

Long Range Planning Committee

Minutes

February 26, 2018

Midtown Center

Members in Attendance:

Steve Casey	Gary Louie	Debora Nelson	Guests:
Rose Backs	Lisa Rakes	Donald Walters	Alivia Metts
Dana Specht	Christena Linford	Ex-Officio:	Hanna Brown
Troy Schueller	Jenn Decker	Stan Olson	Kathy Livingston
Teresa Armstrong	Jill Blackburn	Bryan Martin	Heather Somers
Sandy Brixen	Jennifer Brumley	Trina Caudle	Rick Kline
Blair Williams	Monica McLean	Kate Orozco	Crystal Kubstia
Nancy Nelson	David Morgan	Scott Maben	
Jerry Anderson	Jay Prickett	Pam Westberg	
Teresa Runge	Matthew Rakes	School Board Liaison:	
Tracy Weimer-Shull	Shanna Riske	Lisa May	

Members not able to attend: Jeff Bengtson, Bill Rutherford, Russell Helgeson and Kristie Williams.

Welcome: Chair, Steve Casey welcomed everyone and opened the meeting at 4:34 pm.

Approval of January 22nd Minutes: Dana Specht made the motion to approve the minutes and Troy Schueller seconded the motion. Approved.

Board/Superintendent Reports:

- Lisa May shared that Dr. Cook visited the CDA School District in February. He met with Cabinet members and toured schools. He will be back in March and will be attending the Data Summit 3.0 on March 9th at Midtown Center starting at 9:00 am. Dr. Cook and family are here for the long haul and plan on building a home in the CDA area.
- Stan Olson shared that there will be a Joint Boundary (Post Falls and Coeur d'Alene) School Board Meeting on March 19th at Midtown Center starting at 6:00 pm to discuss redefining primary boundary lines between Post Falls and CDA. Huetter road would be the new boundary line. The meeting will share the rationale and open up questions for both School Boards. Letters will go out to affected Post Falls and CDA families.
- Stan also shared that last week there was a meeting with the City of Hayden and the CDA School District to begin the process of creating a memorandum of understanding (MOU) regarding the School District and City of Hayden use agreement. (Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC) received a draft of these minutes.) As this MOU takes shape, it will be shared with LRPC. The City of Hayden will take the draft minutes to their meeting on Tuesday.

Alivia Metts, Economist, Economic Workforce Development Presentation:

- From 2011-2017 jobs increased by 16% in Kootenai County.
- The top industries which drive the growth are local government, hospitals and food services.
- Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed (ALICE) represents the households with income above the Federal Poverty Level, but below the basic cost of living. Kootenai County household survival wage is \$23.09 per hour, per household.
- Kootenai County per capital income is 24% lower than the national income.
- Population trends in the past 5 years have been 10% growth. It is projected that it will increase 7% over the next 5 years.
- Kootenai County's highest population growth is 10-14 year old students.

- The population growth will mostly be in the Atlas and Ramsey areas.
- There was a LRPC concern that the new Post Falls/CDA Boundary line will create more students in the overcrowded population of the northeast corridor in our District.
- There is also a concern that the District needs to develop and sustain a program/tracking method to follow the school population from birth.
- ISEE uploads can tell the percentage of populations going to our schools.
- Growth permits have increased in 2018-19. (Since February there has been an upwards of 400 or more units in CDA alone.)
- There is a concern on how to pull these permits and request that developers pay school fees and/or contribute to schools. As a District we need to start discussions with the CDA City.
- Possibly the new State U-I Inspire program will shift more students attending online courses.
- Alivia's recommendation would be to update data annually and even if you have a 5 year plan... update annually. Break it down into study areas or quadrants. (Looking at housing units, regular students and preschool students.)
- The most optimal time to open education construction is in the fall; no later than January or February. It is projected that the next two years, construction costs will increase.
- Alivia will send the presentation to Lisa to send out to LRPC.

Ramsey Magnet Elementary School Presentation: Crystal Kubista

- Ramsey is one of the largest elementary schools in CDA with 742 students. The building can hold up to 760, but due to the class size reduction, their enrollment numbers are lower.
- They have 6 portable classrooms that are over 13 years old. With budget restraints the portables receive maintenance and repairs only. Students have to use the restrooms in the main building and use an access code card to enter the building. Safety is always a concern.
- Parking and the car pickup line are huge issues and not adequate for the size of the school.
- 40% of their students are "choice in," they do not take any out of District students, (only grandfathered approx. 8) and all other students are zoned students.
- Ramsey's top priority would be to "get students inside" the main building!
- Ramsey's second choice would be to add more parking.
- The District's optimal school site plan is 500 students on a school campus.

Skyway Elementary School Presentation: Rick Kline

- Skyway is the 3rd largest elementary school in CDA with 620 students.
- They have 6 portable classrooms and have the same maintenance, repair, hazard weather, safety issues and concerns as Ramsey. If portables were removed, Skyway's building could be enlarged to hold more students.
- The Skyway roof has issues and the sprinkler system pipes leak.
- LRPC is concerned that Skyway won't be able to take more students with a boundary adjustment. There will be an internal boundary change in the future, due to the construction of the new elementary school.
- Over the past years portables were placed at schools for a temporary (5 years) overcrowding solution.

Atlas Elementary School Presentation: Heather Somers

- Atlas is the 2nd largest elementary school in CDA with 632 students.
- They have 3 portable classrooms with sixty (5th grade) students in the portables and they have the same maintenance, repair, hazard weather, safety issues and concerns as Ramsey and Skyway. Atlas does have 6 portable classrooms, but with last year's NExA boundary change, there are only 3 classrooms in the portables being used.
- Atlas's top priority would be to "get students inside" the main building! But if that can't happen, they would like to have water and bathrooms in the portables.

Fernan Elementary School Presentation: Kathy Livingston

- Fernan has approximately 400 students and are close to capacity.
- Fernan was built in 1992 and has no portables on site.
- They need a remodel. The carpet needs to be replaced and parts of the roof (flat area) still needs repair. They would like a fence continued past the kindergarten classrooms, sink issues repaired/replaced and updating of custodial equipment. Fernan does have room on the site for one more classroom.
- Fernan's parking lot and parts of the roof are being done with Bond Project funds this year.

LRPC COMMENTS:

- All portables are ADA student compliant with ramps. Portables are still old and put students and parents out in all hazard weather conditions.
- Students will receive accommodations, (wheel chair, etc.) if they have special needs.
- Woodland Middle School has 2 portables.
- There are no high school portables, due to current Bond Projects.
- Steve asked LRPC to review the BCEF documents for discussion at the next LRPC meeting. Please note on the BCEF documents that the numbers are not correct (due to Bond Projects) at Coeur d'Alene High School, Lake City High School, Northwest Expedition Academy (NExA), Dalton, Fernan and Hayden Meadows.
- The next March 19th LRPC meeting will overlap the Joint School Board Boundary Meeting at Midtown Center. LRPC will start earlier at 4:15 pm and end at 5:45 pm to allow the Joint School Board Boundary Meeting to begin at 6:00 pm at Midtown.
- Alivia will check into how many multi-units are classified for seniors.
- The Bond Projects at LCHS will add 10 more classrooms and CHS will add 9.
- High school bids came in high, but with valued engineering and education first, the District was able to shave off funding and meet the Bond Project Funding.
- Who makes the strategic planning decisions? Our new Superintendent will have a new set of eyes and ears to help move the District forward with these decisions.
- It is our responsibility to recognize the people that can advise our District on moving forward and how we can sustain it. Stan will share these thoughts with Dr. Cook.
- LRPC would like more communication from the Board on possible land purchases, etc. to build a better relationship. Lisa will share with Board of Trustees.
- At the next LRPC meeting we will review the By Laws to possibly change the meeting descriptors allowing LRPC to start off the year, (first meeting, etc.) with presenters like Alevia.

Next Meeting: March 19, 2018 at **NEW START TIME AT 4:15 p.m.** at Midtown Center.

Adjourned: Rose Backs made a motion to adjourn and Nancy Nelson seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned at 6:07 pm.

Submitted by Pam Westberg