

## Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC)

### Minutes

December 14, 2020

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

#### **Members in Attendance:**

David Brandi	Michelle Johnson	Stephanie Quagliana	<b>District Staff Liaison:</b>
Michael Brewer	Kimberly Judd	Matthew Rakes	Steve Cook
Constance Bond	Teresa Kaiser	Lindsey Swingrover	Katie Ebner
Carrie Frank	Michael Lindquist	Donald Walters	Kate Orozco
Shane Grady	Sarah McCracken	Brian Waddell	Scott Maben
Christina Harris	Carrie Miller	Mary Wolfinger	Jeff Voeller
Nancy Hart	Marie Nail	<b>School Board Liaison:</b>	Pam Westberg
Caleb Hurley	Jay Prickett	Rebecca Smith	

**Members not able to attend:** Mike Behary, Lauren Gage, Mary Jaglois Orr, Jodi Johnson, Trina Scott and Heather Somers.

**Call the Meeting to Order:** Chair, Don Walters opened the meeting at 4:32 pm.

**Approval of the Agenda:** Motion by Constance Bond to approve the agenda, second by Lindsey Swingrover. Members voted 21-0 and unanimously approved the agenda.

**Approval of October 26, 2020 Minutes:** Motion by Shane Grady to approve the October 26, 2020 minutes, second by Constance Bond. Members voted 21-0 and unanimously approved the October 26, 2020 minutes.

**The following members arrived at 4:40 pm:** Michael Brewer

#### **Board Report: Trustee, Rebecca Smith**

- On December 7<sup>th</sup> the Board of Trustees ratified that both high schools and middle schools will continue blended learning and elementary and Venture High School will continue a modified in-person four days a week schedule. They also, approved allowing Dr. Cook to move schools quickly in categories when needed, and approved the levy amount ask of \$20 million.

#### **E-School: Kate Orozco**

- Kate shared the e-School presentation slides. (See attached.)
- As of today there are 1035 students enrolled. (536 secondary and 499 elementary.)
- 46 teachers working out of the old Hayden Lake (NExA) site.
- E-School's challenges are building culture and community with students and parents. (They really depend on the partnerships with families.)
- In mid-January before the second semester the transfer window will open.
- E-School needs help creating the e-School Vision Teams. (Parents, students, psychologist, District staff, and Long Range Planning Committee [LRPC] members). The following LRPC members volunteered to help the e-School visioning planning (purpose, budgeting, enrollment/sizing, vision, space, etc.) team. They will report back to the LRPC in the future. (Kate will send information for the first meeting sometime in January.)
  - Lindsey Swingrover
  - Constance Bond
  - Mike Lindquist
  - Teresa Kaiser

- If you are interested in helping the Vision Team contact Kate at: [korozco@cdaschools.org](mailto:korozco@cdaschools.org).
- Mary Wolfinger asked the following questions:
  - Where did e-School funding come from? Part of the funding came from CARES money and the District will need to budget for moving forward. The Visioning Team will look at this.
  - How are Special Ed students performing? There are 90 Special Ed students with IEPs currently at the e-School. It has been tricky and once the mid-year assessment results are in, we will know more how it is working. The District is being very sensitive to students and families and trying to accommodate and keep communication open.
  - Did teachers have a choice? All e-School teachers applied for the positions with the promise that if it did not work out that they would be able to return to their home schools at the end of the year.
- E-School Principal, Bryan Kelly and Vice Principal, Becky Miller will be holding focus groups after the Holiday Break to ask families and students what is working and what is not. LRPC suggested that in-person school students and parents be surveyed, as well.
- Christina Harris asked how does e-School impact our need to add physical school buildings and do we still need an elementary, middle and high school in the next few years? Due to the District re-boundary, COVID, and if the e-School holds onto the current 1000 students, we do not know how the e-School will impact the overcrowding in the District. We won't know until next year when the pandemic and home schooled students return to our schools. Approximately 800 students were pulled out this year (due to the pandemic) for home schooling. It was suggested to survey these families on their plans for the 2021-22 school year.
- Steve shared that the District's McKinney-Vento program is available to students and families that lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence.

***Levy Presentation: Scott Maben and Katie Ebner***

- Scott shared the levy overview and Katie Ebner shared the growth and development presentation. (See attached.)
- The levy this year is March 9, 2021.
- Almost 25% of our operating budget comes from the current \$20 million annual levy.
- The levy needs 50% approval by voters to pass.
- The District's role is to present facts to the community. If you know of any community groups that we can share the levy facts presentation with, contact Scott at: [smaben@cdaschools.org](mailto:smaben@cdaschools.org).
- Christina Harris suggested a return on investments facts sheet with specific language regarding what levy dollars actually paid.
- Jeff will bring in an Economist to the next LRPC meeting to look at the big picture of the growth in our community

***Adjourned:*** Chair, Don Walters adjourned the meeting at 5:46 pm.

Submitted by  
Pam Westberg