

River Grove, Marine Area Community School strategic planning process, including understanding facility needs and options.

DRAFT for discussion November 5, 2018

Objective:

Hear from community and staff thoughts regarding strategic direction of the School to inform the Board's definition of the learning program and structure in 3 year and 10 year terms.

Given the Vision and Mission, and the primary purpose of charter schools by Statute, specifically improving all pupil learning and all student achievement:

Questions to answer in the context of the strategic plan.

1. What is the grade configuration vision for the school?
 - a. Single section, multiple sections, K-6, K-8, other?
2. What is the timeframe in which the grade configuration vision should be achieved?
3. What are the site and facility needs to implement the vision of project-based learning that embraces the natural resources, history, arts, and civic stewardship of the community?
4. What is the best site/facility scenario in 3 years, 5 years, 10 years based upon the responses to Questions 1. – 3.?

Then we need to get information on how to implement the vision, if the grade configuration or facility and site needs change:

1. Meet with the Minnesota Guild to discuss what is needed for the Supplemental Affidavit. Note, this is due to MDE by October 1. The Guild may want it August 1, 60 days in advance.
2. Meet with MDE to discuss their expectations for adding a primary enrollment site or moving sites, and the timeframe - If that is the direction of the strategic plan discussions.
3. Discuss with MDE eligibility to seek CSP expansion funds.

If both Wilder Forest and Marine Elementary sites are determined to fulfill the needs of the school, conduct due diligence on Wilder Forest property and Marine Elementary property:

1. Long term viability of both sites to implement the vision
2. Cost implications of each site individually and in a split campus scenario
 - a. Physical
 - b. Staffing