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**Sublette County School District #1
School Facilities Plan
March 2009**

Sublette County School District ## 1 (SCSD#1) has the following grade configurations;

Current:

K-4 elementary schools in Pinedale and Bondurant

5-8 middle school in Pinedale

9-12 high school in Pinedale

Foreseeable Future

Upon completion of the new elementary building the district will return to our long-term plan for K-5 elementary schools in both Bondurant and Pinedale

Reconfigure the middle for 6-8 grades

Continue 9-12 grades at the high school

The elementary school is overcrowded by approximately 200 students. The 5th grade has been relocated to the Middle School and the 4th grade is being housed in two modular classrooms located in the Elementary school parking lot. Excess square footage will be addressed by retirement of older buildings, leasing to interested parties and remodeling of some areas.

Construction of the new elementary school in Pinedale will happen this biennium. The reconstruction of the current campus will arise during the next three biennia. SCSD#1 does expect the need for capital funding to help remodel the existing elementary and high schools. Both, to make them useable as the new middle school or high school and the retirement of older buildings. SCSD#1 has worked to eliminate all number 1 or 2 category items in the District; often with the District's own funds. SCSD#1 expects the annual allotment of major maintenance funds will be adequate to maintain the facilities for other items.

Construction of the new elementary school will eliminate overcrowding in the elementary school.

Moving the 5th grade back to the elementary school will allow room for growth in the middle school. The high school should have room until the plan to reconfigure the 6-12 campus is completed and implemented. We believe these changes will provide SCSD#1 with the facilities needed to provide for our anticipated growth over the next three biennia. After the new elementary construction and the reconstruction of the current campus SCSD#1 is not expected any boundary adjustments or future changes to grade configurations. The combination of capital construction funding from the SFC and current district resources set aside for construction; from past excess recapture dollars, should be sufficient to cover the costs of the new elementary construction and reconstruction work on the current campus.

The functionality and educational suitability should not be adversely affected over the next three biennia. SCSD#1's current plans to construct the new elementary building and the reconstruction of the existing campus along with the work we have already completed in all our buildings will provide state of the art computers, smart boards and other IT systems throughout our buildings. Classrooms are sized adequately, in good mechanical condition and appropriately furnished.

SCSD#1 is planning over the next two years to involve the public in discussions about the disposition of excess square footage. Those discussions will lead the decisions in the reconstruction of the existing campus.

Strategies for SCSD#1

There are no 1 or 2 category items in the District

Leasing, demolition and remodeling will be utilized toward achieving allowable square footage in the District. This will be integral in the long range facility plan as part of the remodel of the existing campus.

We have not addressed this issue in public. SCSD#1 carries excess acres and plans to continue to do so. Current acreages include pre-1997 land, park land, land for housing, land for future school construction and land that have restrictions on the deed. Most of the excess land currently is unimproved and could be developed when desirable. SCSD#1 understands the cost of these acreages must be borne by the district.

SCSD#1 has several rental facilities; i.e. the aquatic center, BOCES, and several teacherages. The district plans to continue to rent these facilities and increasing the amount of square footage under rentals. SCSD#1 understands the cost of maintaining these facilities must be borne by the district and has and will continue to evaluate the rental fees carefully.

The excess square footage built by the District 20 years ago in the form of an enhanced gymnasium and auditorium is now adversely affecting the ability of the District to provide classroom space for students. The District is searching for options to provide the needed classroom space without demolishing; either by leasing out or reconfiguring these two spaces that are an integral part of the Pinedale community.

SCSD#1 has worked with its long-range facilities planning committee to develop an overall plan to provide quality buildings for all grade levels. We have carefully considered the needs of our growing district and look forward to continuing to provide the best opportunities for the students in Pinedale and the surrounding area.

Doris Woodbury, superintendent, Vern McAdams, Business Manager, and Dennis Sipe, Facility Manager met with SFC staff on Tuesday, September 08, 2009 to discuss the facility plan for the district.

- i) The grade configurations shown by the WDE and the district concur. Next year the district will move to a standard configuration approved by the WDE. There are no changes to the boundary plan. A new elementary school is under construction and will be completed by Aug 2010. When this school is opened there will be no known capacity problems. The most significant problem facing the district related to facilities is how to re-purpose and "right size" the main campus. The district will need some assistance in planning and design when this project is undertaken.
- ii) The building inventory was updated
- iii) See para i)
- iv) See Maximus
- v) The real property inventory was updated.
- vi) The enhancement listed for the elementary school is correct in SF and percent of the building.

- vii) The enrollment projection used for the elementary school appears to be correct. The district had two fewer students enrolled for the first day of school than they had for the first day last year.
- viii) No acquisitions projected
- ix) Major maint should be adequate to cover the needs until the main campus is right-sized.
- x) The district leases space to the Pinedale Aquatics Center and to the BOCES. Both leases are in Maximus.

Date August 2, 2010

Name Vern McAdams, Dennis Seipp, Jay Harnack,

(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:

The modulars shown on property inventory will be moved to TET01.

Add new elementary to inventory.

The "old" elementary should not be closed, but will not be an elementary school—Stan will call Dennis

(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:

VCBO is conducting an evaluation of the secondary campus, some needs will come out of this review. The nature of the needs cannot be defined today.

(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:

None in the near term

Major Maintenance Items:

The MM plan will be developed after a review of the VCBO secondary campus plan. Until then the MM will be used for emergency and unexpected failures.

(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:

Add duplex in Boulder, WY

None

(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:

Check the \$ amount for the enhancement of the elementary school

(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:

K projection is quite close. District projection is flat with limited growth.

(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:

None needed.

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

Project List Items:

Not defined—cannot estimate

Other

MM will fund all other needs.

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

Changes or modifications:

New lease for BOCES. New residential duplex (see spreadsheet)

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