

Meeting: Demographic Trends and Facility Planning Committee Meeting

Date: April 23, 2026

Time: 4:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m. **Location:** Conference Center Room 123C

☒ Angie Funk (joined at 4:37 p.m.)	☒ Ashley O'Brien (joined at 5:08 p.m.)	☒ Caro Johnson*	☐ Joe Koller	☐ Kate Day
☒ Katie Sideri	☐ Margot Dahling	☐ Jeremy Traynor	☒ Ray French	☒ Ryan Petrie
☒ Ryan Weichelt (left at 5:45 p.m.)	☒ Yiliu Yang (joined virtually)	☐	☐	☐
Non-Voting Resource Members				
☒ Kim Koller	☒ Jeff Nestor	☐ Mike Johnson	☐	☐

* Committee Chair

The regular meeting of the Demographic Trends and Facility Planning Committee was called to order by Caro Johnson at 4:34 p.m. on April 23, 2026. Quorum was met at 4:37 p.m.

Approval of Previous Minutes (done once quorum was met)

- The minutes from March 19, 2026, were reviewed.
 - Ray French made a motion to approve the March 19, 2026, Demo & Trends Committee minutes. The motion was seconded by Angie Funk. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Election of Committee Chair

- Caro Johnson made a motion to appoint Katie Sideri as Committee Chair. The motion was seconded by Angie Funk. Motion passed by unanimous voice vote.

Continue Elementary Discussion

- Projected Enrollment and Capacity Analysis:** Kim Koller led the committee through a detailed review of projected enrollment figures and classroom capacity for District elementary schools, highlighting trends, boundary changes, and the impact of special programs, with input from committee members.
- Montessori Program Expansion Planning:** The committee examined the District's charge to expand the Montessori program to a second location, reviewing timelines, enrollment and waitlist data, and discussing programmatic and facility needs.
- Evaluation of Potential Expansion Sites:** Kim Koller and Jeff Nestor presented detailed analyses of five candidate schools (Longfellow, Sam Davey, Locust Lane, Flynn, Northwoods) for Montessori expansion, considering capacity, transportation, enrollment demand, and facility constraints, with committee discussion on feasibility.
- Discussion of Boundary Changes and Additional Options:** Committee members discussed the potential for boundary changes to facilitate Montessori expansion, considering the impact on Lakeshore and other schools, and the frequency and implications of such changes. Members discussed the importance of minimizing disruption to communities and ensuring that any changes, especially at Lakeshore, would not negatively impact families' choices or school cohesion.

Updates and Next Steps

- The committee agreed to focus further analysis on Flynn, Northwoods, Sam Davey, and possibly Lakeshore, with plans to gather more data on transportation, facility needs, and community support before making final recommendations.

Wrap-up Meeting

- Next meeting scheduled for May 28, 2026.

Caro Johnson moved to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Ashley O'Brien. All were in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:04 p.m.