



Glen Ellyn School District 41

Dr. Ann Riebock, Superintendent

MINUTES - BOARD OF EDUCATION FINANCE AND FACILITIES COMMITTEE MEETING November 22, 2010 – 6:00 P.M. Central Services Office

Present: Bob Solak – Finance Committee Chairperson, Drew Ellis – Finance Committee Member, Terra Costa-Howard arrived at 7:15 PM, Dr. Ann Riebock, Bob Ciserella and Phyllis Hanna.

The meeting was called to order at 6:18 PM.

I. Master Facility Plan

The committee reviewed the New School Cost Modeling Report prepared by the administration which reflects projected additional operating costs if an additional elementary school is built. The costs reflected in this report include salaries/benefits for projected additional staff and other operational costs, energy, supplies/materials and student transportation. The committee agreed that the cost modeling report provided a very conservative projection for the additional staff that may be required in the event a new elementary school is built. Acknowledging that the committee's discussion focuses on the long-range facilities plan, the committee discussed the phasing of a multi-year, project-based approach to referenda. The discussion centered on the possibilities of future construction such as a new junior high with renovations being made to the current junior high to transform it to an elementary school with early childhood and central services offices. Discussion also took place regarding whether building a new building would result in a need for a tax rate increase at some point in the future.

The committee reviewed the status of the Master Facilities Plan alternatives to confirm which alternatives will move forward and which will be removed from further study. Dr. Riebock edited the original recommendations' analysis matrix which included all alternatives to include committee status comments on each. A second document comprising the alternatives that the Finance Committee had agreed to move forward was also created. The committee also agreed to add Alternative A-8, a 1-to-1 classroom addition to all buildings to remove existing portables with no other renovations included. The committee will not recommend this option move forward, but it was a part of the committee's discussion. After further discussion, the committee determined that Alternate B-5 would also be removed from the list for further study. In discussing the building of a new school, it was agreed that placing a small school (@400 students) at Spalding was not desirable from an operational perspective, but it was not agreed that a larger building could not be placed in that location. Several alternatives are moving forward for more detailed study including cost analysis: A-6 which now includes additional learning spaces to reflect the 21st Century School/Learner concept, B-3, B-4, B-7 and B-8. The committee has requested that the Board of Education submit comments on scenarios B-7 and B-8 related to cost, alignment with MFP vision and other factors on the analysis matrix.

The committee agreed to use the following floor plans for the A-series option cost analysis: Churchill A2-2, Forest Glen A2-2, Franklin A2-2 and Lincoln A2-2. For costing of the B-3 alternative, 15% more square footage will be added to the B-3 floor plans for Lincoln, Franklin, Churchill and Forest Glen to recognize the additional learning spaces needed to meet the 21st Century School/Learner concept.

The committee agreed to meet again on December 13, 2010, at 6:00 PM to review the additional information on the remaining alternatives.

II. Other

None

III. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 8:59 PM.