

Committee: Finance

Date and Time: August 27, 2025 at 6:00pm

Location: J.E. Hill Administrative Center; Board Room A

In attendance: Tamara Mitchell, Chair; Dr. Susan Harkin, Facilitator; Brad Jones, Charles Dan, Jason Orloff, Johanna Peterson, Kelly Farley, Mary Ramaowski, Shane Cary, Shawn Connolly, Svetlana Gayares, Thomas Weber, Joel Goodman, Abby Savidan, Liliana Gutierrez

Meeting overview

6:00 p.m. - 6:05 p.m. - The Finance Subcommittee met in Board Room A. The meeting started with a breakdown of the agenda by Tamara Mitchell and Dr. Susan Harkin.

6:05 p.m. - 6:15 p.m. - SDRP Phase 3 Decision-Making Overview:

- Determine school capacity
- Develop financial feasibility
- Recommend educational programming placement
- Develop 3-5 financial modeling scenarios
- Approve final scenario for implementation

Discussed remaining meeting tasks:

- 8/27 - Create shared weighted criteria
- 9/03 - Evaluate list of financial levers to incorporate in financial models
- 9/10 - Evaluate school and facilities closure data
- 9/17 - Utilize financial data to address structural deficit
- 9/24 - Integration and finalization

6:15 p.m. - 6:55 p.m. - Criteria-Setting Activity Worksheets:

Members were given worksheets to create 3-5 criteria to evaluate future modeling.

Worksheet A: Individual Reflection

Worksheet B: Small Group Consolidation - members broke into 4 groups to discuss commonality in their individual reflection

6:55 p.m. - 7:15 p.m. - Large Group Activity:

Members merged drafts into single sets

- Each group shared their theme
- Clustered themes
- Each table took 1-2 themes to develop label and definition for that label, including:
 - Equity
 - Community Trust
 - Student Impact
 - Outcomes (Academics)
 - Financial Sustainability
 - Feasibility
 - Benchmarking
 - Safety

Members will look at which labels and definitions are most important and have the most commonality.

7:15 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. - The Facilities subcommittee joined the discussion and explained the issues of closing middle schools. Possible issues were room size, classroom type, larger bathroom, etc. Members of the Financial subcommittee asked questions and discussed different scenarios regarding school closures for elementary and middle schools.

7:30 p.m. - 7:45p.m. - Master Facility Plan Data Review

- Data was discussed with the members
- Next steps were discussed and homework for the next meeting was given.

7:45 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. - Both Board room A and room B joined together and a high level overview was provided of what was discussed during the Facilities and Finance subcommittee meetings.

8:00 p.m. - Meeting adjourned.