

Joint Assembly School Board Facility Planning Committee
DRAFT MINUTES – REGULAR MEETING
Zoom Webinar
January 13, 2022

I. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 12:10 PM.

Members Present: Chair Greg Smith, Brian Holst, Elizabeth Siddon, Emil Mackey, Wade Bryson, and Mayor Weldon, Ms. Triem was unable to attend. Also in attendance, Amber Frommherz-School Board and Alicja Hughes-Skandijs-Assembly.

City & Borough of Juneau Staff Members Present: Katie Koester, Robert Barr, Janet Sanbei, Rorie Watt, Jeanne Rynne, Beth McEwen, Jeff Rogers, and Robert Palmer.

School District Staff Members Present: Cassee Olin.

II. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTION ROLL CALL

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

No objection, Agenda approved.

IV. ITEMS FOR ACTION

None.

V. INFORMATION ITEMS

A. Roles and Responsibilities: Charter Review (13.8 & 13.9)

Katie Koester gave a brief introduction to the responsibilities and goals of the Committee. She stated the Committee is currently involved in meeting goals of the Committee through their own responsibilities within their organizations.

Mayor Weldon gave her reasons for being sure this Committee meets at this time, prior to establishing the City Budget. She wants to be sure the maintenance needs of the school district are included within the budget. She stated she is trying to make sure the two entities come together regarding deferred maintenance needs. All members need to be aware of the requirements prior to the Assembly starting the budget process.

There was discussion regarding school bond maintenance and funding. The Committee further discussed the list of deferred maintenance projects and the process for getting them on the deferred maintenance list. There seems to be a mismatch as to the number of projects needing to be completed, and the amount of funding that is received in order to complete projects.

B. Status of Bond Funded Roof Projects

Ms. Koester gave a brief update as to the Gastineau School Roof. She stated Riverbend was awarded earlier in the week at \$2.3M. The cost estimate DZ Roof above the original cost estimate established 2 years ago but is consistent with projects of similar scope. This price has eaten into the \$5M bond available. Dzantik'i Heeni (DZ) needs an additional \$1.3M in order to go forward with the bid. This estimate price has been discussed with City administration and they desire to move forward with bidding this project. This request will be going to the Assembly at the February Finance Committee Meeting.

Discussion included questions to the actual total costs of the Riverbend and DZ projects.

C. Review Deferred Maintenance List

Ms. Koester stated she would like to inform the Committee of the Deferred Maintenance needs of the School District. She turned the presentation over to Ms. Olin, Director of Administrative Services for the School District.

Ms. Olin gave the Committee a brief explanation of the smaller maintenance projects. She stated these are the smaller projects which are listed in a needs order, based upon the \$1M allotted to the School District each year. The small project needs within the district actually total more than \$34M in Deferred Maintenance needs.

Discussion regarding how the \$1M yearly amount has been spent to this point. It was stated that maintenance of buildings is difficult to keep up with, and the district is currently adding more to the list than is actually being repaired. The buildings are aging, but the funds available to repair buildings and facilities is limited and repairs are added to the list per the most needed project. What is really missing from this financing is the State's reimbursement portion.

D. Major Maintenance and Renovation

Ms. Koester explained she wanted to bring to light the importance of major maintenance projects. The two projects listed below are on the Legislative Priority List.

- Marie Drake School
- Mendenhall River Elementary School

Ms. Olin gave a brief explanation to the renovations required at these buildings.

Mayor Weldon asked that we meet again and discuss these projects at the next meeting. She feels these are a bigger discussion.

VI. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None.

VII. FUTURE MEETING DATES

The chair will work with the Committee and the Clerk's Office to come up with a future date for the next meeting.

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:03 PM.