



YAKIMA SCHOOL DISTRICT #7
Facilities Assessment Community Team - FACT Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, November 20, 2024
Yakima, Washington

Members present

Adrienne Garner, Amanda Voorhees, Annie Blake, Craig Smith, Joy Haughton, Julio Sanchez, Leslie Cornejo, Leslie Morris, Marisol Guizar, Megan McCormick, Robyn Harris, Rosita Barrera, Samantha Howell, Stacey Pietsch, Steve Brownlow, Rich Austin, Ruby Aguilar

Non Voting Members present

Jake Kuper, Kim Newell, Liz Gonzalez, Hector Mendez, Jennifer Hernandez

WELCOME & Introductions

Jake Kuper welcomed everyone to the FACT meeting and introduced new attendees.

Review of Quorum & Voting Decisions-

Jake reviewed rules for quorum, voting procedures, and the overall decision-making process.

Meeting Minutes: Steve Brownlow moved to approve the minutes from the October 23, 2024, meeting as amended. Samantha Howell seconded, and the motion was unanimously carried.

Review of Data Requested & Recap from 10.23.24

Jake reviewed and discussed the list of additional data requested from the committee. A list was provided. Which included the following questions:

1. **Q:** Any property & real estate that can be liquidated without having to close a school. **A:** Jake stated that at this time we do not have any properties that could be liquidated.
2. **Q:** Area maps to determine school locations and average distance traveled by families to get to their school. **A:** Liz will send out a link to the committee of the current boundary map that is used for students.
3. **Q:** Attendance for students who are transported to other schools. **A:** Jake had requested this data but had not received it.
4. **Q:** Birth rates for Yakima (actual #'s). **A:** Jake had requested this data but had not received it.
5. **Q:** CFAC summary to show why their choices were made and clarification on how debatable the findings are or recommendations were made. **A:** A CFAC Summary Proposal was provided to the committee.
6. **Q:** Middle/High School Level- How are we having middle/high school softball/fastpitch now? **A:** The cabinet has been looking at the Title 9 issues in regards to softball/fastpitch fields.

7. What other areas have we cut back on already in order to address our financial challenges?
8. What achievement outcomes have we not addressed?
9. What kind of tax revenue comes from school zones?
10. Why are some schools at capacity and others aren't?

Jake asked for the committee to get in groups and review the data that was provided including CFAC Summary Proposal, Levy and Bond Update (which included updated cost analysis reflecting inflation) provided by Cory Plager and determine if they approve the priority list that CFAC had proposed in their proposal.

Moving forward with CFAC recommendation

Jake reviewed the CFAC recommendation with the committee. After some discussion, Stacey Pietsch moved to reaffirm the Capital Facilities Proposal, Phase 1, Priority 1 and 2. Leslie Cornejo seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously.

NEXT STEPS

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ADJOURN

Meeting adjourned at 8:01 pm.

Next FACT Meeting: 12/11/2024, 6-8 p.m. In-Person at YSD PDC (101 S 6th Ave)