

Two-Way Whole Grade Sharing Proposal for FY 17-18

- Keep the Two-Way Whole Grade Sharing Agreement but make it a 1-year agreement with benchmarks in place to state reorganization election would happen no later than September 2017. If the reorganization election fails, the districts would be separate effective July 2018.
- Finish combined facilities committee/architect work on the Odebolt and High School buildings. The estimates done for the Odebolt building and the High School building in Ida Grove could be used for potential bond issues, even if the districts split effective FY 18-19. The extended year of Whole Grade Sharing would not put the BCIG project on hold for another year.
- OA reimburse BCIG for the cost of one additional shuttle going to OA to transport BCIG students (this would help offset the difference in # of MS students vs. HS students in WGS)
- Change in funding proration.
(Current proration based on certified enrollment October 2016 will be: 67% BCIG/33% OA)
 - Change to 50/50 split would be an additional cost to OA of \$288,340
 - Change to 50/50 split would reduce expenditures for BCIG \$144,073

Memorandum of Understanding:

- This agreement is for a term of one fiscal year beginning on July 1, 2017. If the vote to reorganize fails for the third time in 2017 the whole grade sharing agreement will be terminated effective July 1, 2018
- Each Board must support a vote on reorganization no later than September of 2017
- Support for a new vote on reorganization means; assist in the collection of petition signatures, assist in disseminating accurate information regarding reorganization that must be approved by each board,
- Each Board Member must assist in correcting information regarding reorganization that is not true or is misleading in an effort to better inform the patrons prior to the vote on reorganization,
- Finish the Joint Facilities Committee work on the Odebolt and High School buildings. The estimates done for the Odebolt building and the high school building in Ida Grove could be used for potential bond issues in each district in the event the vote on reorganization fails,
- A Joint Academic Program Task Force will be created to review each program offered by the OA-BCIG districts and consider long range plans for enhanced academic programs for all students,
- Beginning with the 2017-2018 fiscal year all Operational Sharing Incentive Positions will be adjusted to a 50/50 split on all costs

