Columbia Public Schools  
Long Range Facilities Planning Committee  
Meeting Minutes  
August 28, 2018  
4:30 p.m.  
1818 West Worley St.

Mr. Jonathan Sessions, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:37 p.m.

Present: Jonathan Sessions, LRFC Chair; Randy Gooch, Chief Operations Officer; Heather McArthur, Interim Chief Financial Officer; Charles Oestreicht, Director of Facilities and Construction Services; Jim Cherrington, Director of Business Services; John White, Director of Safety and Security; Chris Davis, PW Architects; Brad Frasier, City of Columbia Fire Department; Jan Mees, Board of Education President

The minutes from the February 8, 2018 meeting were approved.

Agenda was approved as presented.

The committee was presented with a slide show of projects that were completed during the summer. Some of the projects discussed were the completion of the new Cedar Ridge Elementary, the addition to Grant Elementary, the ongoing sitework at the Southwest Middle School, Parkade and Russell HVAC Energy Recovery Unit installation, multiple kitchen epoxy flooring projects, multiple flooring replacement projects, Field fire escape, other miscellaneous projects and the removal of 17 mobile classrooms.

Mobile classrooms were removed at 5 locations: (Old) Cedar Ridge – 7; Derby Ridge – 2; Grant – 4; Smithton – 2; and Two Mile Prairie - 2. There are 40 remaining mobile classrooms in the district; 17 at elementary schools and 23 at middle schools.

Mr. Davis, updated the committee on the Locust Street Elementary addition project. The design is in the development stage and is on schedule for a June 2019 board approval and June 2021 completion.

Mr. Davis, also shared with the committee members a Project Gannt Chart showing the progress of ongoing projects and the timeline for upcoming projects.

Mr. Gooch, shared with the committee that there has been a significant increase in student enrollment and the district has a need to redraw district boundaries. The district has provided demographic and GIS information to an outside contractor who will review the information and bring their recommendation to the board in October.

The administrative cabinet meet and developed a draft document of Attendance Area Guiding Principles which Mr. Gooch provided to the committee members to review. A suggestion was made to include wording about the opening of the new middle school and future schools. Mr. Gooch and Mrs. McArthur said they would share the suggestion with the cabinet as they continue their work on the guidelines.
Mrs. McArthur shared with the committee that the district must make public notification of any boundary changes in October for the following school year.

Open items that were discussed: Rock Bridge Elementary annexation progress; Crockett Engineering is working on the platting.

Long term viability of Benton and Ridgeway and the district’s priority to allocate a large amount of funds for the repairs and additions or would it be more beneficial to build a new elementary that could house both programs behind the current Ridgeway. Both locations are landlocked, not ADA accessible, do not have ample parking and have water infiltration. Just to get the buildings water tight would be close to $1.4M each. Additional board discussion on how to move forward would need to be next step.

The Long Range Facilities Committee will meet jointly with the Finance Committee – November 7, 2018; February 6, 2019; and April 3, 2019 at 4:30 p.m. at 1818 West Worley St.

The committee adjourned at 5:26 p.m.