



BOARD OF DIRECTORS' SPECIAL MEETING
September 27, 2023

**Board
Members:**

Mari Taylor, President
Nina Hanson
David Iseminger
Vildan Kirby
Paul Lund
Ken D. Collins, Superintendent/Board Secretary

The Lake Stevens School District Board of Directors met in a Special Session at the Educational Service Center. A Zoom option was available for this meeting that President Taylor called to order at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Director Kirby was unable to attend. Director Lund attended via phone.

Executive Director of Operations Robb Stanton spoke about understanding the challenges, assets, and constraints as they move forward with the facilities planning. They have been talking to the Technical Committee for a long time. This is closing gaps and loops. In 2014-2015 they prioritized needs before they came up with solutions and now they are working on solutions to the needs that we have already identified. Director Stanton presented some concepts and reminded everyone the concepts were not real and they were not building these. He stated what they need to do is to solve the needs, permit them, and get the zoning done before they can say yes. Executive Director Stanton presented slides of Solution Concepts listing the highest needs for the district. He stated some schools have needs in all of these areas. Executive Director Stanton presented a graph showing the priority needs, what are the greatest, and where they are. He then presented information on the facility's age, how long since they have had improvement, and which schools might be eligible for state modernization.

Director Iseminger asked if they have buildings that are new or not eligible for state modernization and if they could leverage them for

example maintenance and grounds associated with the ESC. President Taylor asked if it was correct that Transitions is not eligible for state modernization. Executive Director Stanton stated yes, those are correct.

Director Iseminger stated that he does not want to have portables. Executive Director Stanton stated one of their goals is to remove portables. The portables that can't be removed at this time they would like to refigure them, bring them in to secure places out of public space, and add nice-looking fencing with an exit gate for emergencies. Director Stanton spoke about secure reception areas with card readers and a video doorbell for access. He said other safety, security, and health items are taking care of classrooms without doors and the heating, ventilation, and air conditioning in the buildings.

Executive Director Stanton spoke about needs and assets. Their needs are a new elementary school, modernization and expansion of Glenwood and Skyline, new alternative high school and learning center, additional middle school space, new transportation facility, new central kitchen, additional administration space, and new Maintenance/Grounds space. He talked about the property that they have, where it is located, and what could be built on it. He then talked about modernization solutions including classrooms, libraries, offices, student support spaces, and special education spaces. He explained new-in-lieu which works around the same spot, same site, or different site. Director Stanton asked what their thoughts were on a three-story building. President Taylor and Director Iseminger stated that was fine with them. Director Stanton gave several examples of what could be done at the different sites and reminded everyone that they wouldn't be able to meet all of their needs. Director Stanton presented several examples of capacity solutions and spoke about the central kitchen, transportation, maintenance, and grounds. Director Iseminger stated that LSMS needs attention and deserves it. He said during planning the building and renovating he wants everyone to feel like they are part of their community and doesn't want them to feel jilted or sidelined. He wants everyone to find themselves in this strategic plan. Superintendent Collins said he appreciated these comments and stated they have to ask how we best serve the students in this district. Executive Director of Operations Stanton said their mission is to make everything work. Executive Director Stanton and the Executive Director of Communications Jayme Taylor will be reviewing the Thoughtexchanges and the Community Advisory Committee will start meeting next week.

ADJOURNMENT

Immediately following, with no objections by the other directors,
President Taylor adjourned the Special Meeting at 6:24 p.m.

President

Secretary