

BOC Planning, Next Steps on Premium Reserve Projects, Facility Allocation Policy Discussion

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Meeting Agenda

- Public Comment 10 minutes
- New Committee Member Introductions 20 minutes
- BOC Next Steps and Planning 20 minutes
- Premium Reserve Project Status Updates 20 minutes
- Facility Allocation Policy Discussion 20 minutes

Committee Member Introductions

- **Name**
- **History / connection with DPS**
- **Favorite building in city of Denver**

BOC Role in Coming Months

Jan – Dec 2015

- To oversee that the investments outlined in the 2012 Bond package are carried through by DPS
- To serve as ambassadors in our communities
- To report to the Superintendent and Board of Education
- To understand growth, needs and basis of decisions
- To discuss and advise DPS on additional savings if and when applicable

Jan – Dec 2016

- To oversee that the investments outlined in the 2012 Bond package are completed by DPS
- To serve as ambassadors in our communities as DPS considers a 2016 bond
- To report to the Superintendent and Board of Education
- To discuss and advise DPS on additional savings if and when applicable

- Based on your experience with the 2012 BOC, some committee members may choose to join a citizens advisory group to help develop 2016 Bond recommendations for the Board of Ed

Potential Upcoming BOC Discussions

Friday April 17th

- MWBE and Goals Committee Update
- Bond Outreach Overview – schedule and plans for activities, features, namings, openings, etc.
- DPS Sustainability update: new construction and renovation

Wednesday May 13th Afternoon (to be confirmed)

- Joint meeting with Mill Oversight Committee.
- Topic of discussion of 21st century technology in the classroom
- Send out SRA offline

Summer Meeting

- Summer Construction Plan
- Summer Tour

- **Is this the right cadence and content for meetings?**
- **What other topics should we be discussing in future meetings?**

Summit Academy New Facility

Identified Need

Regional Summary: Southwest

	Key gaps	Changes in Progress	Remaining open issue	Notes
Demographic/Capacity Data	Preschool capacity			Regional options are serving demand
	Elementary seating capacity	✓		STRIVE Ruby Hill opened in 2014. Regional options are now serving demand.
	Middle School seating capacity	✓		Compass Academy (2015), STRIVE 800 (2016) are approved to open.
	# track offerings	✓	✓	Permanent location needed for Summit
Performance Data	Elementary school performance: (1,691 seats, or 20% are orange/red)	✓	✓	While several options provide high quality results for middle school students, additional performance issues remain (see 88)
	Secondary school performance: (2,048 seats, or 19% are orange/red)	✓	✓	While several options provide high quality results for middle school students, additional performance issues remain (see 88)

Key gaps

Permanent location needed for Summit Academy.

Steps Taken

Identified and evaluated two facilities in SW to meet Summit's facility needs. Currently in due diligence on one facility.

Solution Recommendation

\$3,600,000 to purchase or lease and renovate stand-alone facility in SW for Summit Intensive Pathways 6th – 12th grade school.

Plan to open new facility likely in 2016.

Status

- Summit Academy present location is 3001 S. Federal Blvd. on the Colorado Heights University (CHU) campus (non-DPS controlled building).
- DPS and CHU are in negotiations to extend lease, although CHU has indicated a strategic change driving them to terminate the lease and re-allocate the space to internal needs.
- Target facility located in SW Denver approximately 3 miles from CHU. Preliminary design work is currently underway, and assuming a successful closing, it is estimated construction would start in September 2015 with substantial completion in winter 2016.

KIPP Sunshine Peak Academy (SW)

Identified Need

Southwest Regional Summary: Performance & Choice Gaps

Overall regional strategy
Capacity may continue to be a concern due to regional student-age population increases that are resulting from gentrification in northwest Denver that are forcing families to move south. While elementary performance is inconsistently improving, district MS performance continues to be a concern. The consideration of enrollment zones at the MS level should lead to improved programs for students.

	Key gaps	Steps Taken	Strategies Going Forward
Performance Gaps	Elementary school performance: (1,891 seats, or 20% are orange/red)	Several regional programs remain in the tier 2 support framework (page 69).	Continued support for schools in the tier 2 support framework (page 69).
Performance Gaps	Secondary school performance: (3,048 seats, or 13% are orange/red)	Phase-out of Kepner MS and introduction of new programs in its place for 2015-16. Several regional programs remain in the tier 2 support framework (page 69).	Significant supports needed to improve performance at regional schools (page 69).
Choice Gaps	Elementary Level: 93% of families received their top 5 choice.		
Choice Gaps	Secondary Level: 93% of families received their top 5 choice.	Several regional MS programs are very popular with long waiting lists, while other options continue to have low interest.	

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Key gaps

Secondary school performance:
(3,048 seats, or 30% are orange/red)

Steps Taken

Phase-out of Kepner MS and introduction of new programs in 2015-16 and 2016-17.

Delayed opening of 3 new Middle Schools and phase-out of Kepner until 2016.

Solution / Recommendation

\$5,000,000 to replace existing modular building with new larger semi-permanent structure with approximately 16 classrooms. The expansion will allow school to increase enrollment by 130 students.



Status

- KSPA is presently located at 375 S. Tejon St. on the Rishel-KSPA-Valverde campus.
- There are two buildings on DPS land; 1- permanent building built with bond funds (DPS owned) and 1- temporary single story building (KSPA owned)
- KSPA is high-performing with high demand. This project replaces a 1-story 12 classroom building with a 2-story 16 classroom building. DPS would own the new building.
- KSPA is simultaneously seeking additional monies from the BEST program to supplement the 2012 Bond Premium funds for an even larger envisioned expansion
- Estimated design is from Apr– Aug 2015 and demolition/construction TBD.

GALS High School Phase I (NW)

Identified Need

Girls Athletic Leadership School was approved to expand into high school beginning Fall 2014. Current Del Pueblo facility insufficient to serve projected enrollment and secondary level needs.

Solution Recommendation

\$2,700,000 to fund Phase I of multi-phase project to accommodate GALS High School at Del Pueblo. Project includes construction of a high school gym and creation of 6 classrooms in existing building.

Phase 2 would be included as a 2016 bond project request estimated at approximately \$5.5M including completion of gym and additional classrooms.

Status

- Girls Athletic Leadership School (GALS) is located at 750 Galapago St., the former Del Pueblo Elementary School.
- There are two portions of this work: interior modifications and the Gym addition.
- Both will start construction in Jun 2015. Interior complete Aug 2015, Gym addition complete Jan 2016.

Sandoval Campus Additional Program Areas (NNE)

Identified Need

Near Northeast Regional Summary: Demographic/Capacity Gaps			Key gaps	Steps Taken	Strategies Going Forward
<p>Overall regional strategy While recent program openings will support enrollment growth, further capacity will be needed in 2016 to meet increased elementary and middle enrollment coming from Stapleton. Performance gaps remain north of City Park.</p>					
	Key gaps	Steps Taken			
	Preschool capacity	Additional seats offered at High Tech Elementary, Isabella Bird, and Ashby to meet growing neighborhood needs.		Consider increasing ECE offerings and expansion to address Blackhawk.	
	Elementary seating capacity	Isabella Bird Community School opened in August 2013 and expanded to 1000 seats for Fall 2014. High Tech Elementary is set to open in Fall 2014.	High School seating capacity: Stapleton	Additional elementary seats will be needed in 2016 and opened in the neighborhood growth in the area. Additional seats will be added to address the development at Blackhawk.	<i>Paul Sandoval High School campus in North Stapleton will be opening Fall 2015, with ~1,000 seats of capacity</i>
	Middle School seating capacity: Park Hill - Stapleton	Relocated McAuliffe MS to the Smiley campus to meet Greater Park Hill Stapleton demand. Denver Discovery opening on the Swigert-McAuliffe campus Fall 2014. Denver Conservatory Green opened Fall 2014.		Additional MS seats will need to be opened in 2016 and opened in 2017 to meet Greater Park Hill Stapleton zone enrollment growth.	
	High School seating capacity: Stapleton	High School campus in North Stapleton will be opening Fall 2015, with 1,000 seats of capacity.		Phase 2 of High School campus needed in 2018 to support program growth.	
	Off-track offerings	Existing programs are not meeting needs.		None needed at this time.	

Solution / Recommendation

Leverage remaining funds from Phase 1 (\$800k) plus additional **\$6,300,000** (for a project total of \$7,100,000) to develop a portion of 3rd building now. Final scope would be developed during design phase based upon desired features and limited to the allocated funding.

Status

- Sandoval Campus is located at the corner of 56th Avenue and Central Park Boulevard
- The current campus is set for a August 2015 completion. Completion of construction of the 3rd building will extend beyond August 2015.
- The Design of the 3rd building is underway. Decision on Change Order with current GC or new bid on the open market is pending:
 - Staying with the current GC yields the faster delivery, however new bid on the open market could bring a better price.
 - Negotiations with the current GC are ongoing.

Bruce Randolph Turf Field

Identified Need

Due to heavy use need to re-sod every couple of years, the current field situation creates a safety, maintenance and equity need given that most other large high-schools have turf fields

Solution Recommendation

\$1,642,000 to replace degraded soccer field with turf field

Benefits / Justification

DPS currently has 11 artificial turf fields:

- North
- South
- West
- East
- Jefferson
- Kennedy
- Abe Lincoln
- Washington
- Manuel
- Evie Dennis
- Montbello

Status

- Bruce Randolph is located at 3955 Steele St.
- Estimated hire of the design team in Apr-May 2015, Design of the athletic field is estimated May 2015-Sep 2015, Construction is May-Aug 2016 or Jun-Sep 2016 (dependent on school input).

Facility Allocation Policy – Purpose and Overview

- Goal is to have all schools fully aligned with the mission and priorities of the district, and to establish policies that align district resource allocation, beyond resources that are shared with all schools on a per pupil basis, to maximize achievement of Denver Plan goals.
- To advance this goal, this policy is intended to clarify the approach for allocation of district facilities and district financial resources used to support the acquisition, construction, expansion or renovation of facilities, for new and existing schools.
- This policy formalizes some practices that have already been in place for several years, and is intended to provide additional clarity on expectations to prospective new schools as well as existing schools seeking facility support, recognizing that available district facilities are very limited and, with few exceptions, requests for new or expanded facilities will require allocation of incremental financial resources.

See Board of Education approved policy attached

BOC Next Steps

Other BOC News

- Board of Education approved Joe Shoemaker naming for Hampden Heights facility
- Started naming process for 2626 W. Evans with plans to have name approved by BoE in May

Next Steps

- Next meeting Friday April 17th at 7:30AM