

Meeting: Demographic Trends and Facility Planning Committee Meeting

Date: October 16, 2025

Time: 4:30p.m. – 6:00p.m. **Location:** Teams

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Angie Funk	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ashley O’Brien	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Caro Johnson*	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Joe Koller	<input type="checkbox"/> Kate Day
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Katie Sideri	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Margot Dahling	<input type="checkbox"/> Jeremy Traynor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ray French	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ryan Petrie
<input type="checkbox"/> Ryan Weichelt	<input type="checkbox"/> Yiliu Yang	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Non-Voting Resource Members				
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Kim Koller	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeff Nestor	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike Johnson	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

* Committee Chair

The regular meeting of the Demographic Trends and Facility Planning Committee was called to order by Caro Johnson at 4:33p.m. on October 16, 2025. Quorum was met.

Approval of Previous Minutes

- The minutes from September 18, 2025, were reviewed.
 - Ashley O'Brien made a motion to approve the September 18, 2025, Demo & Trends Committee minutes. The motion was seconded by Ray French. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Continue Elementary Discussion

- Reviewed the 2025-26 enrollment capacity spreadsheet and guiding principles. Committee members noted that declining enrollment is not unique to the District but is a statewide and national trend, largely attributed to lower birth rates.
- Summary of focus groups that looked at the preliminary options (Option 3B: Absorb Longfellow & Repurpose Flynn; Option 4: Absorb and/or Repurpose Flynn and Roosevelt) and provided feedback in the form of acknowledgements, questions, and challenges.

Questions and Discussion

- Committee members discussed transportation costs associated with reorganization options. Future recommendations should include an estimate for transportation.
- Committee members addressed questions and feedback regarding the Montessori program, clarifying that expansion is driven by charter renewal requirements and the need to meet diversity goals, not at the expense of standard public education.
- District has put out bid for a new population study.
- Committee members discussed the challenges of balancing equity and diversity when considering school closures and reassignments, particularly regarding the distribution of students from high-poverty and underrepresented backgrounds.
- Focus group alternative solutions were presented and discussed. The timeline will be extended to provide time to explore the option of repurposing Prairie Ridge.

Wrap-up Meeting

- Next meeting – November 20, 2025; in person at District office

Margot Dahling moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Katie Sideri. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.