

SD83 LRFP – Summary of Consultation

FEBRUARY 19, 2019 – REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Secretary-Treasurer Cameron reviewed the briefing note she provided to the Board for information noting the importance of a Long Range Facilities Plan for proper facility planning, capacity issues, and risk management.

Motion 024/2019: *That the Board of Education approve expenditures of up to \$35,000 from Local Capital Reserve funds to develop a Long Range Facilities Plan as detailed.*

JUNE 18, 2019 – REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Secretary-Treasurer Cameron provided the Board with an update on the progress of the LRFP noting that various district information has been provided to the consultant who will be in district doing site visits in July. It is expected that the initial draft will come to the Board in September.

SEPTEMBER 17, 2019 – REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Secretary-Treasurer Cameron provided an update on the historical and anticipated timeline of the LRFP:

- *Spring 2019* – LRFP was initiated and Board met with LRFP consultant
- *May-August* – gathering of District and facility information, data, and enrolment statistics/estimates
- *July* – consultant visited District sites
- *Late August* – consultant presented and reviewed initial draft with Senior Leadership
- *Late September* – consultant to present and review initial draft with Trustees at a Trustee Ed. Session to establish possible options
- *October* - initial draft presented at Regular Board Meeting
- *November* – public consultation
- *December* – discuss feedback, consider last amendments, and draft final plan
- *January* – Board approval of LRFP at Regular Board Meeting

SEPTEMBER 25, 2019 – TRUSTEE ED. SESSION

Consultant met with Trustees and Senior Leadership at the SD83 District Education Support Centre to present and review the initial LRFP draft.

OCTOBER 8, 2019 – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

The committee reviewed the LRFP options and discussion ensued on bringing schools up to acceptable condition levels and bringing these concerns to the Ministry of Education's Capital Management Branch, 'Effective Capacity' vs 'Operating Capacity', impact of teacher collective agreement negotiations on the LRFP, District philosophy around grade configurations, how the LRFP supports capital requests, concerns about rushing the report, and use of magnet programs to draw students from urban areas to rural areas to assist with capacity issues. The committee requested that the consultant make the following changes to the LRFP options:

- Option B-2 and B-3 – add information to note how each of the options would affect Falkland Elementary
- Strikethrough Option C-1 and add new Option C-3 to consider K-5 elementary schools and A.L. Fortune Secondary accommodating a middle school program (6-8) and a secondary program (9-12)
- Option D-1 - strikethrough Note 5 regarding disposal of Malakwa Elementary
- Add new Option D-2 to assess the effect of changing Sorrento Elementary to a K-6 or K-7 school
- Option E-1 – change Note 3 to ‘Consideration of reverting South Canoe Elementary to K-5, feeding Shuswap Middle’
- Options E-2, E-3, E-4 – clarify the impact of the proposed changes on the outlying elementary-middle feeder schools
- Option F-2 – change wording to ‘Provide more elementary space in Salmon Arm by additions or a new school’ to consider expansion projects at other schools
- Add Option F-4 - recommending a strategic maintenance plan to upgrade poor condition schools.

The revised draft of the Long Range Facilities Plan will be presented for approval in draft form at the October Regular Board Meeting.

The committee discussed the public consultation process of the Long Range Facilities Plan and made the following suggestions:

- public meetings in each zone with options to consider
- accepting written submissions and distributing surveys to collect feedback
- separate consultations with each employee/partner group
- recording/livestream of public consultation meetings
- using Partner Group Liaison as a venue to discuss the LRFP with partner groups.

The committee indicated that they would request staff to prepare a draft process and timeline as well as a draft survey, following the Board’s adoption of the draft LRFP.

OCTOBER 15, 2019 – REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Secretary-Treasurer Cameron introduced LRFP consultant, Bill Low, who presented a PowerPoint slideshow outlining what a LRFP is and its components, a review of the draft LRFP and preliminary options, and next steps. Discussion ensued on capacity, conditions of facilities and a strategic maintenance plan, and the possibility of adding new options as a result of public consultation.

Motion 103/2019: *That the Board of Education adopt the DRAFT 2020-2029 Long Range Facilities Plan, as attached.*

The Board discussed the following options regarding the LRFP public consultation plan:

- regional meetings in each of the four zones as well as a staff only meeting
- accepting written submissions and use of surveys
- engaging Partner Group representatives at Partner Group Liaison
- using Committee of the Whole as a venue to discuss the feedback and information gathered
- meeting with the Senior Leadership Team after consultation and information gathering.

Staff agreed to bring a draft consultation plan to the Board next month.

The Board discussed grade configurations and the effects of changing configurations. Superintendent Jory reported that he has uploaded articles and research papers on configurations and transitions to the Trustee SharePoint to provide background information. The Board noted that the public consultation discussion and surveys should include an opportunity for feedback around grade configuration changes.

NOVEMBER 19, 2019 – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Superintendent Jory presented the proposed timeline noting that regional districts are to be included in the consultation, possibly in conjunction with the Council meetings, and that staff are open to any requested changes. The committee discussed ensuring that public is clearly aware that their proposed options will be considered by the Board, online survey submissions completed anonymously, advertising process and options, and logistics of possibly using technology for teleconferencing.

NOVEMBER 19, 2019 – REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Superintendent Jory presented the LRFP consultation timeline and Trustees discussed various changes to the timeline, advertising, concerns regarding the state of current facilities, and the development of a strategic maintenance plan which will be presented to the Board once it is complete. The Board requested the following changes to the consultation plan:

- push back the online survey to February
- have surveys be taken anonymously
- create a student specific survey
- move **b** and **c** to the end of the timeline.

Motion 125/2019: That the Board of Education approve the Long Range Facilities Plan Consultation Timeline as amended.

NOVEMBER 20, 2019 – FIRST NATIONS EDUCATION COUNCIL MEETING

Consultation with FNEC at the District Education Support Centre.

NOVEMBER 21, 2019 – PARTNER GROUP LIAISON MEETING

LRFP consultation plan was presented and discussed.

DECEMBER 17, 2019 – REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Superintendent Jory provided a review of the briefing note and sample posters provided in the agenda relating to the LRFP consultation. The Board requested that it be communicated more clearly to the public that other options will be considered and that an update on the Facilities Maintenance Plan be provided at the January Board Meeting. The Board also agreed that there should be at least a minimum of two Trustees at each LRFP consultation meeting.

Motion 134/2019: That the Board of Education approve the 2020 Long Term Facilities Plan Consultation – DRAFT AGENDA as amended.

JANUARY 6, 2020 – OPENING OF EMAIL SUBMISSIONS RE: LRFPP INPUT

JANUARY 7, 2020 – ENDERBY & GRINDROD PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Consultation with Mayor and Council/Admin at Enderby City Hall from 2:00-3:00pm.

Consultation with Grindrod and Enderby staff at Grindrod Elementary from 3:30-5:00pm.

Consultation with Grindrod and Enderby public at Grindrod Elementary from 6:00-7:30pm.

JANUARY 16, 2020 – SICAMOUS PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Consultation with Mayor and Council/Admin at Sicamous Council Chambers from 1:00-2:00pm.

Consultation with Sicamous staff at Eagle River Secondary from 3:45-5:15pm.

Consultation with Sicamous public at Eagle River Secondary from 6:00-7:30pm.

JANUARY 27, 2020 – ARMSTRONG & FALKLAND PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Consultation with Armstrong and Falkland staff at Pleasant Valley Secondary from 3:45-5:15pm.

Consultation with Armstrong and Falkland public at Pleasant Valley Secondary from 6:30-7:30pm.

JANUARY 28, 2020 – COLUMBIA SHUSWAP REGIONAL DISTRICT & CITY OF ARMSTRONG CONSULTATION

Consultation with CSRD Board of Directors/Admin at the CSRD offices from 1:30-2:30pm.

Consultation with Mayor and Council/Admin at Armstrong City Hall from 4:00-5:00pm.

JANUARY 30, 2020 – PARTNER GROUP LIAISON MEETING

Discussion on the Long Range Facilities Plan and consultation.

FEBRUARY 4, 2020 – SALMON ARM (RURAL K-8) PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Consultation with Salmon Arm rural staff at Rancho Elementary from 3:30-5:00pm.

Consultation with Salmon Arm rural public at Rancho Elementary from 6:00-7:30pm.

FEBRUARY 10, 2020 – SALMON ARM (URBAN K-5) STAFF CONSULTATION

Consultation with Salmon Arm urban K-5 staff at South Broadview Elementary from 3:45-5:15pm.

FEBRUARY 11, 2020 – SALMON ARM (URBAN) STAFF CONSULTATION

Consultation with Salmon Arm urban middle school staff at Shuswap Middle from 2:45-4:00pm.

Consultation with Salmon Arm Jackson school staff at SA Secondary - Jackson from 4:00-5:30pm.

FEBRUARY 13, 2020 – SALMON ARM (URBAN) PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Consultation with Salmon Arm Sullivan school staff at SA Secondary - Sullivan from 3:30-5:00pm.

Consultation with Salmon Arm urban public at the District Education Support Centre from 6:00-7:30pm.

FEBRUARY 18, 2020 – SHUSWAP MIDDLE STUDENT CONSULTATION

Consultation with students at Shuswap Middle School.

FEBRUARY 18, 2020 – REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Board reflected on the LRFP consultation sessions and some of the feedback received to date. The Board also noted that there will be a Committee of the Whole meeting on March 4th at 4:15pm for further discussion and reflections on the LRFP.

Motion 022/2020: *That the Board of Education remove Option C-3 from the Long Range Facilities Plan Draft.*

Motion 023/2020: *That the Board of Education request the Superintendent prepare a report on current learning opportunities and school culture at A.L. Fortune and Eagle River Secondaries, with a focus on Grades 7 and 8, to include, but not be limited to: timetables, campus supervision, staffing, facilities and equipment, program of choice, and resources.*

Further that, the Superintendent include any recommendations for enhancing student learning opportunities and school culture for 7-12 schools.

NOSTA Acting President Graham Gomme, Past President and Committee Chair Brenda O'Dell, and teachers Justine Gatrell, Colin Macdonald, and George Richard presented the Board with a report on NOSTA's recommendations for each zone regarding the Board's Long Range Facilities Plan as well as the rational and outcomes for each recommendation.

FEBRUARY 19, 2020 – REGIONAL DISTRICT OF NORTH OKANAGAN CONSULTATION

Consultation with RDNO Board of Directors/Admin at RDNO offices from 4:00-4:30pm.

FEBRUARY 24, 2020 – SA SECONDARY – JACKSON STUDENT CONSULTATION

Consultation with students at SA Secondary – Jackson.

FEBRUARY 24, 2020 – SA SECONDARY – SULLIVAN STUDENT CONSULTATION

Consultation with students at SA Secondary – Sullivan.

FEBRUARY 27, 2020 – OPENING OF LRFP ONLINE PUBLIC SURVEY

FEBRUARY 27, 2020 – PARTNER GROUP LIAISON MEETING

Update provided on the LRFP consultation process.

MARCH 2, 2020 – CITY OF SALMON ARM PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Consultation with Mayor and Council/Admin at Salmon Arm City Hall from 9:30-11:00am.

MARCH 4, 2020 – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

The committee discussed various topics regarding the Long Range Facilities Plan such as clarification of School District owned and leased property in Armstrong, Ministry presentation, communication methods (email vs. text messages), inquiry on rough costing estimates for various scenarios (adding a wing to Sullivan, Sorrento high school, Option E-4 impact to North Shuswap and other rural feeder schools), Downtown Activity Centre lease, local capital fund, and the child care space funding announcement. The committee

agreed to forward this matter to the March Regular Board meeting to determine the next steps in the Long Range Facilities Plan process.

MARCH 5, 2020 – PRINCIPALS/VICE PRINCIPALS CONSULTATION

Consultation with SD83 Principals/Vice Principals at the District Education Support Centre from 6:00-7:30pm.

MARCH 9, 2020 – TOWNSHIP OF SPALLUMCHEEN CONSULTATION

Consultation with Mayor and Council/Admin at Township Chambers from 10:00-11:00am.

MARCH 10, 2020 – REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Motion 035/2020: *That the Board of Education extend the Long Range Facilities Plan survey closure date to March 16th, 2020.*

The Board discussed removing options from the draft LRFP based on feedback received through the consultation process but agreed to wait until after the consultation meetings were done and the survey period is closed.

MARCH 11, 2020 – SORRENTO, CARLIN & NORTH SHUSWAP PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Consultation with Sorrento, Carlin & North Shuswap staff at Sorrento Elementary from 3:45-5:15pm.

Consultation with Sorrento, Carlin & North Shuswap public at Sorrento Elementary from 6:00-7:30pm.

MARCH 16, 2020 – CLOSING OF LRFP ONLINE PUBLIC SURVEY

APRIL 8, 2020 – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

The committee discussed the Long Range Facilities Plan and asked the Senior Leadership Team to provide their feedback/recommendations on the options as well as costing estimates on the options. The committee also discussed the possible impacts of the COVID-19 situation on the Long Range Facilities Plan and agreed to bring this item forward to the April Regular Board meeting.

APRIL 21, 2020 – REGULAR BOARD MEETING

The Board discussed the LRFP options in each zone in length and shared their thoughts and opinions on the various zones based on the information gathered through the LRFP process. The Board decided to schedule a Committee of the Whole meeting in May for further discussion on narrowing down the options.

MAY 4, 2020 – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Superintendent Jory presented the LRFP costing spreadsheets in the agenda to the committee and noted that due to the COVID-19 pandemic and the resulting economic situation, going forward, there would likely be reductions in Ministry funding for new capital. He reviewed the modelling rationales for the costing spreadsheets and proceeded to review each of the options and senior leadership recommendations for each area.

- Armstrong Zone – senior leadership supported Option B-4 (*Change Armstrong Zone to K-4, 5-7, and 8-12*) noting that this option has the support of the community based on the feedback received and there will not be a need for portables in the foreseeable future.
- Enderby Zone – senior leadership supported Option A (*Status Quo*) but noted that a plan should

be developed for moving all Grade 7s to A.L Fortune in case space pressures continue and moving the Grade 7s from Grindrod needs to be revisited in the future.

- Salmon Arm Zone – senior leadership proposed a new Option (*Change Salmon Arm urban schools K-5, one middle 6-8, and two secondaries 9-12*) as the more popular options (E-3 & E-4) would have a substantial upfront cost for portables (E-3: est. \$2.75 million & E-4: est. \$5 million) and are not an efficient use of space.

The committee discussed the senior leadership recommendations as well as future larger capital possibilities such as a downtown elementary school in Salmon Arm, high school in Sorrento, and an addition for Sullivan. They agreed with the Armstrong Zone and Enderby Zone recommendations and noted the new Salmon Arm Zone option should be added to the LRFP; however, more consultation would be needed to communicate out the new option before a decision in the Salmon Arm area can be made. The committee also agreed to not proceed with the disposal of the Gateway building for now. The committee requested that staff draft motions for the discussed changes to the LRFP draft for the May Regular Board meeting.

MAY 19, 2020 - REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Superintendent Jory reviewed each of the proposed recommendations noted in the agenda in turn, and Trustees shared their thoughts on each. The Board discussed removing options from the Salmon Arm Zone as well as having additional public consultation on the Salmon Arm Zone to receive feedback on the new option, E-5. The Board agreed to schedule a Committee of the Whole meeting in June to discuss further consultation and next steps.

Motion 056/2020: That the Board of Education add Option B-4 (Change Armstrong Zone to K-4, 5-7, and 8-12) into the Long Range Facilities Plan Draft.

Motion 057/2020: That the Board of Education remove Options B-1, B-2, and B-3 from the Long Range Facilities Plan Draft.

Motion 058/2020: That the Board of Education keep the Enderby Zone at status quo, while numbers allow.

Motion 059/2020: That the Board of Education add Option E-5 (Change Salmon Arm Urban schools to K-5, one middle 6-8, two 9-12 secondaries) into the Long Range Facilities Plan Draft.

Motion 060/2020: That the Board of Education remove Option E-2 (Change Salmon Arm Urban schools to K-6 and three secondaries) from the Long Range Facilities Plan Draft.

Motion 061/2020: That the Board of Education remove Option E-1 (Keep Salmon Arm Urban Zone consistent at K-5, 6-8, 9-10, and 11-12) from the Long Range Facilities Plan Draft.

MAY 28, 2020 – PARTNER GROUP LIAISON MEETING

Update on the LRFP process and discussion on the new option for the Salmon Arm Zone.

JUNE 10, 2020 – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Superintendent Jory shared his thoughts with the committee on what additional consultation could look like in the Salmon Arm area. The committee discussed adding a high school in Sorrento as a formal option in the

draft Long Range Facilities Plan and how it would fit with the existing options. The committee requested staff to draft a motion to bring forward to the June Regular meeting regarding the Salmon Arm Area additional consultation.

JUNE 16, 2020 – REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Superintendent Jory reviewed the briefing note and supporting documentation provided in the agenda, highlighting what the further consultation process in Salmon Arm should include. Trustees discussed adding an option for a proposed high school in Sorrento as well as an update on the report requested at the February Board Meeting on learning opportunities and school culture at A.L. Fortune and Eagle River Secondaries, which has been delayed due to COVID-19.

Motion 081/2020: That the Board of Education request staff to prepare an additional Long Range Facilities Plan consultation process specific to the Salmon Arm area reflecting the changes to the DRAFT Long Range Facilities Plan approved at the May Regular meeting of the Board.

Motion 082/2020: That the Board of Education include an 8-12 Sorrento high school option, with feeder schools of Carlin, Sorrento, and North Shuswap, in the Long Range Facilities Plan.

OCTOBER 9, 2020 – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

Superintendent/CEO Jory provided an overview of the process, and suggested that a hybrid meeting, both in person, and virtual, with the Board of Trustees, senior staff and the public online be held in early November. Subsequent to this meeting, a survey would be available to all in the community to provide feedback on the remaining options. The survey would remain open for two weeks. Discussion followed around the survey, and the questions contained within. Some Trustees would like the survey available to all members of the community, which would require another toggle to identify that participant is out of the area.

The Committee requested that staff schedule a hybrid meeting, with Trustees and staff in person, and a link for the public to participate online, early in November.

Secretary-Treasurer Cameron discussed the implementation of the Long Range Facilities Plan, and noted that it is a plan, and changes can be made. However, to submit to the Ministry Capital Branch, the plan must be adopted by the Board of Education.

The Committee reached agreement that the Long Range Facilities Plan can be forwarded to the October Regular Board meeting for adoption.

OCTOBER 21, 2020 – REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Secretary-Treasurer Cameron reviewed the Briefing Note highlighting that Boards are expected to have a Long Range Facilities Plan in place, which indicates to the Ministry of Education and the public that the Board is looking to future requirements. A 10 year plan is in effect when adopted, but it is valuable to revisit the plan over the 10 year period. The Board are now considering each of the options identified in the plan. The attached Schedules C to F will be continuously updated as required. Vice-Chair Lachmuth inquired as to a timeline for implementation if the plan is approved. Staff advised that this would be the decision of the Board, and that schools are prepared for reconfiguration to happen next year, if required. Vice-Chair Lachmuth expressed concern for families making changes within a year but supports moving forward to get in line with Capital Funding from the Ministry of Education.

“That the Board

Motion 103/2020: *That the Board of Education adopt the 2020-2029 Long Range Facilities Plan as presented at [School District No. 83 LRFP 2020-2029](#)*

NOVEMBER 12, 2020 – LONG RANGE FACILITIES PLAN – ONLINE PUBLIC CONSULTATION

Superintendent has a survey open from 8pm November 12 through November 27 for feedback.

NOVEMBER 18, 2020 – REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Delegation: NOSTA President Graham Gomme presented on the Long Range Facilities Plan process, commenting that subsequent to the last presentation in May, a new option – E5 – was included. With COVID, and online meetings, the presentation in October was not well attended. NOSTA recommend to the board that they move forward with the recommendations on the remaining four zones, as they are unchanged, but pause on option E5 until later in 2021 so educators and the community can have a meaningful consultation in 2021. A pause would allow the district to assign a person to research the impact of housing a 10-12 school at SAS, the capacity challenge and what a timetable would look like – allowing for a more informed decision.

FEBRUARY 16, 2021 – REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Delegation: NOSTA President Graham Gomme reviewed a presentation of NOSTA recommendations regarding the Long Range Facilities Plan, noting that the information provided was gathered from membership with a view to the collective agreement, student learning, the community, facilities and budget. He reviewed the two areas of the North West zone and Salmon Arm zone providing NOSTA's recommendations for these areas.

MARCH 9, 2021 – REGULAR BOARD MEETING

Superintendent Jory reviewed a summary of the consultation process to date. The Board discussed some comments received by individual Trustees. Agreed to add the LRFP – Next Steps to the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

MARCH 31, 2021 – COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

Superintendent Jory reviewed the timeline of discussions and process. Trustees discussed the main options on the table for Salmon Arm, Options E4 and E5. Trustees were in agreement that the consultation process has been thorough. The community, families, and staff have been consulted, and that funding must be set aside to implement changes, and that a future need for a high school in Sorrento is identified. It was agreed to bring the LRFP back to the regular board meeting in April. The Board are encouraged to review the results of the LRFP surveys prior to discussing in a public meeting.