

# OAKRIDGE MASTER FACILITY PLAN

## STEERING COMMITTEE MINUTES

November 9, 2015

### Attending:

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|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| 1. Tom Livezey      | 2. Mandi Barber      | 3. Amy Cribbins    |
| 4. Melissa Anderson | 5. Shanda Willea     | 6. Chevonne Grimm  |
| 7. Melanie Wymer    | 8. Laurita Humphrey  | 9. Nancy Hamlin    |
| 10. Joey Bennink    | 11. Ann Morgan       | 12. Cheryl Masar   |
| 13. Cory Schullo    | 14. Mike VanKampen   | 15. Todd Lowry     |
| 16. Troy Moran      | 17. Ryun Landheer    | 18. Jeff Kartes    |
| 19. Troy Ruel       | 20. Sterling Weaver  | 21. Mike Johnston  |
| 22. Bradley Jones   | 23. Sarah Williamson | 24. Tim Parker     |
| 25. Jason McVoy     | 26. Chad Latsch      | 27. Bernie Carlson |

### Also attending:

TowerPinkster – Steve Hoekzema

OAK rep – Josh Szymanski

### GROUP #1 Comments:

1. Space is first priority
2. Infrastructure
3. Security

Timing—waiting to solve facility issues will cost more money. The systems are wearing out.

How much money would a bond generate in 2017?

### GROUP #2 Comments:

1. Secure entrance—deterrent is the top priority.
2. Space needs and mechanical issues are tied for second priority.  
More classrooms will require more mechanical system upgrades.  
Don't spend more money on Carr School!  
Work with what we have now  
Lower Elementary has our largest number of students and is the only building without a gym separate from its cafeteria. OLE needs a multi-purpose room.  
Where would we educate our kids if we did a major renovation?

### **GROUP #3 Comments:**

1. All three pieces are equal priority: security, space/capacity, mechanical/HVAC
2. We need to “Go big or go home”. This may take more than one election. Make sure the ‘ask’ is for less than 5 additional mills.
3. This will be tough to pass due to apathy in community

### **GROUP #4 Comments:**

1. Security is a top priority issue at Middle School, especially at passing time.
2. Mechanical issues are second priority. These expenses are impacting the general fund and the comfort of our classrooms.
3. Capacity is also important but third priority. Should we explore portables as an option? This could help explain the capacity need to the community.
4. We can’t continue the status quo.
5. We need to explain clearly to the community.
6. Community always supports our kids.
7. Would like to see options on security at the Middle School
8. Community pride—we need something to show for the dollars spent
9. We need to move out of Carr—community will understand that it is falling apart.
10. If we vacate Carr, we must find space for Senior Citizens. They are integral part of school and community.
11. Local church has offered to host classrooms & gym during the week if needed.
12. An auxiliary multipurpose room (gym) is needed at the Lower Elementary

### **Notes from Steve Hoekzema (architect):**

- Oakridge Head Start students are currently at Orchard View
- A comment was made to build an early childhood center
- Moving 6<sup>th</sup> grade to the middle school campus was not popular with the community
- Oakridge has the lowest taxable value per pupil in the county.
- Would like to compare what one mill generates in neighboring school districts.
- Can we sell the Carr site? The school district has asked for an appraisal.
- If we do a Buzzer system at the middle school? Need video too.
- Sale of 100 acre site. Where did the land come from and why was it purchased/donated? Answer is unknown.
- A builder has approached the district with interest in purchasing 100 acres of district unoccupied property to construct new homes in the school district.
- Middle School Secure Entry costs \$10,000 to \$450,000 pending on project.
- Is there evidence on how well different security systems work?

- Create revenue scenarios for consideration
- Review all revenue options
  - QZAB, Sinking Funds, Bond, Energy Bonds
- How are buildings secured now? Key card door access system controls on a clock. They lock automatically. Perhaps the middle school could have cross-corridor doors that would open during passing time?

Next Meeting: December 9 @ 6-8pm