th graders: 5.7%
7th graders: 13.1%
8th graders: 21.2%

Middle Schools Prescription Drugs

4.2% of middle school students have never taken prescription pain medicine without a doctor's prescription or differently than how a doctor told them to use it (counting drugs such as Codeine, Vicodin, OxyContin, Hydrocodone, and Percocet)
Region: 5.5%
ND State: 6.8%
2.6% of GFPS middle school students ever had sexual intercourse.
Region: 3.6%
ND State: 5.5%

7.7% Gay or Lesbian or Bisexual
9.8% are 6th Graders
5.9% are 7th Graders
7.3% are 8th Graders

Dietary Behaviors: Weight
27.9% described themselves as overweight
38.4% were trying to lose weight

Physical Activity
20.5% of students watch television 3 or more hours per day
44.5% of students played video/computer games or used the computer 3+ hours per day non-school related
### MIDDLE SCHOOLS: SOCIAL CAPITAL - CONNECTIONS WITH FAMILY

**Percentage of students who would most likely talk with their parent or other adult family member about their feelings (among students who report having felt sad, empty, hopeless, angry, or anxious)**

- **GFPS:** 35.8%
- **Region:** 31.1%
- **ND State:** 31.9%

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**Percentage of students who reported their parents or other adults in their family most of the time or always ask where they are going or with whom they will be with**

- **GFPS:** 81.0%
- **Region:** 82.2%
- **ND State:** 79.2%

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**Percentage of students who participate in school activities one or more hours (such as sports, band, drama, or clubs during and average weeks when they are in school)**

- **GFPS:** 63.3%
- **Region:** 71.5%
- **ND State:** 76.1%
Percentage of students who reported there is at least one teacher or other adult in their school that they can talk to if they have a problem

**GFPS:** 63.7%
**Region:** 64.4%
**ND State:** 65.2%

### MIDDLE SCHOOLS

**SOCIAL CAPITAL: CONNECTIONS WITH PEOPLE AT SCHOOL**

Central: 528 Students
Red River: 615 Students

**Females:** 46.2%
**Males:** 53.8%

### HIGH SCHOOLS

**1143 STUDENTS**

Central: 528 Students
Red River: 615 Students

**Females:** 46.2%
**Males:** 53.8%
### HIGH SCHOOLS

**1143 STUDENTS**

Central: 528 Students  
Red River: 615 Students

Females: 46.2%  
Males: 53.8%

### SAFETY & INJURY PREVENTION

Percentage of students who drove when drinking alcohol (one or more times during the past 30 days before the survey, among the students who had driven a car or other vehicle during the 30 days before the survey)

- **GFPS**: 5.0%
- **Region**: 5.7%
- **ND State**: 5.5%

Percentage of students who texted or e-mailed while driving a car or any other vehicle (on at least one day during the 30 days before the survey, among the students who had driven a car or other vehicle during the 30 days before the survey)

- **GFPS**: 51.9%
- **Region**: 54.1%
- **ND State**: 53.0%

### VIOLENCE

Percentage of students who were in a physical fight on school property (one or more times during the 12 months before the survey)

- **GFPS**: 4.7%
- **Region**: 5.1%
- **ND State**: 7.1%
HIGH SCHOOLS

VIOLENCE

Percentage of students who reported someone they were dating or going out with purposely tried to control them or emotionally hurt them one or more times (such things as being told who they could and could not spend time with, being humiliated in front of others, or being threatened if they did not do what they wanted, during the 12 months before the survey, among students who dated or went out with someone during the 12 months before the survey).

GFPS: 24.5%
Region: 24.3%
ND State: 25.2%

HIGH SCHOOLS

BULLYING

Percentage of students who were bullied on school property (during the 12 months before the survey).

GFPS: 17.8%
Region: 19.9%
ND State: 19.9%

HIGH SCHOOLS

CYBER BULLYING

Percentage of students who were electronically bullied (counting being bullied through texting, Instagram, Facebook, or other social media, ever during the 12 months before the survey).

GFPS: 14.4%
Region: 14.9%
ND State: 19.9%

HIGH SCHOOLS

INJURY TO ONESELF & SUICIDE

Percentage of students who felt sad or hopeless almost every day for 2 or more weeks in a row so that they stopped doing some usual activities ever during the 12 months before the survey.

GFPS: 33.0%
Region: 31.1%
ND State: 30.5%
HIGH SCHOOLS
INJURY TO ONESELF & SUICIDE

Feelings of Sad/Hopelessness by Gender

Female 45%
Male 32%

Feelings of Sad/Hopelessness by Grade

9th Grade 24.40%
10th Grade 32.30%
11th Grade 29.50%
12th Grade 36.30%

HIGH SCHOOLS
INJURY TO ONESELF & SUICIDE

Percentage of students who seriously considered attempting suicide (ever during the 12 months before the survey)

GFPS: 19.7%
Region: 18.6%
ND State: 18.8%

HIGH SCHOOLS
INJURY TO ONESELF & SUICIDE

Percentage of students who made a plan about how they would attempt suicide (during the 12 months before the survey)

GFPS: 14.2%
Region: 14.8%
ND State: 15.3%
HIGH SCHOOLS INJURY TO ONESELF & SUICIDE

Made a Plan by Gender

Female: 18.90%
Male: 9.90%

Made a Plan by Grade

9th Grade: 11.10%
10th Grade: 11.10%
11th Grade: 7.80%
12th Grade: 7.80%

Percentage of students who attempted suicide (one or more times during the 12 months before the survey)
GFPS: 9.5%
Region: 9.8%
ND State: 13.0%

HIGH SCHOOLS TOBACCO

Have ever tried smoking even one or two puffs:
GFPS: 20.4%
Region: 22.7%
ND State: 29.3%

Percentage of students who currently smoked cigarettes
GFPS: 4.3%
Region: 5.6%
ND State: 8.3%
HIGH SCHOOLS ELECTRONIC VAPOR PRODUCTS

Have you ever used an electronic vapor product?
GFPS: 50.4%
Region: 48.8%
ND State: 52.8%

Percentage of students who currently used an electronic vapor product
GFPS: 33.1%
Region: 30.3%
ND State: 33.1%

HIGH SCHOOLS ALCOHOL

Percentage of students who ever drank alcohol (at least one drink of alcohol, on at least one day during their life)
GFPS: 52.8%
Region: 53.6%
ND State: 56.6%

HIGH SCHOOLS ALCOHOL: AGE OF INCEPTION

Percentage of students who had their first drink of alcohol before age 13 (other than a few sips)
GFPS: 11.9%
Region: 12.5%
ND State: 12.9%

HIGH SCHOOLS BINGE DRINKING

Percentage of students who currently were binge drinking (had four or more drinks of alcohol in a row for female students, or five or more drinks of alcohol in a row for male students, within a couple hours, on at least one day during the 30 days before the survey)
GFPS: 13.7%
Region: 13.9%
ND State: 15.6%
**HIGH SCHOOLS ALCOHOL**

Percentage of students who think people greatly risk harming themselves (physically or in other ways) if they have 5+ drinks of alcohol (beer, wine, or liquor) once or twice each weekend.

GFPS: 34.6%
Region: 32.0%
ND State: 29.3%

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**HIGH SCHOOLS MARIJUANA**

Percentage of students who ever used marijuana (one or more times during their life)

GFPS: 24.8%
Region: 22.6%
ND State: 27.2%

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**HIGH SCHOOLS PRESCRIPTION DRUGS**

Percentage of students who have ever took prescription pain medicine without a doctor's prescription or differently than how a doctor told them to use it (counting drugs such as Codeine, Vicodin, Oxycontin, Hydrocodone, and Percocet one or more times during their lifetime)

GFPS: 11.0%
Region: 11.2%
ND State: 14.5%

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**HIGH SCHOOLS SEXUAL BEHAVIOR**

Percentage of students who ever had sexual intercourse

GFPS: 35.6%
Region: 34.1%
ND State: 38.3%
Which of the following are you trying to do about your weight?

- 45.3% Trying to Lose weight
- 34.9% Described themselves as overweight
- 16.8% Trying to Lose Weight by Fasting for 24+hours; diet pills/powders/liquids; vomiting/laxatives

### High Schools Physical Activity

Percentage of students who play video games or computer games or use a computer for something that is not school work for 3 or more hours a day (counting time spent on things such as Xbox, PlayStation and iPad or other tablets, a smart phone, texting YouTube, Instagram, Facebook, or other social media for something that was not school work on an average school day.)

- GFPS: 52.6%
- Region: 51.2%
- ND State: 45.3%

### High Schools Social Capital: Connections with Family

Percentage of students who ate a meal with their family on three or more days (during the 7 days before the survey)

- GFPS: 74.2%
- Region: 73.6%
- ND State: 71.1%

Percentage of students who reported their parents or other adults in their family most of the time or always ask where they are going or with whom they will be with

- GFPS: 81.4%
- Region: 81.1%
- ND State: 78.4%
Percentage of students who most of the time or always feel safe and secure at school.

GFPS: 73.3%
Region: 76.3%
ND State: 72.9%

WHAT IS WORKING?

• GFPS and Community Partnerships: Cooperating, Coordinating and Collaborating
• Students and Parents Engaged in the Conversation
• Best Practices Curriculum in elementary, middle and high schools:
  - Project Northland
  - Character Education
  - Positive Behavioral Intervention & Supports (PBIS)
  - Olweus Bullying Prevention Program (OBPP)
  - Al’s Pals
  - Fourth R
  - Sources of Strength
• Environmental Strategies: Substance Abuse Prevention Coalition (SAPC), Grand Forks Call to Action, Mental Health Matters and the Grand Forks Tobacco Free Coalition
• Celebrate the Positive

WHAT IS NEXT?

• The data will be shared with all Grand Forks MS and HS administrators.
• Each administrator will receive their individual building data to share with staff.
• This year there will be a joint school social worker/school counselor meeting where the data will be shared.

AND
• Data will be shared with community groups:
  - SAPC
  - Grand Forks Call to Action
  - Grand Forks Tobacco Free Coalition
  - Grand Forks Youth Commission

FOR MORE INFORMATION...

The Office of the Assistant Superintendent of Secondary Education
Catherine Glick at 746-3205
Sarah Shimek, Character Education and Prevention Coordinator at 746-3205 ext. 7149
To review the complete GFPS Youth Risk Behavior Survey contact Linda at 746-3205 ext. 7115
To review the complete YRBS regional and state data:
https://www.nd.gov/dpi/SchoolStaff/SafeHealthy/YRBS/
SPECIAL THANKS for her assistance in preparing this presentation:
Maria Privratsky
Master of Public Health Student
UND Public Health Program

QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS?

Thank you for your time and attention!
Sarah Shimek
Character Education & Prevention Coordinator
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MEMORANDUM

TO: Grand Forks School Board
FROM: Dr. Terry Brenner, Superintendent of Schools
SUBJECT: Consent Agenda
DATE: March 9, 2020

Many items of a routine nature can be handled as one item rather than spending additional time on each individual item. Therefore, the Consent Agenda has been developed for the school board’s use in order to speed up the process of conducting its meetings. Items that may be listed on the Consent Agenda include:

- Appointments (excludes administrative appointments)
- Leave Requests (excludes requests for extension)
- Open Enrollment Applications
- Resignations
- Student Placements
- Student Travel Requests

There should be no discussion concerning an individual item on the Consent Agenda. However, during the approval of the school board meeting agenda, any board member may request an item be removed from the Consent Agenda for further discussion. Once the school board meeting agenda has been approved, all items listed on the Consent Agenda are handled as one item.

Items appearing on the Consent Agenda at the time of the publishing of this agenda packet with their requested considerations are:

- Appointments (excludes administrative appointments)
- Open Enrollment Applications
- Resignations

Administrative recommendation is for approval.

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Attachments
MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Terry Brenner, Superintendent
FROM: Tracy Abentroth, Director of Human Resources
RE: Teacher Appointments
DATE: March 9, 2020

Pursuant to North Dakota Century Code 15.1-09-33 the School Board approves the issuance of contracts to school district personnel.

Appointments appearing on this list at the time of the publishing of the agenda packet follow. There may be additional appointments presented for consideration at the meeting.

Administrative recommendation is to approve the appointments effective August 18, 2020.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Terry Brenner, Superintendent  
FROM: Scott Berge, Business Manager  
DATE: March 9, 2020  
SUBJECT: Open Enrollment Applications

Pursuant to North Dakota Century Code and School Board Policy, administrative recommendation is to approve the following open enrollment application(s) for the 2020-21 school year:

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Dr. Terry Brenner, Superintendent
FROM: Tracy Abentroth, Director of Human Resources
RE: Resignations
DATE: March 9, 2020

North Dakota Century Code 15.1-09-33 provides authority for the School Board to act on employment contracts for school district personnel.

Please find attached letters of resignation from the following:

Katelyn Cavalli Special Education Teacher
Amy Geinert School Counselor
Ashley Lackner Grade 4 Teacher
Constance Peck Grade 3 Teacher

Kelly Elementary
Central High School
Discovery Elementary
Winship Elementary

Administrative recommendation is to approve the resignations effective May 29, 2020.

Attachments
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Ms. Katelyn Cavalli  
2249 S 34th St. Apt 10  
Grand Forks, ND 58201  
503-804-5995  
katiecavalli87@gmail.com

Mr. Mike LaMoine  
Principal  
Grand Forks Public Schools  
2400 47th Ave S  
Grand Forks, ND 58201

February 19, 2020

Dear Mr. LaMoine,

Please accept this letter as formal notice of my resignation from my current position as Special Education Strategist. I will be moving to Michigan this summer. My last day will be May 29, 2020, the last contracted day of the school year.

I have genuinely enjoyed working with the staff and students at Kelly Elementary School for the last five years. I will miss the great number of personal connections that I have made here, and it is bittersweet to have to leave. Your support as an administrator has been invaluable and it has been a privilege being a part of your team supporting our students.

Please feel welcome to call my personal number or email if you have any further questions or to stay in touch.

Sincerely,

Katelyn Cavalli
February 26, 2020

Dear Dr. Brenner, Ms. Abentroth, and School Board Members,

I am writing to inform you that I will not be returning to work at Grand Forks Public Schools for the 2020-2021 academic year and am resigning from my position as a school counselor. I have appreciated the year of educational leave you approved for this current school year and have been able to complete more coursework than I had originally planned. However, I still have a practicum experience to complete next fall, along with my dissertation, and will not be able to fulfill all the job duties required of a school counselor while doing so.

I will forever be grateful for the opportunity to work at Grand Forks Public Schools for ten years. The administration, counselors, and staff at Grand Forks Central taught me more than I could have imagined during my time there. I am proud to have been a Knight and work alongside such talented, dedicated, and caring educators day after day. The team of school counselors in the district were (and continue to be) a great source of encouragement and challenged me to develop my skills.

Grand Forks Public Schools truly is “a great place to grow and learn”, and I appreciate the chance I had to grow and learn there. I hope this isn’t the end of my work with the district and hope to be able to partner in different ways in the future.

Sincerely,

Amy Geinert
Dear Ali and Lorren,

Due to my fiance starting schooling to become Physician Assistant in Billings, Montana I will be leaving Discovery Elementary School at the end of the 2019 - 2020 school year. It's with many mixed emotions I am writing this letter of resignation. I am very excited for Ryan and starting my life with him but, leaving this school and the amazing team I work with is heartbreaking. Discovery has helped guide me through many steps in my career, from being a student teacher, then a para and finally teaching 4th. I have grown leaps and bound as a teacher, because of this awesome learning environment. The staff and administrators in this building will be impossible to replace when I go looking for a new job. I am working on my Masters and recently got asked to write about my dream school and I wrote about Discovery. I was the first to ever write about their current school. The technology, curriculum and professionals in this school are amazing. I hope I am giving you enough time to truly hand select my replacement, as the team they will get to work with is superb. Thank you for the experience, it will help blaze a trail to greatness at the next school I work at.

Sincerely,
Ashley Lackner
1607 South 15th Street  
Grand Forks, North Dakota 58201  
February 15, 2020

Grand Forks Public Schools  
2400 47th Avenue South  
Grand Forks, North Dakota 58201

Dear Superintendent Brenner and the Grand Forks Public School Board,

Please accept this letter as notification of my retirement as an educator of the Grand Forks Public Schools. I intend for this formal notice of my resignation to become effective at the end of this current 2019-2020 school year.

I am grateful for the opportunity to have taught in this district for nineteen years. I have appreciated the district’s investment in professional growth and development and in assisting us, as educators, with continuing education requirements.

It is with great satisfaction that my career as an educator flourished, was influenced by so many dedicated and caring colleagues, and has afforded me the opportunity to serve and care for my students. I feel blessed. Thank you.

Sincerely,

[Signature]

Constance G. Peck  
Third grade teacher  
Winship Elementary School
To: Grand Forks School Board
From: Scott Berge, Business Manager
RE: Resolution Providing for Public Sale of up to $955,000 General Obligation Special Assessment Prepayment Bonds, Series 2020A
Date: March 9, 2020

The attached resolution is to provide for the public sale of up to $955,000 of General Obligation Special Assessment Prepayment Bonds. The bonds have an anticipated maturity date of August 1, 2034. Principal and interest on the Bonds are payable from the School Building Fund levy.

As noted in the resolution, the Notice of Bond Sale will be published, and the notice will also be furnished to prospective bidders through PFM Financial Advisors LLC. Consideration of the sale will be on the agenda for the school board meeting scheduled for March 23, 2020.

Included with the memorandum are the following:
1. Initial Resolution for General Obligation Special Assessment Prepayment Bonds, Series 2020A
2. Resolution Providing for Participation in School Bond Credit Enhancement Program
3. Resolution Providing for Public Sale of up to $955,000 General Obligation Special Assessment Prepayment Bonds, Series 2020A
4. Notice of Bond Sale

Administrative recommendation is to adopt the Resolutions required for Providing for Public Sale of up to $955,000 General Obligation Special Assessment Prepayment Bonds, Series 2020A.
INITIAL RESOLUTION FOR
GENERAL OBLIGATION SPECIAL ASSESSMENT
PREPAYMENT BONDS, SERIES 2020A

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Grand Forks Public School District No. 1 of Grand Forks County, North Dakota (the "School District"), that it is necessary and expedient for the School District to issue its general obligation special assessment prepayment bonds as hereafter described:

1. The maximum amount of bonds proposed to be issued is $955,000.

2. The purpose for which the bonds are proposed to be issued is to provide funds, together with any other funds available, to prepay outstanding special assessments made in accordance with the provisions of Title 40 of the North Dakota Century Code ("N.D.C.C.") against property owned by the School District.

3. The assessed valuation of all taxable property in the School District as defined in N.D.C.C. § 21-03-01, is $2,610,271,851 as last finally equalized for the year 2019.

4. The total amount of bonded indebtedness of the School District, all issued for school building purposes, is $25,316,154.

5. The amount of outstanding bonds of the School District issued for a purpose similar to the proposed bond issue mentioned in this Resolution is $ -0- .


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President of the School Board

ATTEST:

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Business Manager

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly made by Member ________________, seconded by Member ________________, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor: __________________________________; the following voted against the same: __________________________________; and the following were absent: __________________________________; whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted and was signed by the President and attested by the Business Manager.
RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR PARTICIPATION
IN SCHOOL BOND CREDIT ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Section 6-09.4-23 of the North Dakota Century Code ("N.D.C.C.") establishes a credit enhancement program for school district bonds (the "Credit Enhancement Program") whereby a school district may elect to participate in the Credit Enhancement Program and thereby reduce its borrowing costs by reducing the interest rate payable on its bonds; and

WHEREAS, Grand Forks Public School District No. 1, Grand Forks County, North Dakota (the "School District") deems it in the best interest of the School District to issue $955,000 General Obligation Special Assessment Prepayment Bonds, Series 2020A (the "Bonds") to prepay outstanding special assessments made in accordance with the provisions of Title 40, N.D.C.C., against property owned by the School District; and the School Board intends to sell the Bonds on or about March 23, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the School Board finds it is in the best interest of the School District to elect to participate in the Credit Enhancement Program for the Bonds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of the School District, as follows:

1. The School District hereby elects to participate in the Credit Enhancement Program. In the event the School District is unable to make a full payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds when due or payable, the School District hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Public Instruction to withhold state funds due or payable or appropriated to the School District under Chapter 15.1-27, N.D.C.C., for use as provided for in Section 6-09.4-23, N.D.C.C.

2. The School District hereby covenants that, in the resolution authorizing the issuance of and establishing the terms for the Bonds, it will: (i) appoint an independent Paying Agent for the Bonds; (ii) designate February 1 and August 1 as interest payment dates and August 1 as the principal payment date for the Bonds; and (iii) include an additional bonds test which provides that the state funds available to the School District under Chapter 15.1-27, N.D.C.C., shall be at least twice the maximum annual debt service amount for all outstanding bonds and any subsequent bonds issued by the School District under the Credit Enhancement Program.

3. The School District hereby covenants that it will, no later than October 1 each year the Bonds are outstanding, file the following with the Superintendent of Public Instruction as required by Section 15.1-27.02, N.D.C.C.: (i) the June 30th student membership and attendance report; (ii) the annual School District financial report; (iii) the September 10th fall enrollment report; and (iv) the personnel report forms for licensed and non-licensed employees.

4. The School District hereby covenants that it will, on or before December 15 each year the Bonds are outstanding, file with the Superintendent of Public Instruction the taxable valuation and mill levy certifications required by Section 15.1-27.02, N.D.C.C., and that it will
timely file with the Superintendent of Public Instruction any additional report or other document that may be required by law to be filed before state aid payments may be forwarded to the School District.

5. The School District hereby covenants that it will deposit with the Paying Agent five days prior to the date on which any payment is due on the Bonds, an amount sufficient to make that payment. The School District further covenants that, if it should appear the School District will not be able to deposit with the Paying Agent sufficient funds to make any Bond payment, it will notify the Department of Public Instruction and Paying Agent not less than 15 days prior to any such potential default in the deposit in the manner required by the Department of Public Instruction. The agreement between the School District and the Paying Agent shall provide that, in the event the School District fails to deposit sufficient funds with the Paying Agent five days prior to any payment date, the Paying Agent shall notify the Department of Public Instruction of such default and request payment of state funds in the amount necessary to make such payment.

6. The School District further covenants that, so long as the Bonds are outstanding, this election to participate in the Credit Enhancement Program shall be irrevocable by the School District.

7. The Business Manager is hereby directed to notify the Superintendent of Public Instruction, in the manner required by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, that the School District has obligated itself to be bound by the provisions of Section 6-09.4-23, N.D.C.C.


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President of the School Board

ATTEST:

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Business Manager

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly made by Member __________, seconded by Member __________, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor: ________________________________; the following voted against the same: ________________________________; and the following were absent: ________________________________; whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted and was signed by the President and attested by the Business Manager.
RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR PUBLIC SALE OF UP TO $955,000 GENERAL OBLIGATION SPECIAL ASSESSMENT PREPAYMENT BONDS, SERIES 2020A

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of Grand Forks Public School District No. 1 of Grand Forks County, North Dakota (the “School District”), as follows:

1. Pursuant to an Initial Resolution adopted by the School Board of the School District on March 9, 2020, the School District shall proceed to offer at public sale upon sealed bids up to $955,000 General Obligation Special Assessment Prepayment Bonds, Series 2020A of the School District to be dated April 7, 2020 (the “Bonds”). Bids will be received in the offices of PFM Financial Advisors LLC, Minneapolis, Minnesota, until 11:30 A.M., CT, on Monday, March 23, 2020, and the School Board shall meet at 6:00 P.M. thereafter on that day to consider the bids and take such action respecting the Bonds as shall then be deemed necessary and expeditious.

2. The Business Manager is directed to cause the Notice of the Sale of the Bonds to be furnished to prospective bidders, and to be published in the official newspaper of the School District not less than 10 days nor more than 30 days before the sale.

3. The form of such notice shall be substantially as attached.

4. The terms and conditions of the Bonds and the sale thereof are fully set forth in the “Official Terms of Sale,” and are hereby approved as the terms and conditions for the sale of the Bonds and are incorporated herein by reference. The Official Statement to be prepared by PFM Financial Advisors LLC, Minneapolis, Minnesota, is hereby approved, and the distribution thereof to prospective purchasers is hereby approved.


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President of the School Board

ATTEST:

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Business Manager

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly made by Member ____________________________, seconded by Member ____________________________, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor: ____________________________;

the following voted against the same: ____________________________;

and the following were absent: ____________________________;

whereupon said resolution was declared duly passed and adopted and was signed by the President and attested by the Business Manager.
NOTICE OF BOND SALE

$955,000*
GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1
GRAND FORKS COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA
GENERAL OBLIGATION SPECIAL ASSESSMENT
PREPAYMENT BONDS, SERIES 2020A

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Grand Forks Public School District No. 6, Grand Forks County, North Dakota, will receive sealed bids in the offices of PFM Financial Advisors LLC, Minneapolis, Minnesota, until 11:30 A.M., CT, on Monday, March 23, 2020, for the purchase of the above Bonds. The School Board will meet thereafter on the date of the bid opening at 6:00 P.M. to consider the bids. The Bonds will be dated April 7, 2020, mature on August 1 in the years and in the amounts which follow, and will pay interest on each February 1 and August 1, commencing February 1, 2021:

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Bids for the Bonds may contain a maturity schedule providing for any combination of serial bonds and term bonds, subject to mandatory redemption, so long as the amount of principal maturing or subject to mandatory redemption in each year conforms to the maturity schedule set forth above.

The Bonds maturing in the years 2029 and thereafter are subject to redemption on August 1, 2028, and any date thereafter at a price of par plus accrued interest. The Bonds will be general obligations of the School District for which the School District will pledge its full faith and credit and unlimited taxing power.

The School District is participating in the North Dakota Credit Enhancement Program for the Bonds.

Sealed bids of not less than $945,450 (99.0% of Par) must be received prior to the time specified above for opening bids. A Good Faith Deposit in the form of a Cashier’s Check or wire transfer in the amount of $10,000 (1% of Par) payable to the order of the School District is required for each bid to be considered.

Proceeds from the Bonds, together with other funds, will be used to prepay outstanding special assessments made in accordance with the provisions of Title 40, N.D.C.C., against School
District property. An opinion as to the tax-exempt nature of the interest on the Bonds will be provided by Arntson Stewart Wegner PC, Attorneys at Law, Fargo, North Dakota.

The School District reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in any bid and to adjourn the sale. No bid may be altered or withdrawn after the time specified for opening.

Additional information for bidders may be requested from and bidding forms will be distributed by PFM Financial Advisors LLC, 50 South Sixth Street, Suite 2250, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402.

GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOL
DISTRICT NO. 1

/s/ Scott Berge
Business Manager

*Subject to change.
To: Grand Forks School Board  
From: Scott Berge, Business Manager  
RE: Resolution Providing for Public Sale of $2,735,000 Taxable Limited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2020B  
Date: March 9, 2020

The attached resolution is to provide for the public sale of $2,735,000 of Taxable Limited Tax Refunding Bonds. The bonds have an anticipated maturity date of August 1, 2033. Principal and interest on the Bonds are payable from the School Building Fund levy.

As noted in the resolution, the Notice of Bond Sale will be published, and the notice will also be furnished to prospective bidders through PFM Financial Advisors LLC. Consideration of the sale will be on the agenda for the school board meeting scheduled for March 23, 2020.

Included with the memorandum are the following:

1. Resolution Providing for Participation in School Bond Credit Enhancement Program
2. Resolution Providing for Public Sale of $2,735,000 Taxable Limited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2020B
3. Notice of Bond Sale

Administrative recommendation is to adopt the Resolutions required for Providing for Public Sale of $2,735,000 Taxable Limited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2020B.
RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR PARTICIPATION IN SCHOOL BOND CREDIT ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM

WHEREAS, Section 6-09.4-23 of the North Dakota Century Code ("N.D.C.C.") establishes a credit enhancement program for school district bonds (the "Credit Enhancement Program") whereby a school district may elect to participate in the Credit Enhancement Program and thereby reduce its borrowing costs by reducing the interest rate payable on its bonds; and

WHEREAS, Grand Forks Public School District No. 1, Grand Forks County, North Dakota (the "School District") deems it in the best interest of the School District to issue $2,735,000 Taxable Limited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2020B (the "Bonds") to advance refund the School District's outstanding $4,000,000 Limited Tax Bonds, Series 2013A, and the School Board intends to sell the Bonds on or about March 23, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the School Board finds it is in the best interest of the School District to elect to participate in the Credit Enhancement Program for the Bonds;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board of the School District, as follows:

1. The School District hereby elects to participate in the Credit Enhancement Program. In the event the School District is unable to make a full payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds when due or payable, the School District hereby authorizes the Superintendent of Public Instruction to withhold state funds due or payable or appropriated to the School District under Chapter 15.1-27, N.D.C.C., for use as provided for in Section 6-09.4-23, N.D.C.C.

2. The School District hereby covenants that, in the resolution authorizing the issuance of and establishing the terms for the Bonds, it will: (i) appoint an independent Paying Agent for the Bonds; (ii) designate February 1 and August 1 as interest payment dates and August 1 as the principal payment date for the Bonds; and (iii) include an additional bonds test which provides that the state funds available to the School District under Chapter 15.1-27, N.D.C.C., shall be least two times the maximum annual debt service amount for all outstanding bonds and any subsequent bonds issued by the School District under the Credit Enhancement Program.

3. The School District hereby covenants that it will, no later than October 1 each year the Bonds are outstanding, file the following with the Superintendent of Public Instruction as required by Section 15.1-27.02, N.D.C.C.: (i) the June 30th student membership and attendance report; (ii) the annual School District financial report; (iii) the September 10th fall enrollment report; and (iv) the personnel report forms for licensed and non-licensed employees.

4. The School District hereby covenants that it will, on or before December 15 each year the Bonds are outstanding, file with the Superintendent of Public Instruction the taxable valuation and mill levy certifications required by Section 15.1-27-02, N.D.C.C., and that it will timely file with the Superintendent of Public Instruction any additional report or other document
that may be required by law to be filed before state aid payments may be forwarded to the School District.

5. The School District hereby covenants that it will deposit with the Paying Agent five days prior to the date on which any payment is due on the Bonds, an amount sufficient to make that payment. The School District further covenants that, if it should appear the School District will not be able to deposit with the Paying Agent sufficient funds to make any Bond payment, it will notify the Department of Public Instruction and Paying Agent not less than 15 days prior to any such potential default in the deposit in the manner required by the Department of Public Instruction. The agreement between the School District and the Paying Agent shall provide that, in the event the School District fails to deposit sufficient funds with the Paying Agent five days prior to any payment date, the Paying Agent shall notify the Department of Public Instruction of such default and request payment of state funds in the amount necessary to make such payment.

6. The School District further covenants that, so long as the Bonds are outstanding, this election to participate in the Credit Enhancement Program shall be irrevocable by the School District.

7. The Business Manager is hereby directed to notify the Superintendent of Public Instruction, in the manner required by the Superintendent of Public Instruction, that the School District has obligated itself to be bound by the provisions of Section 6-09.4-23, N.D.C.C.


__________________________________________
President of the School Board

ATTEST:

__________________________________________
Business Manager

The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly made by Member ________________, seconded by Member ________________, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor: ________________; the following voted against the same: ________________; and the following were absent: ________________; whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted and was signed by the President and attested by the Business Manager.
RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR PUBLIC SALE OF
$2,735,000 TAXABLE LIMITED TAX REFUNDING BONDS, SERIES 2020B

BE IT RESOLVED by the School Board (the “Board”) of Grand Forks Public School District No. 1 of Grand Forks County, North Dakota (the “School District”), as follows:

1. The School District previously issued its Limited Tax Bonds, Series 2013A (the “Series 2013A Bonds”) for school building purposes and now the Board finds it is in the best interest of the School District to refund the outstanding maturities of the Series 2013A Bonds. To provide funds to refund the outstanding maturities of the Series 2013A Bonds and pay the costs of issuance, the School District shall proceed to offer at public sale upon sealed bids its $2,735,000 Taxable Limited Tax Refunding Bonds, Series 2020B (the “Bonds”) of the School District. Bids will be received in the office of PFM Financial Advisors LLC, Minneapolis, Minnesota, on Monday, March 23, 2020, until 11:30 A.M., CT, and the Board shall meet thereafter at 6:00 P.M. on that day to consider the bids and take such action respecting the Bonds as shall then be deemed necessary and expeditious.

2. The Business Manager is directed to cause the Notice of Bond Sale to be furnished to prospective bidders, and to be published in the official newspaper of the School District not less than 10 days nor more than 30 days before the sale.

3. The form of such notice shall be substantially as attached.

4. The terms and conditions of the Bonds and the sale thereof are fully set forth in the “Official Notice of Sale” and are hereby approved as the terms and conditions for the sale of the Bonds and are incorporated herein by reference. The Official Statement to be prepared by PFM Financial Advisors LLC, Minneapolis, Minnesota, is hereby approved, and the distribution thereof to prospective purchasers is hereby approved.


__________________________
President of the School Board

ATTEST:

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Business Manager
The motion for the adoption of the foregoing resolution was duly made by Member ________________, seconded by Member ________________, and upon vote being taken thereon, the following voted in favor: ________________________________; the following voted against the same: ________________________________; and the following were absent: ________________________________; whereupon the resolution was declared duly passed and adopted and was signed by the President and attested by the Business Manager.
NOTICE OF BOND SALE

$2,735,000*
TAXABLE LIMITED TAX REFUNDING BONDS
SERIES 2020B
GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT NO. 1
GRAND FORKS COUNTY, NORTH DAKOTA

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above District will receive sealed bids at the office of PFM Financial Advisors LLC, its Municipal Advisor, on March 23, 2020, until 11:30 A.M., Central Time, for the purchase of the above Bonds. The School Board will meet thereafter at 6:00 P.M. on the date of the bid opening to consider the bids. The Bonds will be dated April 7, 2020, mature on August 1 in the years and in the amounts which follow, and will pay interest on each February 1 and August 1, commencing August 1, 2020:

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Bids for the Bonds may contain a maturity schedule providing for any combination of serial bonds and term bonds, subject to mandatory redemption, so long as the amount of principal maturing or subject to mandatory redemption in each year conforms to the maturity schedule set forth above.

The Bonds maturing on August 1, 2029, and thereafter are subject to redemption prior to their stated maturities on August 1, 2028, and any date thereafter. The Bonds are limited obligations of the School District for which the School District will pledge so much of its School Building Fund Levy as necessary for the payment of the principal of and interest on the Bonds.

Interest payments on the Bonds will not be tax-exempt. The School District is participating in the North Dakota Credit Enhancement Program for the Bonds.

Proceeds from these Bonds, together with other funds, will be used to provide funds to advance refund the outstanding maturities of the District’s Limited Tax Bonds, Series 2013A, and pay costs of issuance. An opinion as to the validity of the Bonds will be provided by Arntson Stewart Wegner PC, Attorneys at Law, Fargo, North Dakota.

The Bonds are payable as to principal and interest at U.S. Bank National Association, St. Paul, Minnesota, as Bond Registrar, Paying Agent and Transfer Agent. The District will pay the customary charges for the service.
Bids will be received on an interest-rate basis in integral multiples of 1/20 or 1/8 of 1% in ascending order. All Bonds of the same maturity shall bear interest at the same rate, and no bid for less than $2,707,650 (99.0% of Par) will be considered. Award of the Bonds will be made to the bid which results in the lowest true interest cost to the District.

Each bid must be unconditional and a Good Faith Deposit in the form of a cashier’s check or wire transfer in the amount of $27,500 (1.0%) payable to the order of the District is required for each bid to be considered.

The District reserves the right to adjust the total issue size of the Bonds. The District reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality in any bid and to adjourn the sale. No bid may be altered or withdrawn after the time specified for opening.

Additional information for bidders may be requested from and bidding forms will be distributed by PFM Financial Advisors LLC, 50 South Sixth Street, Suite 2250, Minneapolis, Minnesota 55402, (612) 338-3535.


GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOL
DISTRICT NO. 1
/s/ Scott Berge
Business Manager

*Subject to change.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Grand Forks School Board Members
FROM: Bill Palmiscno, President
SUBJECT: March 9, 2020
DATE: Facilities Core Planning Team Appointments

I would like to appoint Board members Amber Flynn and Doug Carpenter to serve on the Facilities Core Planning Team, a team that will provide information to the Facilities Taskforce prior to each of the twelve meetings scheduled between March 12 and September 24. The Facilities Core Planning Team will meet at 10:00 am on the same Thursday that the Facilities Taskforce meets to plan two weeks in advance of the next Facilities Taskforce meeting and will be guided by SitelogIQ representatives. Moreover, the Facilities Core Planning Team will have a Monday Zoom meeting at 11:00 am following the Thursday evening Facilities Taskforce meetings. Please see the attached schedule of meetings.

Other members of the Facilities Core Planning Team are:
Dr. Terry Brenner, Superintendent
Jody Thompson, Associate Superintendent
Catherine Gillach, Assistant Superintendent
Scott Berge, Business Manager
Chris Arnold, Buildings & Grounds Director
Amy Bartsch, Chief Academic Officer
Tracy Jentz, Coordinator of Communications and Community Engagement
Kelli Tannahill, Principal, Lewis & Clark Elementary
Dr. Joel Schleicher, Principal, South Middle School
Jon Strandell, Principal, Central High School

I would ask for a motion to appoint Amber Flynn and Doug Carpenter to the Facilities Core Planning Team.

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A meeting of the Grand Forks School Board Superintendent Evaluation Committee was held on Tuesday, February 25, 2020, at the Mark Sanford Education Center with Bill Palmiscno presiding.

**Committee Members Present:**
Jeff Manley, Voting Board Member  
Bill Palmiscno, Voting Board Member  
Dr. Terry Brenner, Superintendent of Schools, Non-voting Member  
Michelle Shepperd, GFAFB School Board Liaison, Non-voting Member

**Committee Members Absent:**
Jacqueline Hoffarth, Voting Board Member  
Cynthia Shabb, Voting Board Member

**Others Present:**
Cindy Johnson, Executive Secretary

Because a quorum of voting members was not present, no formal action could be taken at this meeting.

**Call to Order.** The meeting was called to order at 5:05 p.m.

**Approval of Minutes.** No action was taken.

**Conduct Evaluation of the Superintendent’s Performance as per NDCC 15.1-14-03(1.b).** Committee members reviewed input that was provided by 8 of 14 board members regarding the following six domains: Board Relations, Goal and Vision Setting, Curriculum and Student Support Services, Human Resource Management, Community Relations, and Operations and Resource Management. All areas were rated satisfactory. It was the consensus of the committee to draft the final evaluation document with a satisfactory rating in all domains and forward it to the school board with a recommendation for approval.

**Superintendent’s Contract Extension.** Dr. Brenner explained that when he was hired, he signed a three-year contract with his salary frozen for those three years. He requested his contract be extended for one year; thus making his contract a three-year rolling contract. He requested his salary remain frozen through the 2020-2021 fiscal year and thereafter subject to negotiation. A draft of the new contract with suggested changes marked was reviewed.

It was the consensus of the committee to forward a new three-year contract for Dr. Brenner effective July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2023, to the Board with a recommendation for approval.

**Adjournment.** There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:41 p.m.

APPROVED ________________________  
(Date)

___________________________________________________  
Bill Palmiscno, Committee Chair
Superintendent’s March Evaluation  
March 9, 2020

The Superintendent’s Evaluation Committee met on February 25, 2020. Committee members in attendance were Bill Palmiscno, Jeff Manley, Michelle Shepperd, and Dr. Terry Brenner. Jacqueline Hoffarth and Cynthia Shabb were absent. Agenda topics included developing a draft evaluation of the superintendent’s performance as per North Dakota Century Code 15.1-14.03(1.a.) and the superintendent’s contract extension.

The six domains and their respective expectations and suggested evidence are as follows:

1. Board Relations
   - Expectations: Superintendent carries out roles and responsibilities as assigned by the board and takes steps to assist the board with understanding and executing its role. Superintendent has the board’s confidence.
   - Suggested evidence: Board agendas, board minutes, board meeting packets, superintendent’s written correspondence with the board, and superintendent’s weekly email update to board.

2. Goal and Vision Setting
   - Expectations: Superintendent assists the board with data-informed goal development and takes actions necessary to accomplish these goals. District data include student assessment results, student achievement indicators (e.g., remediation, attendance, graduation, and college placement rates), demographic data, economic reports, staff satisfaction surveys, aggregated results from staff evaluations, and facility/equipment reports.
   - Suggested evidence: Strategic plan, board minutes, board meeting packets, district newsletters, the district’s website, and news stories/articles.

3. Curriculum and Student Support Services
   - Expectations: Superintendent oversees the development, review, and implementation of academic and support programming that fosters the growth and success of all district students.
   - Suggested evidence: Board meeting minutes, curriculum committee meeting minutes, curriculum presentations made at board meetings, policies on student services and programs, compiled test scores, staff newsletters, and news articles on student assessments.

   - Expectations: Superintendent oversees qualified, high-quality district staff and maintains positive and professional working relationships with them.
   - Suggested evidence: Employee job descriptions, personnel policies, board meeting minutes, list of staff training/professional development opportunities, staff evaluation forms, de-identified reports on plans of improvement, staff orientation, checklists, negotiated agreement, staff newsletters, reports on trends from personnel evaluations (aggregated and de-identified), and staff meeting minutes.
5. Community Relations
   • Expectations: Superintendent is engaged in the community and takes steps necessary to ensure the community is engaged in district schools.
   • Suggested evidence: Superintendent reports to the board in board minutes; board agendas; media coverage of district school(s); and district newsletters, website, and social media pages.

   • Expectations: Superintendent efficiently and prudently oversees school district finances and facilities, equipment, and supplies; operational decisions are aligned with the district’s goals and strategic plan.
   • Suggested evidence: Superintendent’s budget narrative (submitted to board with proposed budget spreadsheet); budget calendar; monthly board reports on the status of the budget, special reserve fund, and returns on investments; board meeting minutes; district policies governing purchasing and school finance; finance committee meeting minutes; district insurance policies; and deferred maintenance and transportation replacement plans.

Superintendent performs his job functions in an effective manner and as a result a satisfactory rating in all of the aforementioned domains was achieved. The Superintendent’s Evaluation Committee and Grand Forks School Board find the superintendent’s performance to be SATISFACTORY in all areas.

Approved by the Grand Forks School Board on ____________________________.

Bill Palmiscno, President
Grand Forks School Board
Grand Forks PSD #1

Lewis Isassi, President
Grand Forks AFB School Board
Grand Forks AFB PSD #140

Dr. Terry Brenner
Superintendent of Schools

______________  ______________  ______________
Date               Date               Date
AGREEMENT made and entered into this 11th day of March 2019 9th day of March, 2020, by and between the School Board of Grand Forks Public School District #1 (hereinafter School Board) and Dr. Terry Brenner.

TERM: Three(3) years starting July 1, 2019 2020 and ending June 30, 2022 2023.

JOB DESCRIPTION: To faithfully perform the services prescribed by the School Board or its designated representative(s) during the life of this contract. The above name Administrator shall also be required to meet or exceed, during the life of this contract, the following requirement: SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS job description as outlined in School Board Policy #2111.

SALARY: $195,000 per year for the fiscal years July 1, 2019 2020 through June 30, 2020 2021 and July 1, 2020 through June 30, 2021, and thereafter subject to negotiation. Salary shall be payable in 12 equal installments on the 15th of each month beginning July 15, 2019 2020.

WORK YEAR: 52 Weeks (260 days)

RETIREMENT: The District will contribute 12.75% of individual’s salary to North Dakota Teacher’s Fund for Retirement (TFFR). Also, an additional 11.75% of the individual’s salary will be contributed through salary deduction to TFFR.

BENEFITS:

Health Insurance: The District will provide the same contribution level and policy as provided to the teaching staff (78% of annual premiums).

Life Insurance: The District will purchase $50,000 of term life insurance. The employee may purchase, at his own expense, an additional $50,000.

Long Term Disability Insurance: The District provides long-term disability coverage that provides a benefit of 66 2/3 of the employee’s salary if disabled for more than 90 days. From and after the expiration of nine (9) months from the date on which the income protection plan begins to provide compensation to an individual or upon the expiration of the current contract year, whichever is later, all other fringe benefits provided by the District shall terminate.

Sick Leave: 65 days. Sick leave accumulation not to exceed 65 days will be restored annually at the start of each fiscal year.

Vacation: Twenty-five (25) days per year. Up to five (5) days unused vacation may be carried over into the next fiscal year. Accrued unused vacation will be paid upon termination.

Paid Holidays: The following days are paid days off: July 4, Labor Day, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving day and the Friday after, December 24, Christmas day, January 1, January 2 (if not a regular school day), Martin Luther King, Jr. Day (if not a District-wide assigned workday), Good Friday, Easter Monday (if not a regular school day), Memorial Day (if not a regular school day).

Family Illness: In case of serious illness of a member of the individual’s immediate family, six (6) days leave of absence with full pay may be granted per school year. The immediate family shall be defined
as including husband or wife, parents of both, children, sisters, or brothers. “Serious illness” shall be defined to include only those illnesses that require either hospitalization or a direct consultation between the ill person and a medical doctor. This illness provision may include a father’s leave for the birth of a child. The District, or its designee, may request a doctor’s certificate of proof of serious illness or a statement from another person acceptable to the District. This certification shall be filed by the individual after the leave has been taken and shall be submitted to the Human Resources Office.

**Bereavement:** Bereavement leave, up to but not exceeding five (5) days, may be granted. Bereavement Leave may be used only in the event of death in the immediate family. The immediate family shall be defined to include husband or wife, parents of both, children, grandparents of both, grandchildren, sisters, brothers, sisters-in-law, brothers-in-law, uncles, nieces or nephews. In the event of the death of other relatives or close friends, up to one (1) day per year bereavement year will be granted.

**Mileage:** In and out-of-district mileage paid as permitted by state law.

**Professional Dues:** The District will contribute to dues for professional organizations, up to a maximum of $1,500.

**State/National Conventions:** Superintendent shall, at his discretion, participate in appropriate meetings and conferences at local and state levels and may attend at least one national convention/conference each year. The meeting expenses of the Superintendent shall be paid by the District. Additional national conventions and conferences will be upon School Board approval.

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GRAND FORKS PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT #1

Dr. Terry Brenner, Superintendent

Bill Palmiscno, School Board President

Date

Date