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Monroe School District Facilities Committee Continues Planning Process

Monroe, WI – On Monday evening the District’s Facilities Committee (DFC) met again to discuss the proposed building needs and additional solutions, including a combined Middle/High School on the high school site, including the demolition of Abraham Lincoln Elementary School. The District Facilities Committee has been working since September 2017 to develop potential building solutions to address numerous concerns identified in the District’s Facilities Assessment Study.

Following nearly two years of study and meetings, the DFC, working in conjunction with CG Schmidt Construction and Plunkett Raysich Architects, consultants engaged by the District Administration, developed numerous building solutions to address these concerns. There is specific criteria the committee explored such as a commitment to district equity and touching all buildings, operating four schools (2 elementary, 1 middle and 1 high school), and addressing urgent maintenance needs to name a few. Tonight the DFC further explored three variations to addressing the failing high school.

While each variation calls for the closing of Abraham Lincoln Elementary School and the construction of a new combined Middle/High School, serving grades 7-12, on the site of the current school, they vary in what extent – if any – the current Middle/high School building will be incorporated, and if the District will elect to pursue or defer additional identified maintenance needs at the other District schools.

The District and Board of Education announced that they plan to solicit community feedback on any proposed solutions before coming to a conclusion, and expect to issue a district-wide survey to all residents in either summer or early fall.

“The DFC has been doing an exemplary job to accomplish the mission we gave them, ensuring Monroe has quality buildings for our students,” said District Administrator, Rick Waski. “They’ve been working very hard since the fall of 2017, and even recently touring Port Washington School District and the School District of Brown Deer, both of which that have faced the same challenges we do now. We’re looking forward to presenting their proposed solutions to the community and getting direct feedback before taking any additional steps.”



Those interested in learning more about the facilities planning process or to obtain a copy of the District's Facilities Assessment Study, should contact District Administrator, Rick Waski via email at rickwaski@monroe.k12.wi.us.

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