

Long Range Planning Committee

Minutes

November 28, 2016

Lakes Magnet Middle School

Members in Attendance:

Lisa May (Chair)	Troy Schueller	Jerry Anderson	Trina Caudle
Rose Backs	Jeff Bengtson	Steve Casey	Kate Orozco
Dana Specht	Sandy Brixen	Blair Williams	Brian Wallace
Bill Rutherford	Teresa Runge	Ex-Officio:	Bryan Martin
Jill Carlson	Nancy Shepherd	Matt Handelman	Casey Morrisroe

Members not able to attend: Raniel Diaz, Robyn Clevenger, Teresa Armstrong , Todd Damron, Tracy Weimer-Shull

Welcome

Lisa May, opened the meeting at 4:32 p.m.

Business

Motion by Dana Specht to approve October 27th minutes, seconded by Jill Carlson – approved.

Community Conversation Recap

Board Chair, Casey Morrisroe reported about 30 people attended the Community Conversation on November 16th at CHS and the information they received was worthwhile. The Board is trying to gauge the community on running a Bond measure for district facility improvements. He states they understand the need but want to ensure that it passes and they hope to hear from a broader perspective. The next Community Conversation will be held on November 30th at LCHS and members were asked to encourage others to attend.

Lisa May stated that past community members and those present at the November 16th event didn't know of any resistance or opposition group (against the levy/bond) at this time. She also shared how some in the community are confused as to how things are funded in the state. Matt agreed that sometimes patrons don't always hear the information to inform them about levy/bonds. We need to continue to educate the public on how public schools and facilities are funded.

Polling the community was mentioned at the last Community event. Lisa stated that polling the community is confusing and as a tax payer she doesn't feel it is necessary or worth spending money on. How do you poll patrons when they don't understand or have all the information? The Board plans to talk about this at their Thursday Workshop.

Tour of Lakes

Jeff Bengtson, Principal, gave LRP members a tour of Lake Magnet Middle School.

Levy/Bond Information

Brian Wallace briefly went over the levy/bond information presented at the community event. The PowerPoint included an overview of property tax levies for Idaho schools, a review of existing debt and historical tax levy rates, levy/bond planning goals, tax levy projections and 2017 school election dates and timelines.

Bond Projects

It was agreed that the Hayden Center information on the LRP Recommended Projects handout should be removed from the Phase 2 recommendations. It was inadvertently put under that heading. Brian Wallace will

change the document and list the Hayden renovation at the bottom of the list of “other projects” to signify it as a separate project. The renovation of the Hayden site was not part of the last LRP recommendation.

Casey reported that the Board is looking at a number of different options for running a Bond without raising the tax rates. He hopes they can come together as one voice and present a clear vision to the public soon. The Board has scheduled a workshop for this Thursday to look closer at the facility needs and learn more about each of the projects. He stated this is not a reflection of all the work that the LRP Committee has done for the Board. The Board cannot deliberate or make decisions (per Idaho’s Open Meeting laws) outside of a public workshop/meeting.

Next Meeting – January 30, 2017

Adjourn – 6:30 p.m.

Submitted by Glenda Pope