OPENING:
CPAC Co-chair Ruben Valdez kicked off the meeting by thanking committee members for their dedication and commitment to the process. He then provided a quick overview of the agenda. Speaker Valdez then introduced Scott Lassard, succession principal at GW. Scott welcomed the CPAC to GW, thanked them for the work and discussed the GW program and how potential bond investments would help the program’s students.

PROCESS UPDATE:
CPAC co-chair Bruce Hoyt reconnected the CPAC with their mission, to make recommendations to the Board of Education regarding prioritized investments for the bond and mill levy. Bruce then discussed the remaining CPAC process first with Bond sub-committee recommendations reported on May 9th and then the full committee re-convening on May 23rd. Bruce discussed how the mid-point of the bond sub-committee recommendations add to $572M and that the co-chairs don’t expect to add significantly above that figure.

DPS Chief Operating Officer David Suppes then discussed the meeting process, with each sub-committee reporting out on their process and what investments made their mid-range package. Each sub-committee also had the opportunity to discuss their investments that did not make the cut. At the end of the meeting, the bond groups could express their opinion on borderline investments.

FACILITY MAINTENANCE
Sub-committee leaders Lauri Dannemiller and Dace West discussed the process the sub-committee used to arrive at their recommendations. They also highlighted how committee feedback shaped the maintenance recommendations for heat mitigation and sustainability. Trena Deane, Executive Director of Facility Management provided some greater detail around the heat mitigation and sustainability recommendations.

A committee member asked about the distribution of heat mitigation investments. The response was that they will occur in all district-owned facilities. Another committee member asked about the quantity of unfunded 1.2’s and 1.3’s (the next highest prioritized maintenance investments). The response is that the funded 1.1 and 1.2 projects are expected to keep our facilities safe and operable for the course of a 2016 bond. There may be unexpected breakdowns that might occur but the district can leverage capital reserves to address those in a timely manner.

CAPACITY AND QUALITY LEARNING ENVIRONMENTS
Sub-committee leader Lisa Roy framed the discussion with the process that the sub-committee took to understand both the Capacity and Quality Learning Environment (QLE) needs and then prioritize those
needs. Brian Eschbacher, Director of Planning, Analysis and Choice, provided more detail on the enrollment needs driving the demand for new capacity and specifically which capacity projects were prioritized by the sub-committee.

A sub-committee member asked for information on modulars. The response was that most of the new capacity is planned to be new construction and not modular. However, given the breadth of need the sub-committee did not prioritize replacing existing modular with new construction. A sub-committee member asked about the FRL population of capacity investments. Brian shared estimates for new schools based on the neighborhoods and actual information for existing program information.

Next, Liz Mendez Director of Operation Support Services described the sub-investments within Quality Learning Environments with greater detail. A committee member asked about the split between charter and district-managed schools and Liz identified the school governance model where appropriate. A committee member asked about Innovative Classroom Upgrades; Liz described the process for Innovative Classroom investments, how it will be a community process involving CSC’s and teachers so that it is truly a community supported investment.

Committee member Lee White then spoke in favor of prioritizing an expansion at Kepner for Rocky Mountain Prep.

TECHNOLOGY:

Sub-committee leader Ed Cotter shared the process which the technology sub-committee undertook to develop their investments. Robin Stehle, Deputy CIO, then shared greater detail around the four buckets of technology investments: Personalized Learning and Great Teachers in Every Classroom; Student Safety and Improved Services for Families; Operational Efficiencies and Customer Service Improvements; IT Infrastructure and System Modernization.

A committee member asked about how the committee factored in obsolescence. Robin responded that the current estimate for device life span is 3-4 years and that the sub-committee factored in a 50% refresh later in the bond (i.e., $100 per pupil up front and $50 per pupil later in the bond). Robin also described how the team continually evaluates new devices and updates recommendations to schools.

CONCLUSION:

Co-chair Eddie Koen closed the meeting, asking committee members to turn in their response forms and reminded folks about the final meeting at Bruce Randolph on Monday May 23rd.
Attendees
Albert Habercorn
Anayansi Cabral
Anna Jo Haynes
Barbara Chin
Bruce Hoyt
Bruce Rau
Chet Seward
Dace West
Deborah Saint-Phard
Diana Romero-Campbell
Ed Cotter
Eddie Koen
Heather Lamm
James Moore
Karen Taylor
Lauri Dannemiller
Lisa Roy
Luchia Brown
Mary O’neil
Michon Schmidt
Mike Cerbo
Patricia Frederico
Ruben Valdez
Stalker Henderson
Sue Allon
Tammi Hollaway