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Monroe School District's Facilities Committee Reconvenes for Master Planning Discussion

Monroe, WI – On Wednesday evening the Monroe School District's Facilities Committee (DFC) reconvened for a discussion regarding the master facility planning process for the district. At this meeting, they provided a construction update on Northside Elementary school, detailed goals for the DFC throughout the master planning process and reviewed three options to address the district's declining and outdated high school.

The DFC was launched in February of 2018, previously holding a dozen meetings where they discussed district financing, tax impacts, population studies analysis, community survey results, building capacities and more. Following the hard work completed by the DFC, the committee presented a summary of their findings and recommendations to the Board of Education to address the numerous concerns identified in the District Facilities Assessment Study completed by CG Schmidt (CGS) and Plunkett Raysich Architects (PRA).

The DFC consists of District and building administration and staff, as well as numerous members of the community, with a shared interest in helping shape the future of the facilities of the School District of Monroe. They are focused on creating predictable grade level configurations, realistic transitions for students, compiling a capital maintenance list, maintaining safety and security, meeting ADA requirements, maintaining manageably sized elementary schools, and maximizing the use of existing buildings. The committee is scheduled to meet again on August 16 and September 20.

Those interested in learning more about the facilities planning process or obtaining a copy of the District's Facilities Assessment Study, or the DFC Executive Summary and meeting notes should contact District Administrator, Rick Waski via email at <u>rickwaski@monroe.k12.wi.us</u>, or check out the district website at <u>www.monroeschools.com</u>.

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