



BLUE VALLEY SCHOOLS

Education Beyond Expectations

Facility Planning Committee

Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 5, 2023

5:30 – 7:00 p.m.

The meeting began at 5:30 p.m. with a welcome from Deputy Superintendent Kyle Hayden.

Patron members present: John Chambers, Robbin Dunbar, Ryan Carhart, Travis Barta, Paul Taylor, Erika Sheets, Matt Schmitt

Patron members absent: Carrie Williams, Kevin Nunnally, Syed Hammad Hussain

Board of Education members present: Jan Kessinger, Kaety Bowers, Tom Mitchell

Staff members present: Erik Pollom, Jake Slobodnik, Kaci Brutto, Kyle Hayden, Jason Gillam

Staff members absent: Shelly Nielson

Kyle Hayden reviewed the Board of Education goal for 2022-23 of “Blue Valley Schools will evaluate school boundaries and develop a plan to address elementary school enrollment and building capacity issues.”

The committee reviewed the information presented at the March 1 meeting including:

- Schools recommended for discussion
- Tools for enrollment adjustments

Kyle Hayden presented possible solutions for schools with enrollment concerns. Enrollment issues at the following schools can be solved with tools that do not include boundary adjustments:

- Aubry Bend Middle - construction of new Middle School #11 (Bond 2023 plan)
- Oxford Middle - reclaimed special education program space

- Leawood Elementary - construction of new classroom addition (Bond 2023 plan)
- Mission Trail Elementary - reclaimed special education program space

The committee determined that the following schools are in need of a boundary adjustment to reduce student enrollment:

- Overland Trail Elementary
 - Student movement to Prairie Star and Harmony Elementary
- Valley Park Elementary
 - Student movement to Indian Valley and Overland Trail Elementary
- Harmony Elementary
 - Student movement to Heartland Elementary

The adjustment for these schools would decrease enrollment below 600, according to the 5 year projection model, thus keeping them within their respective capacity levels and allowing them to optimally function while still maximizing the use of available space.

The committee members reviewed detailed maps with specific discussions on neighborhoods, streets and school traffic routes. The committee came to a consensus agreement on the proposed solutions.

The next steps and a tentative schedule were reviewed with the committee including a planned presentation to the Board of Education on Monday, April 10, with community meetings to follow.

No future meetings are scheduled for the Facility Planning Committee for the 2023-24 school year unless a need arises after community meetings are held.