

Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC)

Minutes

August 31, 2020

Zoom Virtual Meeting - (4:30 pm – 6:00 pm)

Members in Attendance:

Mike Behary	Marie Nail	Mary Wolfinger	Scott Maben
Christina Harris	Mary Jaglois Orr	District Staff Liaison:	Guest:
Jodi Johnson	Jay Prickett	Steve Cook	Jennifer Brumley
Teresa Kaiser	Heather Somers	Jeff Voeller	Jerry Anderson
Sarah McCracken	Donald Walters	Pam Westberg	

Members not able to attend: Carrie Frank, Trina Scott, Cynthia Draper, Shane Grady, Lauren Gage, Michael Lindquist, Matthew Rakes and Kristi Rietze.

Welcome: Chair, Don Walters opened the meeting at 4:35 pm. Everyone introduced themselves and their roles on the Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC).

Approval of the Agenda: Motion by Mary Wolfinger to approve the agenda, second by Mary Jaglois Orr. Members voted 11-0 and unanimously approved the agenda.

Bylaws: Motion by Christina Harris to revise the Bylaws Article VIII – Section 2 to read as follows:

2. The first meeting shall include all new members. ~~and the election of the vice chairperson.~~

3. The final meeting shall include elections of Vice Chair and, if necessary, the Chair.

second by Mary Wolfinger. Members voted 11-0 and unanimously approved the revised Bylaws.

Elections: Caleb Hurley made the nomination to elect himself for Vice Chair, second by Don Walters. Members voted (11-0) and unanimously approved Caleb Hurley as Vice Chair.

Approval of June 15, 2020 Minutes: Motion by Mary Wolfinger to approve the June 15, 2020 minutes, second by Jay Prickett. Members voted 11-0 and unanimously approved the June 15, 2020 minutes.

Long Range Facilities Plan (LRFP): Don thanked Scott Maben, Jerry Anderson, Jeff Voeller and the Subcommittee for their hard work on this amazing document. The LRFP was approved by the Board in July. Everyone should review the LRFP and be aware for future discussions. He shared some LRFP highlights:

- Schools are over capacity.
- Portables should be removed.
- Possibly a K-8 school.
- Deferred maintenance is a critical need.

Jeff Voeller shared that the site analysis and demographic reports indicated we need property on the west side. The District continues to work with land owners/developers to acquire property. Jeff said we can't trade with private individuals or companies, but we can trade with public entities like cities.

Board Report: Trustee, Jennifer Brumley

- Reopening of Schools
 - The Board approved opening school in orange and Jennifer shared the reopening phases:
 - Green – (Slight risk – schools open in-person – social distancing and masks encouraged.)
 - Yellow – (Minimal risk – schools open in-person – social distancing and masks required.)
 - Orange – (Moderate risk – blended learning – half in-person Monday-Tuesday, the other half Thursday-Friday, and Wednesday all students will be remote learning – strict social

- distancing and masks required even on school buses.) Students with last name A-K will attend Monday-Tuesday and L-Z will attend Thursday-Friday.
- Red - (Substantial risk – buildings are closed and students participate online.)
- The Board is working on the third revision of the Mask Policy and will take action later this week at a Special meeting.
- Jennifer shared that remote learning will not be where students sit for hours watching their teacher teach another class. Instead remote learning will be some sort of activity and/or videos for their classroom work, then there will be time for questions for the teacher.

Superintendent's Report: Steve Cook

- Enrollment Numbers/Levy
 - Steve shared that school enrollment is down about 800 students. (Enrollment for high school is up, middle school is down and elementary school is down.) The District understands that many parents are nervous/scared and are waiting to see what will happen once school starts.
 - Portable usage will be reduced due to enrollment numbers for this year.
 - Every two years our supplemental levy runs and this year it will run again. The last time it ran for \$20 million.
- eSchool
 - The District realized they needed an online school and launched the [eSchool linked here](#). There are over 1300 students enrolled.
 - The stand-alone school will offer rigorous K-12 instruction in all core content areas and basic electives.
- Metrics for Categories
 - The [Metrics for Categories linked here](#) and is updated weekly.
 - Decisions are supported by the latest data and trends for tracking the prevalence of COVID-19 cases in Kootenai County, along with short-term projections from our partners at Panhandle Health District and Kootenai Health.
 - The criteria we use to determine risk category include these metrics:
 - The incidence of COVID-19 in Kootenai County
 - The positivity rate, or percentage of positive cases among the tests processed
 - Hospitalizations, including intensive care unit admissions, at Kootenai Health
 - The Board of Trustees approved the reopening plan, and also approved delaying students starting school until September 14, so that teachers can have Blended Learning training.
 - To change categories the Board will be notified on a Monday to vote, and then the following Monday the change will happen. This gives parents, staff and student a week's notice. The District will try to stay for 4 weeks in any category before transitioning.

Facilities and Planning: Jeff Voeller

- HVAC Systems/Social Distancing in Classrooms/Busing/Food Services
 - HVAC: Engineers are working with the District to open dampers, increase filtration and install ionization technology that will impact the District at a cost of approximately \$80 thousand.
 - Social Distancing in Classrooms/Busing: Student seating in classrooms will be 6 feet apart with approximately 15-21 students in a classroom depending on the size of the classroom. Bussing will have half the students and will follow social distancing guidelines with students wearing masks.

- Food Service: The District will serve grab and go meals for students on the days they are not on site. The USDA just announced they are extending no cost for student meals.
- School Plus/Childcare
 - Childcare is an issue for teacher's children on the days students are not in school. The Kroc has opened childcare for approximately 60 children of teachers.
 - The Boys and Girls Club is working on opening childcare for approximately 100 students at their facility.
 - School Plus will be available before and after school. The early childhood center will be open for childcare for Monday-Tuesday and Thursday-Friday. Childcare for Wednesday will be at three different locations for approximately 60 children.
- Update on the New opening NExA School
 - NExA received their Certificate of Occupancy last week. The school is ready to go. The gym floor will be finished in the next few months.

Topics for Future Discussion: Send future topics to Don Walters at: dwalters@cdaschools.org.

Adjourned: Chair, Don Walters adjourned the meeting at 6:05 pm.

Submitted by
Pam Westberg