



Evergreen School District

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Minutes of Meeting – Facilities Advisory Committee Business Office (Technology Learning Center)

3188 Quimby Road
San Jose, CA 95148

<http://www.eesd.org/page.cfm?p=4269>

Thursday November 3, 2016
6:30 p.m.

Committee Members:

	Chanice Mason (Secretary)		Brian Wheatley
	Melissa Shelton-Biscardi		Gracie Garcia-Ramos
	Linda Mora		Jane Martin
	Niraj Gopal		Barry Schimmel (Co-Chairperson)
	Nguyen Quach		Pauline Benton (Chairperson)
	Thiagarajan Lakshmanan (Rajan)		

Alternates:

	Stacy Johnston (Alternate 1)
	Bob Moore (Alternate 2)
	Carlos Da Silva (Alternate 3)

CALL TO ORDER

At 6:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL/QUORUM

Roll Call (6 members of 11 were present at roll call)

X	Chanice Mason (Secretary)	X	Pauline Benton (Chairperson)
X	Linda Mora	X	Barry Schimmel
X	Jane Martin	X	Nguyen Quach

Alternates:

X	Stacy Johnston (Alternate 1)
X	Carlos Da Silva (Alternate 3)

The following members were absent:

	Niraj Gopal
	Thiagarajan Lakshmanan
	Melissa Shelton-Biscardi
	Brian Wheatley
	Gracie Garcia-Ramos

Alternates:

	Bob Moore (Alternate 2)
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FLAG SALUTE

Lead by Pauline Benton

COMMUNICATION

Education Code and slides from district lawyer presentation on the role of this committee.

Based on this information, the committee is requested to give specific details and ideas for the future of the district with concern to the number of campuses, equity properties and investment ideas. With this information, the committee members will request an extended deadline to present the ideas to the board.

The district demographer will present to the committee during the December 15, 2016 meeting.

Attendance of several members has been low, these members will be contacted and given the choice to switch to being an alternate. If the committee has not heard from these members by the November 17, 2016 meeting the attending committee members may elect to switch these members to alternates and make the alternates with the highest attendance records to committee members.

The district D99's showing the attendance by school, were distributed to the committee.

Public Comment:

Mr. Larsen:

This committee is a 7-11 committee per the lawyer's statement on the webpage.

The committee should have a general binder for the public.

The mission statement of this committee should be more clearly written.

He requested that the committee member reread the mission statement.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION/IMMEDIATE ACTION

Approval of Meeting Minutes from 10/20/16:

A motion by Barry Schimmel, seconded by Jane Martin to approve the meeting minutes with no changes.

MOTION CARRIED: 6-0 Vote, 0 – Opposed, 0 - Abstain

Six – Ayes: Chanice Mason, Jane Martin, Pauline Benton, Barry Schimmel, Linda Mora, Nguyen Quach

None – Opposed

0 - Abstain

Absent – Niraj Gopal, Thiagarajan Lakshmanan, Melissa Shelton-Biscardi, Brian Wheatley, Gracie Garcia-Ramos

Public Comment:

Mr. Larsen: Always get public comment before adopting minutes, also the minutes could be written more clearly.

PENDING REPORTS/AGENDA ITEM

Pauline Benton (Chairperson)

- October 29, 2016 field trip review.
 - Attendees: Chanice Mason, Stacy Johnson, Carlos Da Silva
 - Katherine Smith ES:
New Administration Building.
New windows will be installed allowing the currently boarded up windows to allow more daylight into each classroom.
New flooring to be installed in the Multi-Purpose.
 - OB Whaley ES:
Open feel to campus.
New Administration Building.
New windows will be installed allowing the currently boarded up windows to allow more daylight into each classroom.
New flooring to be installed in the Multi-Purpose.
Two existing portables will be relocated for new full day kindergarten.
 - LeyVa MS:
New Administration Building.
New nine room classroom building.
Big gymnasium.
Small band room.
 - BullDog Tech MS:
Large classrooms.
New buildings.
 - Dove Hill ES:
Small Front Office.
New roof installed recently.
Most of the construction is portable buildings installed in 1987.
Mold was removed during last summer.
 - Montgomery ES:
New light bulbs, floor and HVAC will be installed in Multi-Use Building.
Two-story classroom buildings.
A new parking lot and drop needs to be installed.
 - J.F. Smith ES:
Open feeling campus.
Two-story classroom buildings.
Nice Administration and Library.
Large, high ceiling Multi-Purpose Building.
 - Silver Oak ES:
Very small multi-purpose area.
Front office nice.
Odd shaped classrooms.
New STEM lab to open in November this year, two classrooms converted.

- Laurelwood ES:
Small Administration.
Small classroom approximately 780 square feet each.
Large center room between classrooms in the center of two of the buildings, wasted space.
- Cadwallader ES:
Spaced out building locations.
Very small Administration area.
Needs new roofs and ADA ramps.
- Holly Oak ES:
Open campus.
Small front office.
One classroom will be modernized to accommodate full day kindergarten.
Wonderful landscaping.
- Public Comment: None
- Review of preliminary consolidated data spreadsheet.
 - A line for the 650 students per school should be added, to be able to compare both the 600 and 650 student counts. Remove PME and add a capacity per campus number.
 - Public Comment:
 - Mr. Larsen:
 - The numbers are wrong, please review accuracy.
 - The committee should review a three year equity plan for the district.
 - Per the superintendent all school campuses will have a STEM lab added.
- Preparation for November 10, 2016 board presentation.
 - Show the consolidated data spread sheet.
 - Discuss that the field trips to the campuses have been completed.
 - List of principle considerations under review by this committee.
 - Public Comment: None

FUTURE MEETINGS

November 17, 2016 – 6:30 p.m.
 December 1, 2016 – 6:30 p.m.
 December 15, 2016 – 6:30 p.m.
 January 5, 2017 – 6:30 p.m.
 January 19, 2017 – 6:30 p.m.
 February 2, 2017 – 6:30 p.m.
 February 16, 2017 – 6:30 pm (tentatively scheduled)
 March 2, 2017 – 6:30 pm (tentatively scheduled)
 March 16, 2017 – 6:30 pm (tentatively scheduled)
 March 30, 2017 – 6:30 pm (tentatively scheduled)

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Request the district demographer produce boundary change maps with a few different school consolidation options.
- The FAC would like to review the campus evacuation maps for each school.
- Discuss when the final field trip should be held for people to see specific campuses of their choice.
- Review of revenue generating ideas to propose to the District.
- Discuss the idea of recommending Tk-8 grade schools in the District.
- Analysis of current enrollment and future enrollment using optimal size option of 600 or 650 to determine how many elementary schools Evergreen should operate in the next 5 to 10 years.
- Request Rick Navarro to explain the capacity per campus calculation.
- Request committee members to generate a list of recommendations to be presented to all committee members in order for a consolidated list to be created.
- Discuss having computers supplied to the FAC members during the meeting.
 - Public Comment: None

MATTERS FROM THE PUBLIC

Mr. Larsen:

- The district has been in deficit spending in years past and projects deficit spending in the future.
- The committee members should have access to the rolling computer carts.
- Lease-Leaseback option could be used at the Dove Hill ES campus to allow for the construction of new buildings.
- The District should start a new TECH network high school and allow any student to attend.
- Please include the attached note.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Linda Mora. Unanimous - Meeting adjourned at 9:06 pm.

Chanice Mason, Secretary

Approved and Entered Into
Official Proceeding of Evergreen School District

Thursday, November 3, 2016

Laurelwood 390

Montgomery school 651

Public Comment @ 7-11 Facilities Advisory Committee

* Concern for $\sqrt{\text{ing}}$ Accurate enrollment figures of each school for 11-1-2016
current data may not be accurate

It is requested that this letter be attached to the minutes of the Brown Act mandated 7-11 FAC committee.

Kevin Larsen (Parent, Member of La Vos Parent Group)

* To all stakeholders: It has been suggested (two meetings ago) that at each 7-11 FAC meeting that one rolling computer laptop cart (from Quimby Oak Middle School) be rolled into the room so that all 7-11 voting and alternative voting members can log in and access a laptop computer in exploring decisions for the mission statement of this group and increased communication for discussion and strategy. So far this idea has not been honored or accepted by the 7-11 FAC group. This is an example of how parent input is not honored at Evergreen Elementary School District in the opinion of myself (Kevin Larsen).

If one types in Great Schools Evergreen Elementary it shows all schools and one can click on a school to learn more:

* <http://www.greatschools.org/school-district-boundaries-map/?districtId=633&level=e&schoolId=5473&state=CA>

Another valuable information website is School Digger. One needs to type in School Digger and each school site and more information can be easily accessed to help make decisions. Example: Type in: School Digger Cadwalder Elementary San Jose

* <https://www.schooldigger.com/go/CA/schools/1314001490/school.aspx>

This is the beginning of this parent's (Kevin Larsen) possible views as to best ideas for closure of two schools in our Evergreen Elementary School District. (closure is defined as a change in use of the school)

The fact that Cadwalder Elementary School has an enrollment of only (388 children) causes this elementary school to be considered highly as being closed and leased for other uses. If Cadwalder is closed it is asked by this parent that we contact the Santa Clara County Office of Education to see if they may need a facility for use with special needs children or another SCCOE use. If we look at all the schools around Cadwalder Elementary School we could shift all the Cadwalder children to them so that it is within walking distance and no bus costs would need to be provided (schools to consider are (see map of all schools in district)

Cadwalder Elementary (**388 students in attendance**)

Laurelwood Elementary (**390 students**)

Montgomery Elementary School (**651 students**)

Dove Hill Elementary (**588 students**)

(note the amount of students attending may be in error for the website does not update too well so accurate amounts and projections welcomed)

^{again}
A possibility to consider is for Cadwalder to close and be leased by the Santa Clara County Office of Education for other students with special needs (would need to be investigated) then it needs to be explored if students from Cadwalder can walk to adjacent schools such as Montgomery and Laurelwood. Since Montgomery has an enrollment of over 600 students the school district boundary lines can be changed to allow some students to walk to Dove Hill. This will raise Dove Hill attendance to above 650 or more students. *Note: Some Montgomery students could walk to Dove Hill w/ shift of boundaries.*

Dove Hill suffers from not having all portables upgrades properly and a bond measure was to address this with funding but monies have not yet been allocated (so this money is earmarked for Dove Hill). This means that perhaps a million dollars is in waiting for use at Dove Hill (see bond measure). It is seen that Cedar Grove is now using a new kind of classroom installation that pours concrete down and prefab buildings are put in place (this is a lease-lease back process currently in process). So, it would be good for the 7-11 Facilities Advisory Committee to learn more about the costs associated with Cedar Grove install and consider the costs of using a new kind of classroom to be installed at Dove Hill that is a cookie cutter kind of cedar grove classroom. This means a new method of install of classrooms can take place instead of portables while keeping costs down.

Now I will be repeating various ideas as time goes on in a report. I wish to suggest consideration that Evergreen Elementary School District start a New Tech Network High School. This would allow EESD teachers to gain a single subject and move to the new High School to teach instead of being laid off. Also New Tech High school could gather students from all surrounding high school districts if it were started as a new charter school under Evergreen School District oversight. This may be easy to set up. You see, New Tech Network is all about the emphasis of High School implementation and thus it has experience in helping our school district start up. Such a new high school of project based learning can be of value to the area and offset downward enrollment projections for our school district. Such a high school could be installed in a lower enrollment elementary school such as Cadwalder or Laurelwood. *(with other parent's input too!)*

As far as the idea of building a Meadowfair Elementary school. The builder can be asked to raise all home prices (250 homes) to a \$50,000 increase to help build a new elementary school there (\$12,500,000).

These ideas are being presented to the 7-11 FAC committee and school board to generate new input of ideas and thinking for possible strategies. More ideas to come.

Also, the members of the current 7-11 FAC group seem not too keen in gathering parent input and other stakeholder input. The school board has asked this be done.

Kevin Larsen *(This letter is composed of parent opinions)*
Parent, Member of La Vos Parent Group

Mr. K. Larsen
Parent
Member of La Vos

* Key ideas for consideration