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District Vision Statement for Park County School District #6
Review of District Facilities and Anticipated Educational and Support Needs

Grade Configurations

1. Three in-town elementary schools serving grades kindergarten through five
2. One middle school serving grades six through eight
3. One high school serving grades nine through twelve and a school within a school alternative high school
4. One rural South Fork elementary school for grades K-5
5. One rural North Fork elementary school for grades K-5
6. The above grade configurations and schools are expected to continue for the foreseeable future

Summary of school/district operations significantly impacted by current facilities

1. The district is replacing one in town three-track elementary school (Sunset) with a new three-track elementary school. When the new school is completed in 2020, the district's three elementary schools will be essentially at full capacity based on current enrollment and class sizes.
2. The two rural schools are significantly older than the in-town elementary schools. Each school is approximately at 75% of capacity. Valley elementary school a traditional rural small wood structure school, is located 37 miles up South Fork road has a minor cap contract of \$100,000. It is anticipated that an additional \$150,000 will be needed to bring this school to an acceptable level of facility scores. Wapiti school is also a wooden structure of a dated multi-level design. This school does not meet internal ADA accessibility standards.
3. The middle school is in generally good condition and meets student educational needs
4. The high school in good condition and meets student educational needs
5. The central offices, also housing the CHS alternative high school, are in good and in very serviceable condition
6. The transportation bus barn is in poor condition and is situated on a very small site, limiting affective accessibility and safety.

Brief summary of school/district operations significantly impacted by current facilities

The new Sunset school, a three-section school with additional rooms for district wide-special education, scheduled to open in the fall of 2010, will provide very adequate educational opportunity for the foreseeable future. This building will be air-conditioned. The current Sunset school should be totally demolished upon the opening of the new Sunset School. The district intends to keep the Sunset property on the district's inventory indefinitely.

Eastside School, a three-section school, will provide adequate educational opportunity foreseeable future. The building should meet assessment expectations. The building should be air-conditioned to provide an optimum-learning environment for mid-August school starts. Major maintenance upgrades should meet the building needs.

Livingston school, a three-section school, will provide adequate educational opportunity for the foreseeable futures. The building should meet assessment expectations. This building is air-conditioned.

The current middle school is a very serviceable building and should meet assessment expectations. This building can maintained with major maintenance. The building should be air-conditioned to deal with the interior heat issue of mid-August school starts. The exterior roof on this 15 year-old building needs to be replaced. It is a shingled roof and the wind has caused extensive and accelerated wear. The replacement for this pitched roof should be steel.

The current high school should meet most assessment expectations. It is air-conditioned for mid-August starts. This building should be maintainable with major maintenance for the foreseeable future.

The current transportation will not likely meet assessment expectations and the use of major maintenance dollars are likely to have a significant impact upon improving the assessments scores. The building needs to be replaced. The district does have existing property that will adequately serve the needs of a new transportation complex for the district.

The central office area, which also houses the school within a school alternative high school will likely meet facility assessment scoring minimums. This facility will also be maintainable with major maintenance dollars for the foreseeable future.

Capacity Issues

1. Valley elementary school, maximum capacity for this K-5 school is probably eight-ten students when one teacher is teaching three-four grades. The current enrollment is five students.
2. Wapiti school, located twenty-four miles west of Cody, a K-5, school, is nearing capacity. It serves regular and special education students, but cannot serve area students with significant ADA needs.
3. Eastside School, a K-5 school is at full capacity.
4. Livingston school, a K-5 school is currently over capacity, due to a significant special education population. When the new Sunset school is opened, Livingston will be at full capacity.
5. The new Sunset school, scheduled to open in the fall of 2010, serving K-5 and additional district special educations student is scheduled to be at full capacity upon opening of the facility.
6. Cody middle school is currently at approximately 85% capacity.
7. Cody High school is currently at approximately 85% capacity.
8. Cody middle school is currently suffering from a major capacity issues. Constructed in 1994, the design of the building did not foresee of accommodate the significant special education needs of students who would be and are housed there. Due to the abandonment of one program that required a large space, there

is now an opportunity to convert that particular space to meet the needs of those student with OT, PT and severe and profound needs. The SFC should consider a minor cap project or the use of MM dollars to provide this space conversion.

Functional educational suitability

1. The continuous needs for technology expansion are the primary areas of concern in the district for the foreseeable future.
2. The two rural schools, Valley and Wapiti, may pose significant issues over the next six years.
3. The in-town schools, five in all, should meet education suitability needs for the foreseeable future.
4. As noted previously the current Sunset K-5 facility is scheduled to be demolished due to ongoing health and safety issues related to asbestos, mold, air borne particulates, dirt tunnels, etc. The site will be maintained in the district's inventory to provide an in-town location for future expansion of elementary student's, dependent upon where home expansion occurs. It is possible that the continuing expansion of home building on the South Fork may require the construction of an elementary eight to twelve miles southwest of Cody.

Brief summary of strategies to achieve goals identified by the Commission

1. Through major renovation and new construction the district has reduced a significant number of 1's and 2's on the facility assessments. Additionally, the district has utilized major maintenance to further reduce 1's and 2's.
2. Allowable square footage has been limited to existing space or renovations that maintained or reduced square footage.
3. District acreage has been maintained at a historical level, with the exception of the addition of nearly twelve acres to accommodate the construction of the new Sunset School. The district holds an additional 38-acre parcel that is projected to accommodate a future bus barn. The district holds no other vacant properties at this time.
4. The district does not have any facilities that are long term rented or leased to other entities.

SUMMARY

The MS roof is failing and the major maintenance will need to be supplemented to allow for the replacement of the roof. Failure to replace the roof will have consequences to the condition of the rest of the building.

Busbarn is currently in a congested part of the city. New construction will be deferred until the future biennium, however, the district is exploring the potential of a trade with a neighboring lumber yard to expedite the construction of the building without use of state funds.

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(i) A full description of the District's long-term goals and strategies related to its facilities, including disposition of facilities and modification of grade configurations and school boundaries;

Changes or modifications:

No changes

(ii) An inventory of all existing facilities and the current and anticipated future use of each facility, including grade configuration and student population, if applicable;

Changes or modifications:

New Sunset needs to be made active in August and SF added. Old Sunset needs to be demolished. Property will be retained for possible future use.

(iii) A full description of all anticipated new or replacement facilities to be funded for the district over the next ten (10) years with a thorough explanation of the reasons supporting the perceived need for the new or replacement facility;

Project List Items:

Bus facility—not well-defined, cannot cost out

(iv) A full description of the anticipated impact of maintenance or renovation of facilities on the district's long-term goals and strategies, including non-construction alternatives.

Project List Items:

- May have a long-term need for capacity if the possible trend continues. Livingston school could be expanded.
- May need component level funding for roof on MS—Bryan will get an estimate.

Major Maintenance Items:

- AC of Eastside and MS. Sufficient resources are now available. Both will be completed by late fall 2010
- 710 forms have been submitted—MS roof
- All 1's and 2's have been addressed.

(v) An inventory of all real property owned by the district along with an explanation of the current and future use of the property. District owned property shall be considered, and if possible, used for all construction projects prior to new property purchases being considered or approved;

Changes or modifications:

Change name of current Sunset to “Old Sunset” or some other name. There may be an error in the acreage of Livingston ES—Bryan will check and contact the SFC if there is a difference.

(vi) Identification of all local enhancements and community facilities which are capable of supporting any aspect of the district’s long-term goals and strategies, including any current use of such facilities;

Changes or modifications:

Will be adding artificial turf at the HS this summer; district will bring this to the SFC in July 2010. Nancy will forward boiler plate documents to Bryan.

(vii) Student enrollment projections for the district and each facility within the district in accordance with W.S. 21-15-116(a) and these rules and regulations;

Changes or modifications:

District agrees with small continuous growth. There is an increase in K this coming year.

(viii) Projections for acquisition of land in accordance with the district’s long-term goals and strategies and the subsections of this rule;

Changes or modifications:

At some distant time Wapiti School should be on a list for additional property when it is renovated/replaced.

(ix) Cost estimates in current and future dollars for the facility remedies proposed in the facility plan;

Project List Items:

Bus barn solution is not well-defined, cannot give a cost estimate

MS roof replacement—Bryan will send an estimate.

Other

(x) Identification of all leased spaces, including the identity of the lessee/lessor;

Changes or modifications:

No leased spaces.

(xi) Cross-reference to any appropriate additional source of relevant information, including computer databases maintained by the Commission;