

Facilities Advisory Committee

Meeting 07 – Minutes

Tuesday, April 20, 2021 – 6:00PM – 8:00PM

Luther Elementary School

FAC Members Present -

Rob Abbott	Nicole Leibman
Dawn Blackwell	Collin Maas
Dan Halvorsen	Robyn Newcomb
Nick Hamele	Alicia Norris
Lisa Hollenberger	Amy Oakley
Ryan Huber	Adam Paul
Kory Knickrehm	Maribel Reu

FAC Members Not Present: Matt Banaszynski, Dave Geiger, Carla Haubenschild, John Kutz, Steve Mahoney, Jordan Nelson, Chris Reed, Cody Rutter, Nicole Schafer, Andy Selle, Jill VanderMause, and Vern Zech.

Resource Team Present - Dan Chovanec (CGS - Project Lead), Sarah Dunn (CGS - Communications Lead), Nick Kent (PRA - Design), Devin Kack (PRA - Design), Jason Demerath (Director of Business Services), D.J. Scullin (Director of Technology), Josh Carter (Director of Buildings and Grounds), Marissa Weidenfeller (Comm. & Community Engagement Specialist).

District Leadership - Leigh Ann Scheuerell.

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Call to Order - Co-Chairs Nicole Leibman and Kory Knickrehm called the meeting to order and welcomed all, Dr. Abbott discussed reconvening the FAC and outlined the [Agenda](#).

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What has Changed

Maintenance - Mr. Demerath discussed what has changed regarding maintenance including the approval of FAHS energy and maintenance projects at the April 15, 2021 board meeting.

Financial - Mr. Demerath discussed what has changed regarding finance including the operational referendum that was passed in April, 2020 and the need to go back for referendum for 2023-2024; COVID relief funds; and debt prepayment approved at April 15, 2021 board meeting.

Education - Nick Kent discussed what has changed in the last year in education in reference to facilities. Dr. Abbott outlined what has changed in educational delivery. Dr. Abbott discussed the development of the new results driven strategic plan for the upcoming school year and the board's recent acceptance of the new guiding principles and beliefs. Dr. Abbott stated they will be creating a new vision and mission statement. Dr. Abbott reviewed the current downward projection regarding enrollment.

What has not Changed

Objective - Devin Kack discussed our objective to provide the school board with viable facility solutions.

Where the FAC left off - February, 2020 - Devin Kack identified the three options remaining based upon the prioritization of needs, district wide maintenance, safety and security, improving learning environments, equitable access across the district, and sustainability. Nick Kent reviewed the three options:

- Option 3 - Current Luther site becomes new 6-8 Middle School, repurpose current MS site, consolidate to 3 elementary schools, \$108-\$112 million, could use phased approach
- Option 7 - Modernize 4 Elementary Schools, New 6-8 MS on MS site, \$115-\$119 million, possible phased approach
- Option 8 - 4K-8 at Luther site and near HS site, consolidate to two 4K-8 buildings, close/sell Barrie, Rockwell, Purdy and MS, \$129-\$133 million, phased approach would be difficult

Homework - Devin Kack requested members evaluate each option and be prepared to discuss both the positives and negatives for each option at the next FAC meeting.

Mr. Demerath said he will be sending out a google form for the committee to share any questions/feedback regarding tonight's meeting.

Next Meeting - The next meeting will be on May 25, 2021, starting at 6:00 p.m.

Adjournment- The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.