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Informational Memo - Staffing and Student Enrollment Update

TO: School Board

Superintendent Kocanda

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Per the Strategic Plan, Student Enrollment and Staffing Data are reported to the Board on a regular basis throughout the school year. In September 2019, Cropper GIS, a demographer engaged by the District, conducted an updated enrollment projection. This was done at the request of the Board in final preparation for redistricting to be enacted in the Fall of 2020. Previous projections completed by Cropper GIS in 2016 indicated a decline in enrollment through the 2020/2021 school year, such that an imbalance in enrollments would persist, and grade level sizes would decline. The September 2019 projection newly incorporated the previously unpredicted increase in home sales in Winnetka, such that enrollment appears to maintain a stagnant level with a predicted steady decline beginning in the 2024/2025 school year. This change in projections did not do anything to change the continued predicted imbalance across the elementary schools, supporting the continued need to follow through with redistricting.

Since staffing and enrollment was last reported in March 2020, The Winnetka Public Schools closed due to guidance from the state in response to a global COVID-19 pandemic. All five schools remained closed from March 13, 2020 through the end of the school year on June 10, 2020. Students and Teachers engaged in remote learning, and all District operations (with the exception of custodial and maintenance efforts) were conducted remotely. Based on school and District Office closure, it is likely that registration is slowed. We will continue to monitor registration closely and update the Board as enrollment evolves over the summer.

Changes in staffing and enrollment from March 2020 to June 2020

Student Enrollment

| <i>Location</i> | <i>August 2019</i> | <i>June 2020</i> |
|-----------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| District (K-8) | 1635 | 1650 |
| Crow Island | 286 | 290 |
| Greeley | 270 | 270 |
| Hubbard Woods | 316 | 320 |
| Skokie | 386 | 389 |
| Washburne | 377 | 381 |

Staffing

No changes in staffing took place from March 20, 2020 to June 11, 2020.