

Long Range Planning Committee (LRPC)

Minutes

January 24, 2022

Virtual Meeting

Members in Attendance:

John Beacham	Michelle Johnson	Trina Scott	<i>District Staff Liaison:</i>
David Brandi	Kimberly Judd	Lindsey Swingrover	Shon Hocker
Constance Bond	Teresa Kaiser	Brian Waddell	Scott Maben
Carrie Frank	Troy McCollum	Donald Walters	Jeff Voeller
Christina Harris	Marie Nail	Mary Wolfinger	Pam Westberg
Nancy Hart	Marissa Owen	<i>School Board Liaison:</i>	<i>Guest:</i>
Jason Hover	Stephanie Quagliana	Rebecca Smith	Samuel Wolkenhauer
Caleb Hurley	Heather Somers	Heather Tenbrink	Jennifer Peak
Jodi Johnson	Shantel Reaves		

Members not able to attend: Mike Behary, Michael Brewer, Michael Lindquist, Sarah McCracken, and Tera Nelson.

Call the Meeting to Order: Chair, Caleb Hurley opened the meeting at 4:32 pm.

Approval of the Agenda: Motion by Constance Bond to approve the agenda with the modification of topic #10 to a virtual discussion with Principal, Jennifer Peak, second by Lindsey Swingrover. Members voted 23-0 and unanimously approved the modified agenda.

Demographics Presentation: Samuel Wolkenhauer, Economist with the Idaho State Department of Labor

- Mr. Wolkenhauer presented economic issues regarding demographics overview, labor and economy. (See attached presentation.)
- The current economic friction is not caused by the pandemic, but by deeper structural issues.
- Domestic demographics changed due to relocation of people in the United States.
- Covid did not increase the birth rate as expected. (Birth rate dropped in 2020 and dropped even lower in 2021.)
- The three ways population grows:
 - Natural increase.
 - International immigration.
 - Domestic shift. (Kootenai County's growth is experiencing a domestic shift.)
- School age population in the United States is getting smaller each year, due to the birth rate dropping.
- High Schools age population is larger right now and more likely to exceed capacities.
- Idaho job creation has slowed down due to very few people to hire.
- Some of the reasons to why our labor supply is low:
 - Skill level mismatch.
 - Very low population growth.
 - Lots of retirements.
 - Disabilities of despair.
 - Accumulated savings.
 - Choosy job seekers.
- The Great Resignation is voluntary separations and it continues to rise monthly.

- Mr. Wolkenhauer summarized the presentation below:
 - Natural growth is gone.
 - Idaho wins on distribution.
 - Economics lacks traction. (The average highest income brackets are having one child.)
 - Labor markets are tight.
 - Covid has masked some underlining structural issues.
- The rest of the country is seeing negative growth, but Idaho is continuing to see growth due to people moving here and not natural growth.
- This presentation does not include specific federal regulations.
- If you have any questions you can contact Samuel Wolkenhauer by email Samuel.wolkenhauer@labor.idaho.gov or by phone 208-457-8789 Ext 4451.

Approval of November 29, 2021 Minutes: Motion by Constance Bond to approve the November 29, 2021 minutes, second by Lindsey Swingrover. Members voted 23-0 and unanimously approved the November 29, 2021 minutes.

Nominations/Elect the Replacement of the Vice-Chair: Caleb Hurley

- Motion by Don Walters to nominate Lindsey Swingrover for Vice-Chair, second by Constance Bond. Members voted 23-0 and unanimously approved the nomination to elect Lindsey Swingrover for Vice-Chair.

Board Report: Trustee Rebecca Smith and Trustee Heather Tenbrink

- Trustee Smith introduced Trustee Tenbrink as she will now be the LRPC Board Liaison.
- Trustee Tenbrink is excited to start working with the LRPC and she thanked members for their service.

Superintendent Report: Shon Hocker

- Online School:
 - Surveys went out to currently enrolled District families asking if they would be interested in an Online School. We have received 250 students' responses that they are interested. The Online School would help alleviate some of the load on other schools. The survey deadline is this Friday. Once the data is in the District will be sharing details.
- High School Schedules
 - The Board had a workshop to update them on the high school schedules. They will decide at the February Board meeting whether to move forward or not. If the Board approves moving forward the new schedule would not be in place until the 2023-2024 school year.
 - School start time will not be discussed by the Board until the high school schedule have been decided and approved by the Board. If the high school schedule does not move forward the Board would revisit the school start times at a later time.
 - The Superintendent-Parent Advisory Resource Community Council (SPARCC) is on hold but Dr. Hocker is looking at possibly bringing it back after spring break.
- Land Acquisition Update
 - Mr. Voeller was not available to attend the LRPC meeting and Dr. Hocker shared that Lakeside Capital/Coeur Terre Development and the School District Attorneys are working on the MOU and it should be ready soon.

Long Range Facilities Plan Update: Scott Maben

- Survey Results
 - Mr. Maben asked LRPC to review the survey responses. (See Survey Responses attached.)
 - The subcommittee will spend the next couple of months updating the plan Long Range Facility Plan (LRFP) from the survey results. (See LRFP attached.) The LRPC will approve the revised plan in April and then bring to the Board for approval in June.
 - Residential Growth and siting analysis rose to the top on the priority list.
 - Other top needs were Facility Evaluations and Deferred Maintenance that are on hold, overdue, and are waiting on funding.
 - A new middle school rose to the top of the project priority list.
 - The enrollment 10 year forecast for high school is 600 students over current high school enrollments and listed below are the top priorities to help with the future overcrowding:
 - Build a small focus or magnet high school, or
 - Add on to existing high school.
 - Scott will update the data on attendance, school capacity and enrollment forecasts.
- Subcommittee Members
 - Chair, Caleb Hurley asked for volunteers to be on the LRFP subcommittee to work on the revisions. The following members volunteered:
 - Jason Hover
 - Troy McCollum
 - Lindsey Swingrover
 - David Brandi
 - Michelle Johnson
 - Kimberly Judd
 - Marissa Owen
 - Jeff Voeller
 - Scott Maben

Virtual Skyway Elementary School Discussion: Principal, Jennifer Peak

- Skyway Elementary School's current enrollment is 621 students. Last year there was a decrease of 200 students due to the pandemic, but currently their numbers are almost back up to pre pandemic numbers.
- Skyway has been repurposing any areas that can hold small classes inside. They will continue repurposing spaces inside and are starting to look at outside overcrowded areas such as play structures.
- NExA opening did not help with the overcrowding enrollment numbers at Skyway.
- Skyway is still using portables and the portables are full with 1st grade, Accelerated Learning Program (ALP), 4th grade and 5th grade.
- Skyway still provides extended and regular resource programs. These numbers are not huge. Even students living outside of Skyway boundaries that attend the extended resource program numbers are small.
- Full Day Kindergarten did have an impact as they now have 4 classrooms of Kindergarten.
- Student lunches are spread out to one grade level at a time for 20 minutes per covid guidelines.
- Jeff Voeller will address the concerns regarding bussing challenges at the next LRPC meeting.
- There was a Magnet School overlay concern but Ms. Somers explained that Magnet Schools are run differently and there are a lot of things that need to be in place such as the overlays.

- Some schools are experiencing increasing enrollment numbers but some are down. It is hard to track numbers due to the NExA shifting enrollment, the boundary shift and the pandemic.
- Scott will refresh the numbers for where we are right now at the semester change and share with LRPC.
- Principal, Jennifer Peak will send her top three needs/request for Skyway to Pam to share with LRPC.

The Next LRPC Meeting: February 28, 2022 at Northwest Expedition Academy Elementary School (2008 W. Prairie Ave – Hayden) in the Library.

Adjourned: Chair, Caleb Hurley adjourned the meeting at 6:08 pm.

Submitted by,
Pam Westberg