

Operations Committee

Minutes

November 2, 2021

5:00 - 6:00pm

The Forum, Mt. Blue Campus

Members: Doug Dunlap, Scott Erb, **Cherieann Harrison**, Gloria McGraw, Josh Robbins

Members Absent:

Other Board Members Present: Chair Coles, Kirk Doyle (arrived at 5:15 pm)

Staff: Chris Elkington, Laura Columbia, Monique Poulin, Bill Greenlaw

1. Call meeting to order - Harrison
 - a. 5:05 pm
2. Review [approved minutes](#) from the last meeting - Harrison
 - a. No questions were heard.
3. Building Visit Review - Harrison
 - a. Particular needs/issues board members collected:
 - i. MBC
 1. FTC
 2. MBHS
 - ii. Mallett
 - iii. MBMS
 - iv. Bus garage

Some members have already sent in thoughts to add. No further points of discussion were shared.
 - b. Other?
 - i. Future site visits, potentially in December.
Please get back to Chair Harrison.
4. Strategic Planning Update - Harrison
 - a. These have been meeting frequently this Fall, with planning. At the previous meeting, they identified different stakeholders (37) and created plans for reaching out to each group.
 - b. We will be meeting tomorrow, 11/3, to finalize our efforts in getting feedback from stakeholders.
 - c. Surveys will be sent out shortly to gather staff feedback and input.
5. Operations Committee priorities for the development of 10 yr plan or to move forward to the strategic planning committee - Harrison
 - a. Planning

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- i. Short-term: Projects that were unable to be fulfilled last year and this year, to also include those that were and were not budgeted for or unable to be accomplished in 20/21 and 21/22.
 - ii. Long-term: This will be a larger discussion to be had.
 - b. Each school will also be providing long-term planning with staff feedback. Superintendent has already started to receive these. Due at the end of next week.
 - c. Looking at the long-term planning, ensure we are including student enrollment estimates, possible new configurations of our current offerings.
 - i. To include the temporary classroom space we have been adding (portables)
 - ii. Where are we investing our funds for the long-term planning, programs offered, technology, etc.
6. What is the process and timeframe for cost savings going from oil to wood? What is the plan for buying fuel oil or Wood Pellets? - Greenlaw
 - a. Some of the heating services are specific due to the temperature outside, and wood pellets are more efficient for heating and so that is when we usually change.
 - b. Questions were heard about moving towards a heat pump system.
7. Mallett Transportation Study - Greenlaw
 - a. Funding will come from where
Already budgeted.
 - b. RFP to put out
Bill Greenlaw contacted the company that was previously used.
 - c. Discussion was heard regarding including staff members to gather input and thoughts, which Greenlaw agreed was important.
8. Solar Array Update - Elkington
 - a. 3 years ago we bought into this project w/Revision Energy
 - i. RSU 9 has been invited to the grand opening ceremony in March.
 - ii. Our logo will be used as a contributor for the project start-up.
 - b. What is the update? Have energy saving started?
 - i. The project has not started up yet.
9. Future Agenda Items
 - a. MBC Building Needs
 - i. Proposal ideas
 - b. ESSER Funded programs affected
 - c. Short or Long-range Program needs
 - d. School layouts with outside structures