

Columbia Public Schools
Long Range Facilities Planning Committee
Meeting Minutes

February 8, 2018

4:30 p.m.

1818 West Worley St., Training Room

Mr. James Whitt, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.

Present: Jim Whitt, LRFC Chair; Dr. Peter Stiepleman, Superintendent; Anna Munson, CFO; Dr. Kevin Brown, Assistant Superintendent of Secondary; Dr. Jill Brown, Assistant Superintendent of Elementary; Charles Oestreich, Director of Facilities and Construction Services; Heather McArthur, Administration Project Manager; Jim Cherrington, Director of Business Services; Christine King and Jonathan Sessions, Board Members; Chris Davis, Peckham and Wright Architects; Ben Ross, Fred Carroz, and Zach Thomas, Engineering Survey & Services

The minutes from the November 9, 2017 meeting were reviewed and approved.

Agenda was approved as presented.

Dr. Stiepleman shared with the committee a handout on the April 2018 Bond. The handout will be presented to public to address questions regarding the \$30 million no-tax rate increase bond issue that will be on the April ballot. Questions that are answered on the handout include:

- The difference between a tax levy and a bond issue.
- How the funds will be spent.
- Why there is need for the proposed items.

The handout provided a timeline of projects that have been completed or in process using previous bond funds as well as the planned projects. To pass, 57% of the voters will need to approve.

A conversation was had by the committee regarding the use of bond money to build an addition on to an elementary school. The funds will not be available for two years which will allow the committee to determine what school has the greatest need. Rock Bridge Elementary, Battle Elementary and Midway Heights Elementary are potential sites. These schools are projected to have a 30% growth over the next 10 years. The addition to one of these locations would allow the district to remove additional trailers.

Ben Ross from Engineering Survey & Services presented an update on the New Southwest Middle School. ES&S is working on various easements with the City of Columbia and University of Missouri. Some of the easements discussed: sanitary sewer, north side water line, Boone Electric powerline, parking lot variance, and Payment in Lieu of Construction for a round-about instead of a left turn lane. The petroleum pipeline issue has been resolved with the pipeline being vacated.

Chris Davis, Peckham and Wright Architects, presented the committee with a construction timeline for the New Southwest Middle School and the renovation of Lee Elementary. The chart projects a 2020 opening of the middle school and a 2021 opening of Lee Elementary.

The committee discussed the proposed policies FED, Selection of a Construction Manager at Risk and FEE, Selection of Design-Build Contractor. Chris Davis explained each policy and their potential use by Columbia Public Schools.

Making the historical building in our district more modern, yet keeping their historical feel while providing an improved learning environment, was discussed. The committee felt it would be a real value to visit other school districts that have modernized their historical buildings and tour them for ideas on how to take care and renovate the historical buildings in our district.

The committee is scheduled to meet March 8, 2018 at 4:30 p.m. at 1818 West Worley St.

The committee adjourned at 5:25 p.m.