



**Above:** At the MA/D38 Town Hall Oct. 13, D38 Superintendent KC Somers, Chief Business Officer (CBO) Brett Ridgway, and D38 Board President Chris Taylor presented information about ballot issue 4A, a mill levy override solely and expressly to increase the compensation of teachers and support staff. The MLO would raise about \$5.6 million total of which about \$1 million would go to MA to use for the same purpose. The MA board and community asked questions and made comments about the MLO. The board voted unanimously to propose a joint resolution with D38 on supporting the MLO and defining the terms under which the MLO money would be shared with MA. The D38 board unanimously approved the resolution at a special meeting on Oct. 17. From left are MA board members Craig Carle, Lindsay Clinton, Board President Ryan Graham, and board members Emily Belisle and Michael Geers are seated next to Somers, CBO Brett Ridgway, and Taylor. *Photo by Jackie Burhans.*

### MA (Cont. from 1)

throughout the district, including Monument Academy." A "town hall"-style question-and-answer period followed with attendees and MA board members making comments and/or asking questions that were fielded by the D38 leadership team.

At the conclusion of the town hall, the MA board voted unanimously to propose a joint resolution between MA and D38 on the 2022 MLO stating that:

- 1) MA would receive 100% of its portion of the MLO money based on the proportion of district students they serve, including students who choose to come into the district. **Note:** The law requires D38 to disburse a minimum of 95% of the revenue.

- 2) D38 will agree in advance to MA's plan for use of the money so long as it fully complies with the ballot lan-

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