District 38 "Board Briefs" for the Special Meeting/Retreat of July 21, 2014

The information below summarizes highlights from the District 38 Board of Education Special meeting/Retreat held on Monday, July 21, 2014. As always, the community is welcome and encouraged to attend Board Meetings. The Board posts to the website its Agendas 48 hours in advance of meetings and Board Minutes once approved.

Board Action

- **Consent Agenda** - The Board unanimously approved the Consent Agenda that included Regular Meeting minutes from June 16, 2014, authorization to destroy closed session recordings from February 2013, adoption of Board Policy *4:110 Transportation*, acceptance of employee resignations and approval to hire non-tenured personnel Ms. Shea Barrett, Mr. Tyler Heidtke and Mrs. Cathleen Sheridan.

Board Discussion

- **Review and Development of Strategic Plan for Year 2 –** The Board reviewed and refined the drafts for the target plan areas of: Curriculum, Communication, Culture and Finance/Facilities. After extensive discussion, it was determined that an updated draft of the plan will be a part of the August 18, 2014, Board meeting agenda, followed by adoption of the plan at the Board's September 22, 2014, regular meeting.

- **Review and Discussion Regarding Organizational Structure –** The Board discussed a potential new administrative structure with the pending retirement of Superintendent Dr. Kelley Kalinich at the conclusion of the 2014-2015 school year. This initial discussion explored dividing the Superintendent's duties among current administrative personnel and adding a curriculum director. Draft proposed job descriptions for each position, as well as an updated organizational chart, will be presented to the Board for further review and discussion at the August 18, 2014, Board meeting.

Questions --Please direct your questions or comments to the Kenilworth School District No. 38 **Sounding Board** that was created to provide community members the chance to share comments, questions, compliments and concerns. All messages are sent to the Superintendent and the Board of Education Members. We are listening and you can communicate with us by sending an email to **listen@kenilworth38.org.** We ask that you do not reply directly to this email because such replies cannot be answered.

Thank you!
Tim Kollar, Board of Education President