

Meeting: Demographic Trends and Facility Planning Committee Meeting

Date: February 15, 2024

Time: 4:30p.m. – 6:00p.m.

Location: Teams

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adeeb Jaaber	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caro Johnson*	<input type="checkbox"/> Colleen O’Leary	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Joe Koller	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Katie Sideri
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Margot Dahling	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mark Goings	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Nic Ashman	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ryan Petrie	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ryan Weichelt
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Travis Hedtke	<input type="checkbox"/> Yiliu Yang	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Non-Voting Resource Members				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abby Johnson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeff Nestor	<input type="checkbox"/> Mike Johnson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

* Committee Chair

The regular meeting of the Demographic Trends and Facility Planning Committee was called to order by Caro Johnson at 4:31p.m. on February 15, 2024. Quorum was met.

Notes: Marisa Pomplun

Guests: Pam Hermodson

- **Public Comment**
 - No Public Comment today
- **Approval of Previous Minutes**
 - The minutes from December 21, 2023 were reviewed.

Katie Sideri made a motion to approve the December 21, 2023 Demo & Trends Committee minutes. The motion was seconded by Nic Ashman. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

- **Elementary Boundaries/Projections**
 - Abby gave an update to the Committee showing that the District is currently discussing the alternate programming placement and shared that there might be more work for the committee in the future.
 - The group reviewed the current enrollments for elementary buildings. There was also information including the projections for 2024-25.
 - Ryan Petrie committee member from City Planning shared an update on construction projects for Eau Claire. The update included home projects and average costs as well as maps to show the building permits. Eau Claire is growing!
 - Ryan Weichelt committee member from the University shared a program with where the students are mapped across the District to help with future boundary discussions. Very interesting information and a neat tool to see where kids are and what trends might be.
 - The committee discussed having a boundary subcommittee and members volunteered to attend.

Action Items

- Can we put the city map on the elementary boundary map?
- Boundary Committee – Katie, Ryan W, Ryan P, Margot, Nic
- **Montessori Discussion**
 - Principal Hermodson gave an update about a grant that charter schools can apply for. They will be postponing the grant work for this year and will begin work soon for next year.
 - The committee reviewed the school paths for where the students would attend if they were not enrolled at Montessori.

- The District is facing a significant budget deficit and is going to referendum in November. The committee wondered if expanding Montessori is something that should be at the top of the priority list.
- Jeff created different scenarios for the committee to review when discussing a possible Montessori expansion.
- They also reviewed what staffing would be needed to remove all students from the wait list should Montessori expand.

Action Items

- Survey principals on what feasibility is for other options?
 - How much revenue would come from 21 OE Montessori kids?
 - Repurposing staff could reduce costs?
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- **Wrap-up Meeting**
 - Next meeting March 21, 2024
 - Future meetings – Montessori and south side boundaries

Mark Goings moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Katie Sideri. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 5:51p.m.