

Long Range Facilities Task Force
November 5, 2013

Strengths of this workshop:

- Open communication about strengths/weaknesses of models.
- Good discussion. Everyone had a chance to express their opinion.
- Participants were open to mic views of others.
- Good food.
- Food and pacing.
- Passing the microphone worked well.
- Not sure we are ready to produce a 60% outcome – still too many camps.
- Good discussion. Guiding principles will help keep group focused on same goals.
- Good discussion because so many people spoke up.
- Everybody had an opportunity to be heard.
- Good conversations.

Comments/Suggestions for improvement:

- Use name tags, even if not assigned seating.
- The group could be reminded regularly that student outcomes and how.
- Hopefully we'll make a decision on what's best for kids, not what's easiest to manage.
- Banding has been looked at 3 times in the past 10 years. Not supported by community.
- Too many teachers and administrators – they dominated the question and answer conversations.
- 1. Rebuild High School, close Franklin, rebuild SMS @ Franklin.
- 2. Move Hamilton to Stevens and rebuild Hamilton.
- 3. Close Stevens.
- All opinions – not enough focus on quality of student output/quality of learning.
- We should be transparent about the long range recommendation. Ex. It would not be appropriate to recommend building a high school, but keep quiet about the option to band our elementary schools. Banding is a very unpopular option within our community and keeping it “hush-hush” while asking for votes is unacceptable.
- Begin with high school, building a school with projected capacity for growth in the future, perhaps extra capacity for one extra grade. When rebuilding a 6-8 middle school, temporarily move 8th grade onto the campus of PAHS, so that Stevens/Roosevelt have temporary capacity during middle school rebuild.

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