

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

Attendees:

Committee Members: Patti Stedman; Dan Schaeffer; Jon Erickson

District Staff: Beth Slette; Levi Bachmeier; Rachael Agre; Alicia Severson

Other Board Members: Jim Jonas and Mark Staples

Media: None

1. WFSA

a. Third Sheet Option was discussed.

i. Could make it a more flexible space that could be used when there is bad weather during The Lights events. Possible graduation venue?

1. Programs are growing, so a third sheet of ice would get used.

2. Would be a practice sheet.

ii. The city of West Fargo would like to discuss the development of the entire plot to the north of the WFSA, possibly adding another parking ramp.

1. The parking ramp would release some of our responsibility for upkeep. Less snow removal for the district as it would belong to the city.

iii. The parking ramp would allow a possibility for larger event space, space for hotels, condos and other mixed-use space.

1. Would add taxable value beyond just pavement for parking.

iv. The district and city would have to submit a RFQ amongst developers to see what the space would be best used for based on how it is zoned.

2. Boundaries

a. The Sheyenne feeder system is seriously over crowded. Many of the building in the system are at or beyond capacity.

b. There will not be one thing that fixes the problem, we will have to do multiple things.

i. The committee discussed three different options that would help relieve overcrowding and the timeline for the process.

3. Design Review

a. Levi Bachmeier showed the committee the most recent drawings from YHR of the new elementary school.