## ADVISORY COUNCIL ON SCHOOL FACILITIES AND CAPITAL PROGRAMS

## MEETING MINUTES February 8, 2020 – 6:30 PM Microsoft Teams Virtual Meeting

<u>In Attendance</u>: Barbara Kanninen, John Chadwick, Jeff Chambers, Michael DePalma, Lisa Stengle, Sarah Johnson, Jonathan Turrisi, Mike Freda, Heather Carkuff Joson, Rosa Cheney, Cecilia Ciepiela-Kaelin, John (Chair) Giambalvo, David Goodman, Charles Goyette, Cynthia Hilton, Sally Hoekstra, Chandra Krohl, Steven Leutner, Colleen (Vice Chair) Pickford, Adam Rasmussen, Stacy Snyder, Greg Lloyd, Dede Curteman (BAC Liaison)

Non-FAC Attendee: Christina Headrick, Glebe Parent

- 1. Minutes for January 11, 2021 were approved.
- 2. Liaison Updates:

Steve Leutner Internal Review Committee -Projections: APS 2020 3-Year Enrollment Projections Report were posted and are worth taking a look at.

Cynthia asked if FAC submitted comments on the aquatic facility. The FAC did not.

- 3. Retirement: John Chadwick is retiring from APS at the end of February. John Giambalvo wished him good luck in retirement and thanked him for his work with the FAC. John C. has attended 10 years of FAC meetings and appreciates the different thoughts and viewpoints of FAC members. He appreciates the investment of committee members in the work of FAC. The work on facilities and by the FAC has definitely gotten more complicated over the years. Small construction projects can now be just as complicated as the larger ones. He hopes that the FAC and the SB can provide the space and support that the Career Center needs. Barbara Kanninen also shared her well wishes for John.
- 4. Capital Project Update: Jeff Chambers gave a detailed update on the various Capital Projects listed below. For more details, please refer to the PDF sent on February 8, 2021.
  - 2021 School Moves (ATS/Key/McKinley)
  - Career Center Arlington Tech
  - Education Center
  - Alice West Fleet ES
  - New ES at the Reed site
  - Hamm MS

- Sequoia Plaza II Syphax Bldg
- Transportation Staff Facility @ The Trades Center
- The Heights Bldg
- Gunston HVAC Project
- Randolph HVAC Project
- System-wide Solar Panel Installation
- Wakefield HVAC Project
- Moving 4 Relocatables from Science Focus to Wakefield
- 2021 CIP Planning Studies
- 5. Instructional Programs and Pathways (IPP) Discussion: Jonathan Turrisi updated the FAC on the process. He reviewed the purpose, goals, and framework of the IPP. Planning and framework will inform future planning and CIPs. Below are some suggestions from education leaders on various APS programs. If accepted by the SB and APS, these would be implemented no earlier than 2022-23.
  - Ed Center: it is projected that there will be excess seats until at least 2030. Perhaps one floor of the Ed Center could be used for a virtual learning program at the secondary level. Use of these excess seats could also provide enrollment relief. Staff will look at co-locating some of the smaller secondary programs.
  - Neighborhood schools: no specific recommendations. Core of APS. Community hubs for learning and bringing the community together.
  - EL programs: Consolidating or collocating secondary EL programs could help with aligning and strengthening the programs and better meeting the needs of students. There needs to be a visioning process first.
  - MS Seats: We need 500-600 more seats by 2024. One suggestion is making Montessori PreK-8 pull the MS Montessori Program from Gunston and combine it with the ES. This could also provide Gunston some enrollment relief.
  - Align programs with Geographic K-12 feeder schools to improve equity and access. More investigation needed.
  - Consider a virtual learning program, either full distance or hybrid.
  - Reopen the Arts and Communications Technology Program at Kenmore to a county-wide lottery. There are STEAM labs at Kenmore. This could also provide enrollment relief at Gunston and TJ.

Chip Goyette, Colleen Pickford, and Steve Leutner voiced their concern that these visioning processes tend to focus more on option programs than on strengthening neighborhood schools. Colleen also asked about how the IPP will affect the upcoming boundary process, especially in regard to MS. Adam Rasmussen asked for some clarification about a potential virtual secondary program – Jonathan emphasized that the details would be worked out next year if the SB and APS wish to pursue it. Steve Leutner asked about the possibility of creating a smaller MS program with the excess capacity at the Ed Center. It's unknown at this time whether APS and the community will have any access to the new, flashy buildings to be built by Amazon.

- 6. Certified Air Cleaning Devices (CACD): James Miekle not in attendance; John Chadwick presented. APS should have at least one per classroom by the time students return for hybrid instruction. There is community pressure to add more than one in some classrooms. Chip asked if FAC can and should take more of a role in this. Can FAC advocate for more CACDs where needed? Chip also asked, if some of our HVAC systems cannot be brought up to where they need to be (because of difficulty and cost), why wouldn't we purchase the CACDs that we need? This would be beneficial to students, families, teachers, and staff. Jeff Chambers believes the CACDs are a step in the right direction. Air quality is going to be an ongoing issue regardless of COVID CO2 being another air quality issue.
- 7. Capital Improvement Plan (CIP) Direction: John Chadwick presented. Bonds in fall referendum, Capital Reserve \$32M, The Superintendent's Budget Proposal will include various draws from reserves across the three-tiered reductions. The amount from reserves will range from 50%, 75% or 100% to offset the shortfall in the budget. On May 6<sup>th</sup> the Superintendent will present proposed FY 2022 4-6 year CIP, which will include plans to address the need for more seats (seats needed no later than 2024), facility enhancements at the Career Center, the Heights Bldg, needed upgrades for air quality (19 buildings), security (entrance vestibules)(7), and kitchens (8).