Long Range Advisory Committee

MINUTES
Monday, February 27, 2023
5:30 - 7:30 PM

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Committee Members in Attendance: Brian Lewandowski, Brooke Daerr, Caleb Starbuck, Dan Ryan, Dawn DiMedio, Della Smith, Gavan Goodrich, Gordo Byrn, Jade Mercer, Jeff Anderson, Jim Topping, Josh Baldner, Kate Stricklan, Tina Marquis, Trish De Fries, Vanessa Hetzel, Yvette Salas

Staff Members in Attendance: Rob Price, Glen Segrue, Bill Sutter, Kari Albright, Lora De La Cruz, Susan Cousins, Jean Sturm

I. Welcome

Yvette Salas opened the meeting and welcomed the committee. Dr. Anderson took a moment to thank the committee members for their hard work and expressed appreciation for their efforts. He acknowledged the difficulty and importance of the work they are doing. He explained that currently the district is able to use funding reserves to shield schools from the impacts of declining enrollment. However, as more schools shrink the district's ability to use reserve funding to mitigate the negative impacts diminishes.

II. Public Comment

No members of the public were present.

III. Committee Governance (15 Minutes)

A. The upcoming meeting dates are confirmed as Mar. 20 and Apr. 17 if needed.
B. The next update from the committee to the Board will be Mar. 14.
C. A work session will be held May 16 with staff and the LRAC chair members to discuss the proposed metrics and recommendations. The committee will present its recommendations to the Board Jun. 13.
D. The group approved the Jan. 23 Minutes.
E. Jeff Anderson explained to the group that the document the group will discuss at the meeting is still fluid and is expected to evolve over the next few meetings.

IV. Discussion Items

A. **Review of Committee Purpose** Rob Price reminded the group of its purpose and explained the working draft of the LRAC Suppposals that staff developed for discussion. This document will guide the Board in its future decision-making. Price explained that staff had created a "supposal document" for the purpose of discussion. The Supposal included the suggestion of an annual update to the Board that includes school utilization data and number of classes per grade level. The Supposal also suggested metrics that would indicate when the Board might

consider taking action related to enrollment decline at a school. The suggested metrics were based on enrollment and utilization data points. The recommendations suggest action that could be taken.

Bill Sutter spoke to the committee and recommended that cost per pupil numbers not be part of the annual report to the Board in order to keep decision-making focused on the quality of the educational program. Sutter added that costs can be calculated if needed if a specific responsive action is proposed at a future time. Sutter also recommended that capital construction costs not be included in the annual report.

One committee member suggested that looking at how the instructional reserve has been used over time to buffer the effects of enrollment decline could be another valuable data point.

B. **Discussion of Draft Supposals** The committee broke into small groups to discuss the Supposal document. Each group verbally shared a summary of their findings with the committee. Notes of the small group discussions will be compiled.

V. Additional Public Comment

No additional public comments were made.

VI. Upcoming Agenda Review

The discussion of the Supposal document will continue at the Mar. 20 meeting. The Apr. 17 meeting will only be held if needed.

VII. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.