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Facilities Study Committee Minutes March 26, 2013

Those who attended on March 26 (names in bold text):

Previous committee members:

Lori Anderson, John Barnes, Tom Bassett, Jim Brooks, Miles Caples, Tammy Giacomazzi, Diane Grover, Rick Long, Jose Quezada, Leonardo Quezada, Jim Smothers, Keith Vradenburg, Randy Whitehall, Mike Wyant, Julie Zielke

New committee members:

Mike Chambers, Troy Corn, Randy Dahl, Marilyn Kamphaus, Phylisha Olin, Rich Wheeler, (Tammi O'Brian has also asked to join the committee and Jim Holscher may be joining.)

1. Introductions and committee roster
2. Organize ground/outside facilities committee (or sub-committee)

Everyone on the committee expressed interest in assisting with the comprehensive study of the district's grounds and outside facilities. The committee will take up that work at the April 16 meeting.

3. Recap bond measure events to date

Considerations:

- a. Expiration of existing bond at the end of 2013 (property tax reduction of \$1.18 / \$1,000 of assessed value beginning January, 2014)
- b. Remaining 2013 election dates (August 6 and November 5 with corresponding resolution filing dates of May 10 and August 6)
- c. Close outcome of February election

Mike Wyant briefly summarized what has taken place since the failure of the February bond measure. A more detailed written recap of the process is provided with these minutes. Phylisha Olin recommended a study of the reasons why the February bond measure did not achieve 60 percent majority required for passage. It

was decided to turn that question over to the citizens' bond committee for consideration. Phylisha and Troy Corn offered to assist with the study of that question.

4. Options for modernization
 - a. Start from scratch
 - b. Modify existing proposal
 - c. Recommend same proposal again

Options for proceeding with a recommendation to the board were discussed. The committee rejected the option of starting over from scratch. The committee decided to provide the board with two or more options to consider. Some discussion addressed the question of whether or not the cafeteria could be upgraded so that it meets existing safety codes and Americans with Disabilities Act access requirements. The committee had previously concluded that it could not and had based its recommendation for a modernization / new addition project on that conclusion. Additional architectural and engineering study is necessary to further address the question.

5. Architect selection

The school board directed the committee to proceed with the selection of an architectural firm to recommend to the board. Mike Chambers and Rick Long from the facilities study committee will join Jim Brooks, Miles Caples, Diane Grover, Mike Wyant and Ishmael Vivanco (to the extent that he is available to participate) on the committee that will recommend a firm to the board. Screening and interviews will be conducted as soon as possible, with a recommendation to be ready by April 30.

6. Date(s) for next meeting(s)

The next committee meeting is scheduled for 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 16 in the school library.

7. Other

Tammy Giacomazzi distributed an idea for a plan that would delay modernization of the elementary for the time being but would address the question of the cafeteria with new construction. Committee members were asked to look it over prior to the April 16 meeting as a starting point for discussion.