



Community Unit School District 308

SERVING ALL OR PARTS OF THE COMMUNITIES OF
AURORA, JOLIET, MONTGOMERY, OSWEGO, PLAINFIELD, AND YORKVILLE

Facilities and Planning Advisory Committee

District Administration Center – Door #1 – Room 53

4175 Route 71, Oswego, IL 60543

Wednesday, February 7, 2018

Meeting Minutes

I. Welcome – Dr. Sparlin

Dr. Sparlin expressed his gratitude to the committee for their time and involvement in the facility changes for the Transition Program and East View Academy. The teachers, parents, and especially the students are extremely pleased with the outcome of this facility change since the grand opening on January 8th. The work that comes from this committee is extremely helpful to administration and the board in making decisions for the district. He hopes for their continued efforts in the years to come.

II. Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 5:35 p.m. by Board of Education Vice President and Committee Co-Chair, Mrs. Lauri Doyle.

The attendance sheet was used in place of an official roll call.

Members in Attendance: Robert Allison, Mike Barr, Derrick Berlin, Douglas Pfeiffer, Allison Sulkson, Amy Underwood, Jennifer Smith, Heather Warner, Board Member Co-Chairs: Lauri Doyle and Mr. Asif Dada, Assistant Superintendent for Business & Operations

Guest in Attendance: Mrs. Jodi Ancel, Principal of Lakewood Creek Elementary

Members Absent:

Matt Bauman, Mindy Renier, and Russell Pietrowiak, Dan Wons, and Christine Jaegle

Recording Secretary: Carrie Szambelan

III. Approval of Minutes from May 23, 2017

A motion was made by Lauri Doyle to approve the minutes from the May 23, 2017 meeting. All members in attendance agreed unanimously to approve the minutes as presented.

IV. Lakewood Creek Parking Lot Presentation

Asif Dada displayed a PowerPoint presentation of Lakewood Creek's current parking lot situation and explained to the committee of the safety issues for the past few years. The purpose of this agenda item is to discuss this topic in depth with the Principal of Lakewood Creek and Administration, in order to implement a plan so we can achieve our goal of student's safety.

Jodi Ancel, the principal of Lakewood Creek expressed her concerns in keeping the students safe, the timing of getting students into school on cold, rainy days and to decrease the amount of time supervisors are assisting students into cars in frigid temps. She mentioned that Lakewood Creek is the largest of our elementary schools in the district with mostly walkers.

During the cold and rainy days, there is a lot of chaotic traffic to control. On these days, there are approximately 300 cars that drop off and pick up students. Some of the main issues are:

- Some parents park along the street and walk over to pick their children up
- Volunteers for crossing guard commitment is difficult
- Last year two students were hit by moving vehicles
- Teacher assistants are not in building on time when school starts @ 8:45am
- Parents get vulgar at each other & cut in line
- Staff is getting mistreated while trying to control traffic

Mrs. Ancel explained to the committee some of the actions that were done to alleviate some traffic issues:

- Sent out newsletters & emails explaining traffic procedures
- Staggered dismissal times by grade level
- Expanded sidewalk area
- Put blockades up in the parking lot & posted signs
- Police office is on site for assistance with traffic control
- Conducted a traffic study
- Instituted earlier breakfast time
- Arranged earlier supervision of students in the morning to start arrival sooner

According to the traffic study, Mrs. Doyle mentioned the best solution is to build this lot to hold 140 cars and get them off the road. However, she questioned if the parents are trainable and would be willing to cooperate if this plan were implemented. Mrs. Ancel responded by saying "yes" with the help of SD308 staff training in the beginning, she feels this plan can be implemented easily.

Mrs. Doyle brought up the question of the cost for this project. Mr. Dada stated initially the project cost was approximately \$330,000. However, we learned the soil in that area was not buildable. Mr. Barr added he ordered a soil boring test and it concluded that the area was unstructured to hold a parking lot. The area would need an additional \$140,000 in new soil, 3 feet in depth, to even start this project. There is no other area on this site that is

suitable for this additional staging area project. So the total approximate cost is \$485,000. Mr. Dada stated there are DSEB funds available at this time. However, there are decennial items on the list, so the committee would have to determine the priority of this project. This is only one engineers estimate. Mr. Barr mentioned this project we need to go out to bid.

Mrs. Smith added this seems like the best idea since the committee has explored other options in the past. She feels the main concern is student's safety. Mrs. Sulkson felt that Mrs. Ancel will communicate effectively with her parents to implement this new plan if this option is chosen.

The committee also brainstormed an idea to see if it would save money to build a smaller lot for staff parking on the south side of the building and use the current parking lot as the staging area. This idea was shared only to eliminate the soil cost. Mr. Barr mentioned he can order another soil boring test for the south side of the building. The committee agreed.

The recommendation from the committee is to get the soil tested on south side of building. If the soil boring test showed the same poor results, then the plan is to implement a bid in the spring and start this project in summer to be completed when school starts in August. The committee agreed if there is no significant savings and the main goal is student's safety, then this staging area lot is the best option to be presented to the Board at the next meeting.

V. Future Revenue Ideas for District Owned Property

The committee brainstormed a list of some future revenue generation ideas for 122 acres of SD property. Attached please find (Exhibit A).

VI. Public Comment

There were no individuals present for public comment

VII. Adjourn

Meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Next Meeting: TBD



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Facilities and Planning Advisory Committee February 7, 2018 meeting (Exhibit A)

V. Future Revenue Ideas for District Owned Property

1. Cross Country Track	26. Baseball Field
2. Cell Phone Tower	27. Nature Field
3. Windmill	28. Memory Center for Seniors
4. Athletic Event Building	29. Outdoor Education for Students
5. Airport	30. Recycling Center
6. Convention Center	31. Museum
7. Drone Field	32. Ice Hockey
8. Dog Park	33. Skate park
9. Zoo	34. Ski Slopes
10. Community Garden	35. Cemetery
11. Veggie Garden for Cafeteria	36. Equestrian Center
12. Concert Venue	37. Aquatic Center
13. Camp Ground/RV Park	38. Storage Center
14. Solar Farm	39. Golf/Driving Range/Mini Golf
15. Veterinary Program	40. Drive-In/Ice Cream Shoppe
16. Combine 2-3 on this list	41. Top Golf
17. Cross Country Ski	42. Theme Park
18. Fish Pond	43. Frisbee Golf
19. Chicago Bears Practice Field	44. Planetarium
20. Soccer Field	45. Expo Center
21. Car Race Track	46. Tech Business Center
22. Motorcycle Races	47. Community Facility/Graduation
23. Antique & Flea Market	48. Carnival
24. Hot Air Balloon Field	49. Police/Fire Training Facility
25. Team Building-Corporate Training	50. Turf Farm