

**West Fargo Public Schools
Planning & Development Committee Meeting
September 20, 2021 - 5:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.
LEC Boardroom**

Agenda

1. SHS Stadium
 - a. Understand the bottle necks.
 - i. Big item is the bleachers on the visiting side – keeping the visiting and home crowd separate and creating another entry.
 - ii. Move the fence by the concession stand - push that further to the track. Make the grass area that is a mud hole now a concrete slab that could then become an area for people to eat and expand that area.
 - iii. Get a sidewalk leading to the visitor's section.
 - b. Look at what standard in our current concession stand we would want to mirror in our future concession stand that will
 - c. There is a company that would like to pour the concrete for a reduced cost. We could do this as long as it falls in our advertising and fundraising policy.
 - d. The fencing, the sidewalk, and the concrete would make the huge difference right away. Do the slab for the bleachers right away but don't spend the money for the bleachers until later.
 - e. With football games and graduation, this would be helpful, but there are some projects that keep getting pushed down on the list that need to be done as well.
2. HHS Update
 - a. Continuing to move forward as quickly as we can. We have not moved our opening date at all.
 - b. Looking to start moving into NDEA break.
3. Parking agreement for WFSA
 - a. Less about parking available for events but the parking spot requirements for tenants at the plaza. Potential parking shortage during the day.
 - b. Hockey families are coming and going worry about competing for parking.
 - c. We are a school and now a private business is wanting to use our parking lot. It can't be the city agreement with WFPS, it has to be EPIC and WFPS. We can look at writing up a licensing agreement with our attorney. We could pull in Alyssa Kellas and work on a rental parking agreement. If

there is a way to help when we are not busy we would like to be good partners.

- d. Leasing part, get it written up and having the board look it over before it is agreed upon and signed.
4. Pros and cons for elementary growth plan
- a. Six potential options – do we do this as a stand-alone project or a broader package.
 - i. Brought a team together to walk through the options. Desire to be financially responsible. Our first decision was the not do any additions for ECSE.
 - ii. The best option was a new site all together.
 - iii. We need a task force to look into the best plan for facilities overall
 - iv. Cheapest option is build a super school at Independence – but would come with a lot of cons and operational inefficiencies.
 - v. We're going to need to come up with a growth plan for ECSE, but we don't want to rush that. That should be part of the LRFTF.
 - vi. Trade off with adding on, is you would have a bigger feeder area, but the school might not be in your neighborhood.
 - b. The committee suggested that we do a full board work session on this topic and invite YHR
5. Food Service Improvements
- a. Food Service is totally separate from our general fund. She needs to submit a plan to the state for how she will spend that down. One of the things she is planning is a renovation at WFHS to help with the flow of students
 - b. Working on updating the teachers lounge as well since it shares a wall – that would be part of the building fund, but the cost savings could be beneficial to combine the projects.