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Long Range Facilities Planning Committee Finalizes Recommendations for the Board

Monona, WI - The Monona Grove Long Range Facilities Planning Committee (LRFP Committee) has been working to summarize their findings and analyze District needs as they approach the final stage of Phase I of the facilities assessment process. Throughout this process, the committee has explored five categories: Building Capacity and Utilization, Grade Level Configurations, Athletics and Co-Curriculars, Capital Maintenance, and District Owned Property. Concerns and suggestions were voiced by members of the committee throughout the past several months, and their ideas have shaped the recommendations that will ultimately be given to the Board.

During Tuesday night's meeting, the LRFP committee finalized the Districtwide Facilities Study and their presentation to the Board. The Districtwide Facilities Study was prepared by consultants, Eppstein Uhen Architects and CG Schmidt Construction, following extensive exploration of each school in the District. The committee provided their own feedback and input on the study at Tuesday's meeting. The purpose of this long-range facility planning process is to help best position the District for the future. As a result, the LRFP committee has dedicated time and effort to fully exploring all aspects of the District and its facilities. They have toured facilities, assessed building capacity and utilization, evaluated building conditions and systems, and studied predicted future growth for the District. "All of our work has been completed to ensure the District is able to advance to Phase II of the Facility Planning process with the best-suited recommendations. It was a central focus for the committee to be thorough and discuss every detail during this process," commented Susan Fox, LRFP Committee member.

Final recommendations to the Board of Education will be made in each of the five categories and two additional recommendations regarding the overall approach to facility planning will also be proposed. The Long Range Facilities Planning Committee will present their final findings for approval from the Board of Education on June 24, 2015. Following approval, the Districtwide Facility Study will be available on the District website. For more information regarding the facility planning process, please visit www.mononagrove.org.

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