

REPORT FROM  
BOARD OF EDUCATION WORKSHOP  
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# THE WORKSHOP AGENDA WAS DIVIDED INTO THREE PARTS:

- 2012-2013 Planning
- Additional 2011-2012 Projects
- Longer Term Planning

# 2012-2013 PLANNING

- Our state legislature continues to act in ways that diminish local control
- Intent language regarding 2012-2013 kindergarten funding that was a part of the 2011-2012 School Aid Bill clouds planning
  - Will intent become reality?
  - In the past, intent language has not translated into reality.

# 2012-2013 PLANNING

- Consideration of kindergarten formats (expanding all-day programs beyond two buildings) will be a part of detailed planning for 2012-2013 (process begins in January/February).
  - Key Information: Mid-January State Revenue Consensus Report
  - Key Questions:
    - Is this good for children?
    - How will this improve student learning?

# 2012-2013 PLANNING

- Updates to Elementary School Transfer Process (Open Enrollment):
  - C. Goodgine Presentation
  - Timeline: March 1 – April 30, 2012
  - This timeline puts transfer requests after final decision regarding kindergarten formats is made.

# 2012-2013 PLANNING

- Schools of Choice for 2012-2013
  - Grades K-3
  - May 1 – August 3, 2012 enrollment window
  - Occurs after district residents have had the opportunity to request elementary transfers
- Continued exploration of how best to serve students with special needs: In district programs versus county-wide and out of district cooperative programs.

# ADDITIONAL 2011-2012 PROJECTS

- Administrative Reorganization
  - Flattening structure
  - Creating a more direct relationship between school building leaders and superintendent
- Best Practices Documentation
  - Shared services report plus other mandated best practices
  - Qualification for additional \$100/student
  - To be completed by February
- Policy Development: Transition from internal stand alone process to use of policy service (NEOLA).

# LONGER TERM PLANNING: STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

- Year to year improvement
- Commitment to excellence
- Target: Top quartile performance in Oakland County

# LONGER TERM PLANNING: FACILITIES STRATEGY

- Affirmed commitment to equity among elementary facilities
- Planned work at two of the six elementary buildings has not been done due to lack of property sales revenue
  - A strategy will be developed for completion of needed core infrastructure work (Plumbing, electrical, and mechanical) at Oakland and Oakridge
  - Report on strategy to Board by early spring.

# LONGER TERM PLANNING: FACILITIES STRATEGY

- Technology infrastructure needs (bandwidth capacity, access points, connectivity) are as critical as “brick and mortar” needs.
  - Technology assessment is being completed by a third party.
  - The assessment will be shared with the Board when it is completed.
  - A report on strategy for meeting needs will be communicated to Board by early spring.

# LONGER TERM PLANNING: FACILITIES STRATEGY

- Facilities study which was updated this fall documents \$19,784,366 in needs
- A long term plan is critical
- Facilities strategy must include funding for short term as well as long term needs
- Bottom line: For the benefit of students, the community investment in facilities needs to be protected and maintained

# LONGER TERM PLANNING: DISTRICT VISION

- Stay tuned...