



*** MINUTES ***

DEMOGRAPHIC TRENDS AND FACILITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

January 12, 2017
4:30 P.M. – 6:00 P.M.
District Office – Room 123C

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:

Jennifer Fager	Caro Johnson	Joe Luginbill	Carrie Ronnander
David FitzGerald	Wendy Sue Johnson	Philip Lyons	Jason Schlafer
Mark Goings	Ashley Kosharek	Tim Nordin	Janet Seymour
			Ryan Weichelt

RESOURCE MEMBERS RESENT:

Abby Johnson	Larry Sommerfeld	Heidi White
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GUESTS PRESENT:

Lisa Ausman	Carolyn Barstad	Chris Hambuch-Boyle
		Lauren w/Leader Telegram

- .I. Meeting Called to Order**
Meeting was called to order at 4:31 p.m. by Wendy Sue Johnson.

- .II. Approval of Minutes from November 17, 2016**
Joe Luginbill moved to accept the minutes of October 20, 2016 and November 17, 2016. Second by Mark Goings. Carried by unanimous voice of acclamation.

- .III. Identifying School Capacity Ranges**
Abby shared the school capacity calculations based upon the targeted class size for a 2, 3 and 4 section school. At this time, it appears that Flynn, Lakeshore, Manz, Meadowview and Roosevelt have potential space issues. The committee plans to look at projections for 2017-18 enrollment in those buildings and then has asked Abby to talk with the elementary principals to confirm that based upon the numbers calculated that space is an issue in the building. Once Abby has that answer, a location for the next meeting will be determined. The committee feels it is important to look at Robbins or Sherman since they are designated as “overflow” schools to see what it would look like if there were 100 more kids added to those buildings. Abby may ask a couple of those elementary principals to come to that meeting to share also.

- IV. Vote on Recommendation to the Board**
After the Prairie Ridge discussion, the committee decided to move forward with the Roosevelt recommendation vote.

Phil Lyons moved to now reconsider the motion made at the last meeting that was tabled, to present to the School Board Option #2, which is to build a new school on the same Roosevelt site without using the existing building.

Seconded by Caro Johnson. Carried by unanimous voice of acclamation.

The committee voted to move Option # 2 provided by the architects to the full board. Joe added this item to his list of topics to discuss at agenda setting to see when the full board would like a report.

.V. Review Past Recommendations to the Board (Handout)

The committee reviewed previous Demo and Trend recommendations to the board to see if there were still issues to be addressed by the committee or the full board. The 2016 recommendations were based on Roosevelt and the committee recognized that those recommendations are currently being addressed.

The 2015 recommendations included:

1. Equity Committee

The committee is aware that the Equity Committee was appointed on Monday, January 9, 2017, so there was little discussion about this item.

2. Developing a magnet school for STEM at NHS

The committee felt that developing a STEM magnet school and creating a 9/10 and 11/12 building should be better discussed with the LEAP committee. It was discussed that since Tim Leibham sits on both committees, perhaps he could share the work of both committees related to these items.

3. Limiting Open Enrollment to North HS

The limiting open enrollment to North was a board discussion item and Joe would bring that item to agenda setting to see when this could be brought to the full board.

4. Implementing a gradual boundary change

Joe shared that a gradual boundary change would need to be reviewed by the Demo and Trends Committee. Abby agreed that she would work to get a boundary map with current boundaries and she would work with Ryan Weichelt from UWEC to get the population put onto the map. Abby will also talk with Jim Fey to see if he would have any ideas for potential boundary changes that would assist to balance enrollment and keep transportation costs in line.

5. Creating a 9/10 and 11/12 building

(See #2 above.)

.VI. Prairie Ridge/Little Red

Heidi White shared that the Department of Education has approved regulations that say 50% of head start students need to receive 1020 classroom hours by August of 2019 and the remaining 50% of head start students need to receive 1020 hours by August of 2021. This will likely create a space issue at Prairie Ridge. Heidi shared that she would need an additional 4 classrooms to meet this new requirement. This was not part of the operating referendum so any upgrades would need to be budgeted as part of the operating budget in the future. The committee discussed using Little Red and Wendy Sue shared with the committee that we shouldn't even consider looking at Little Red for this program. She shared with the committee the work that had been done to close Little Red and how it was evaluated before the current location was purchased. It was also discussed that perhaps Roosevelt should be a second location to meet the new locations and perhaps the committee should re-consider the Roosevelt recommendation. The Roosevelt recommendation didn't specifically look at relocating Roosevelt students to lower capacity schools and using it for a second early learning space. Larry shared that work would still need to be done at Roosevelt in order to make it compliant for Head Start standards. The committee decided to spend a different meeting on Prairie Ridge to discuss options for the new requirements.

.VII. Agenda for Next Meeting

- Look at elementary school capacities to see if flexible boundaries need to be in place for Flynn, Manz, Meadowview and Lakeshore for 2017-18.
- Prairie Ridge
- Balancing enrollment at the high schools

.VIII. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Next Meeting Date

February 16, 2016

4:30 – 6:00 p.m.

Place: TBD