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## Facilities Study Committee Minutes September 9, 2009

Attending: Lori Anderson, Tom Bassett (Forte Architects), Miles Caples, Diane Grover, Keith Vradenburg, Randy Whitehall, Mike Wyant

### **1. Study and Survey**

Tom Bassett of Forte Architects discussed the preliminary findings from the study and survey that Forte is conducting with us. Tom provided a document that groups facilities issues based on interviews and information gathering from last spring. The committee reviewed and discussed the preliminary needs assessment and agreed that the elementary wing and some sort of student/community center or commons emerged as the highest priorities. A board work session is scheduled at 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, October 15 to hear a report from Mr. Bassett and the members of the facility committee and to discuss options for proceeding with facilities planning.

### **2. Server room cooling**

The Educational Service District network services staff asked us to find a way to cool the server room. The temperature in the server room has been typically around 84 degrees. 68 degrees is the target temperature for obtaining the longest life out of the electronic equipment. Jim investigated various possibilities for cooling the room. The best solution appears to be a dedicated split air conditioning unit. The cost is \$8,500 for equipment and installation. Included in the cost is an estimated \$2,000 to have the electrical installation engineered as required for this sort of project. Other options were discussed; including ways the heat might be captured and used elsewhere. Tom Bassett said that while the cost seems high, it sounds about right for this sort of project.

### **3. Stucco repair**

Mike explained that a company described to Jim Brooks a process for filling holes in the exterior stucco and then coating the stucco with a substance that repels the birds so they don't make more holes. Tom Bassett expressed some skepticism about the ability of this product to do what it is advertised to do. Jim Brooks can provide more details at a future meeting.

#### **4. Sewer lines**

The committee recommends getting bids on replacing the sewer lines that caused last year's problems. The timing is good because many contractors are looking for work at this time.

#### **5. Other / next meeting**

The committee's next meeting is on Tuesday, October 13, 2009 at 4:00 in the Home Economics Room.