

#### \*\*\* MINUTES \*\*\*

## DEMOGRAPHIC TRENDS AND FACILITY PLANNING COMMITTEE

August 16, 2016 4:30 P.M. – 6:00 P.M. McKinley Charter School

#### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Jennifer Fager Mark Goings	Caro Johnson Wendy Sue Johnson	Joe Luginbill Philip Lyons	Tim Nordin Ryan Weichelt
COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT:			
David FitzGerald	Ashley Kosharek	Carrie Ronnander	Jason Schlafer Janet Seymour
RESOURCE MEMBERS PRESENT:			
Abby Johnson	Larry Sommerfeld	Heidi White	
GUEST PRESENT: Carolyn Barstad	Chris Hambach-Boyle	Pete Riley	Kathryn Duax

## .I. TOUR

- Everyone gathered in the gymnasium to begin the tour of McKinley School
- McKinley opened in 1996
- The Governance Board is contracted through the Eau Claire School Board
- It is a Public Charter School and different from other private charters and 2-R charters in the state.
- All students are counted as Eau Claire School District students
- All the staff and teachers are ECASD employees
- McKinley serves 6<sup>th</sup>- 12<sup>th</sup> grade students
- When first opened, the school operated out of the gymnasium and small trailers
- Kitchen is outdated
- No private space for counseling
- More space needed for the competency component to better the learning the environment
- New windows and insulation needed, etc.

#### .II. Meeting Called to Order – Wendy Sue Johnson

Meeting was called to order at 5:15 pm

#### .III. Introductions

Introductions were made of everyone around the tables. A special thank you to Pete Riley for hosting the tour and providing a meeting space at McKinley for the meeting.

## .IV. Approval of Minutes of July 21, 2016

*Phil Lyons moved to accept the minutes. Seconded by Joe Luginbill. Carried by unanimous voice of acclamation.* 

## .V. Discussion of McKinley Improvements

Larry discussed the 5-year capital improvement plan for McKinley and the possible renovation plan. It would be \$800,000 - \$1M more to rebuilt a new complex at McKinley than to renovate.

Part of the referendum question will contain the \$2.2M deferred maintenance for McKinley that will be on the ballot on November 8, 2016.

Wendy Sue clarified to the committee exactly how the referendum would work. "The board has approved an operating question. If it is successful, part of those funds in addition to the deferred maintenance, the borrowing will be done and then the payments are wrapped into the operating budget. It is like taking a second mortgage and making that a part of the operating costs. So that this is one piece now."

What happens if we do not meet budget? There is a contingency built into the budget. The larger items are completed first and smaller items won't get done. There is a tendency to error on the higher side to be conservative when working with interest rates and budgeting.

If the referendum does not pass, the Board will go into the working capital. The Board will have to decide if we go back to referendum in April 2017 and there would be budget cuts in many areas.

## .VI. OTHER

Wendy Sue Johnson walked everyone through the Resource Sheet and the documents that it contained. She did an overview of what was contained in each report and what information you might find helpful.

South – Air handlers and chillers have been completed. Eventually South will receive updates similar to DeLong. There was no sheet submitted for the current referendum, however the cost improvements that are identified with South will be taken care of when the Board identifies that South should be on a separate referendum question.

Roosevelt – Architect's report is back and we will look at options (next meeting)

- add on/remodel
- build on same site
- or build a whole new building on a new site

Roosevelt should be in a better condition at the start of school this year than last. The Roosevelt goal is to keep all classrooms to two sections. The kindergarten classes for the 2016-17 year are already full for two sections and the overflow is going to other schools and will continue with those schools. The cafeteria, media center, gym and hallways are very small and the ceilings are lower giving the building a closed in feeling.

# .VII. Agenda for Next Meeting

Tour of Roosevelt Roosevelt Discussion with Report Flexible Boundary

# .IX. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 5:50 p.m.

## **Next Meeting Date**

September 15, 2016 Roosevelt School 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.