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School Board Contemplates Delaying Superintendent Search

Current Superintendent Matt Utterback offers to remain through 2020-21

Milwaukie, OR (March 27, 2020)—On March 23, NCSD's school board held a special meeting to discuss the viability of maintaining the search given the logistical and practical implications resulting from Coronavirus-related travel and group meeting prohibitions. As part of its deliberation, the school board consulted with NCSD's contracted search firm, Ray & Associates, along with legal counsel. During this meeting, current Superintendent, Matt Utterback, expressed a willingness to remain on the job through the 2020-21 school year in an effort to provide consistent leadership during this unprecedented time.

"The School Board is grappling with a host of complicated and critical issues resulting from the Coronavirus, and we greatly appreciate all that Superintendent Utterback has done to date, along with his willingness to remaining on the job should we postpone the search," said School Board Chair, Steven Schroedl.

At the April 9 school board meeting (which will be live via Zoom), the board will consider suspending the superintendent search and rescinding Superintendent Utterback's retirement. Public written comments, germane to the topic, can be submitted via email to Sandra Henderson at "hendersons@nclack.k12.or.us" prior to 4:00 PM on April 9 and will be read into the record at the board meeting. Comments should be limited to three minutes.

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