



To: Executive Committee

From: Tim Benz

Re: President's Report – June 2022

### **Staffing**

Business manager Debbie Kaliszewski retired on April 29. We entered into a contract with All In One Accounting (AIOA) to manage the accounting/finance operations. The team consists of an accountant, controller and CFO. Based on their projections and proposal, there should be a noticeable savings to the expense line. Onboarding has taken some additional effort to ensure that all accounts are decoupled from Debbie's logins and setting up new access for AIOA. Additional (in office) duties handled by Debbie are being reassigned across the remaining staff.

### **CRM upgrade**

We are upgrading the Raiser's Edge/Blackbaud CRM to cloud the based version, Raiser's Edge NXT. A capital grant from Hardenbergh Foundation provided the funds for this necessary upgrade. The current version was on a physical server and updates were no longer being provided. Our IT provider was concerned about potential security concerns due to age of server. The migration process is underway and expected conversion date is prior to June 30.

### **Finance**

Projections for the end of year still remain stable. We are still awaiting the annual gift from our largest individual donor. There has been a significant delay due to IRS confirmation of our name change from our 990 filed in December.

### **Federal funds**

EANS I and EANS II are still in process and being implemented by eligible schools. We have received assurance that EANS II (ARP-EANS) will be redeployed to benefit nonpublic schools. Designing the calculation and focus areas are still in process but expect some resolution within the first two weeks of June.

### **Legislative update**

The legislature ended with very little agreement on major spending areas – Education, Health and Human Services, Public Safety and Bonding. The State of Minnesota has a projected \$9.3 billion surplus. Big picture issues that were resolved included funding the Unemployment Insurance Trust Fund and Front-Line Worker bonus pay. We confirmed with Dept. of Labor that nonpublic school staff are an eligible



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worker category. Workers in the identified areas could receive up to \$750 bonus pay, if they meet the specific requirements in the legislation.

Please let me know if you have any questions or would like additional information on this, or any other reports.