

Long Range Plan Review Committee

Minutes

May 20, 2013

Midtown Center

Members in Attendance:

Angie Phillips	Paula Marano	Eden Irgens
Steve Roth	Warren Olson	Wendell Wardell*
Marcello Conigliaro	Janet Ackerman	Matt Handelman*
Tracy Weimer-Shull	Lea Williams	Tom Hamilton*
Tiffany Melton	Darlene Blomgren	*Ex-officio members
Kim Youngman	Becky Hocking	
Deanne Clifford	Lisa May	

1. Welcome

Angie Phillips, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.

2. Approval of Minutes

Motion by Eden Irgens and second by Tiffany Melton to approve March 18, 2013 minutes. Motion carries

3. Board Report –Tom Hamilton, Chair

- Bid process is a bit behind but happy Sorensen is coming in under bid
- Communication with Winton population regarding a complete tear down vs. a remodel – Found that the tear down is the best overall option but to maintain the architect appeal and feel of the old building

3. Construction Update – Wendell/Bryan

Wendell shared the following bullet points on the District remodel projects:

- Ginno was awarded the Sorensen bid and delighted that it came in under bid by approximately \$360,000 – 400,000. Expect occupancy of Sorensen on Aug. 21
- Member voiced some concern among Sorensen parents with bids coming in under of why they were told to scale back and stay under allocated amount. Also ask why funds will go down stream – the tax payer was told a certain amount of money would be used on Sorensen. Other items are needed such as blinds, desks/chairs, and other things. Believes we should be transparent and stick true to amount provided during bond.
 - Mr. Handelman explained that attention is being paid to other items such as all windows will be replaced and will have the blinds built in between panes. Project costs were estimated by architects and construction companies and contingency amounts were added in as well. We asked parents to dream big and did have to scale back from the big dream. We tried to make it clear/transparent to the community during the Bond campaign and are bound to follow policy 807 Development and Management of Voter Approved Bonds and School Plant Facility Levies. Mr. Hamilton said we are trying to avoid the Lakes situation when other projects were completed prior to Lakes and then no money was left. Decisions will have to be made when all projects are completed.
- Mrs. Ackerman (Sorensen Principal) stated that she has worked side by side with Scott fisher on every room and other items needed have been discussed. She has learned that furniture does not belong in building site plan.
- It was decided that when any Bond project communication goes out, it will be forwarded to the LRPC.
- The Sorensen alternate for the playground surface was not accepted due to such a big difference in bids
- Asbestos removal is coming in lower than expected
- Technology bids for VOIP is coming in low as well
- This Friday the construction bid for canfield will be awarded
- Canfield has 5 bidders and hope for some good competitive bids here as well
- Plan to bid Borah and Bryan in August

Northshire Sale Update – The District should receive a letter to commit in about 13 days and if it is declined, we will put the for sale sign up.

Updating the 10 yr plan

Mrs. Phillips shared that a small sub-committee (of LRP members) met and came up with the following talking points around the 10 yr plan.

- The need to fund PTE programs – A Lakes teacher spent \$2,000 of their own money and visited dumpsters to find wood for the wood shop class.
 - It was stated that this class does not fit into the PTE programs. The District needs to bring courses up to date and many have needs for more funding than what is available.
- Lakes locker and band rooms need updated
 - Need someone to look into this and report back
- Higher learning courses in middle schools – The group felt that current programs need to be communicated better to the community and parents of what is available, to keep from losing students to the Charter school
 - Matt explained that titles and content have been worked on this year with Principals. Part of the problem is money & people as well as a capacity issue.
- Safety issues around Hayden Kinder Center office manager – Entrance is not visible by office
 - Safety measures are in the works for all offices in the District. Surveillance cameras and entrance areas (where visitors can't come all the way in) are being looked at. There may be other options around the VOIP system as well. Funds (\$1.4M) from the recent levy were added for safety and security enhancements. A safety committee is in place and will go to bid when ready.
- Remaining portables at non Bond project schools – Would re-zoning help make room at those sites?
 - Mr. Handelman states that he doesn't feel that would alleviate the problem.
- What about safety during bathroom breaks?
 - Computerized locks for main doors are planned where swipe keys will be used
- LRP Chair directed to Board Chair. What do you see is happening with this committee?
 - Mr. Hamilton said the Board will have that discussion in July which is the annual meeting where Board appointed committees are reviewed for the next school year.
- How does this committee feel about the enrollment projections in the 10 yr plan?
 - Most feel they are critical and that the data projections should be kept in the document
- Other Comments:
 - Admin will need to work on Winton placement of students
 - There is interest for Fernan to become a STEM school
 - Keep in mind smaller schools or K-8
 - Wait until all projects are completed then set up site visits for future facility needs
 - Mr. Hamilton to give report and guidance from the board (communication) from discussion at July's annual meeting on Board appointed committees
 - Suggestion to look outside the box at other states
 - Common core – is happening tom feels NCLB was mistake concern to not place a ceiling or floor why do you need 22 pages of data; new board member concerns
 - CDA always been top of the state – we need to take care of our teachers
 - Concerns of placement of CHS gym in 10 yr plan – because additional seating capacity is the real need (not added luxury item) consider moving CHS from “gym” column to the “added square footage” (health & safety) column for a teaching station
 - Members agreed to the suggested change – CHS & LCHS will be listed under phase I under Additional Square Footage (Health & Safety)
 - Angie reviewed the LRP process and bylaws

Next Meeting: TBD **Adjourn:** 5:50 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by Glenda Pope