

Superintendent Report: July Board Meeting
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Administrative Updates

We are pleased to report that, pending final confirmation, we are in the process of filling our last open staffing position for the upcoming school year. With summer school now concluded and schedules set for the 2025–2026 academic year, much of this month has been dedicated to **reflection, planning, and rejuvenation**.

Preparations are nearly complete for our upcoming professional development sessions, scheduled for **August 14 and August 18**, as well as **Registration Day on August 12**. We are excited to welcome students back into the building—it will be fantastic to see the energy of the new school year begin.

The **administrative team will hold a retreat on August 8**. Details for this day are still being finalized.

We are also pleased to report that **negotiations with the Dansville Educational Support Personnel Association (DESPA)** have been successful. The association has ratified the proposed contract changes.

Budget Development

We are currently in the midst of **audit season**. As a reminder, we closed the fiscal year without needing to borrow from the State Treasury for September cash flow, which is a positive financial outcome.

Included in this month's board packet, you will find information regarding the **School Loan Revolving Fund (SLRF)**. This is unrelated to operating cash flow; rather, it pertains to our **2016 bond management process**. As required by law, we are asking the board to approve a **resolution authorizing the annual renewal of our SLRF application**, which is necessary as long as we are levying 7 mills or more. This is a standard, annual procedure.

Facilities

GMB and Christman are finalizing their work on the district's **facilities study**. They will present their findings and recommendations to the board at the **August board meeting**.

In addition, **Rick Miller and I have been working closely to identify and address the root causes of excess moisture in our buildings.** This has involved collaboration with multiple partners:

- **CleanTeam** – Reviewing cleaning methods and practices
- **Matrix Consulting** – Evaluating HVAC system design
- **Trane** – Inspecting the mechanical operation of HVAC units
- **Summit** – Assessing the software functionality of our Building Management System (BMS)

These efforts are ongoing, and we will continue to update the board as solutions are implemented.

This month, **The Benjamins will be sealing and repairing the high school and elementary fenced-in parking lots.** We have allowed scheduling flexibility to accommodate their farming obligations.

Upcoming Dates

August 12 Registration Day

August 14 Elementary Back-to-School Bash

August 14 First Day for Teachers

August 18 First Day for Students

Special Invitation to Board Members:

*We invite all board members to attend the **Welcome Back Breakfast at 8:00 AM on August 14** in the **Ebert Commons**. We would be delighted to have you join us in welcoming staff back for the new school year.*