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Long-Term Facilities Planning

The School District of Reedsburg is focused on creating innovative facilities with modern learning environments that will support rigorous academic programs and career pathways for ALL students. The aim of long-term facilities planning is to map out, over time, how existing facilities can best be adapted to support future educational programming, which aging buildings should be considered for replacement, and when deferred maintenance needs should be addressed.

Key Takeaways from May 24, 2023, Board Workshop

- Thoroughly reviewed the updated final Destination Scenarios 1 and 1B and discussed identified strengths and challenges associated with each.
- **Transitioning to Four Buildings:** Neither scenario allows the District to move immediately to four buildings when a new 5-8 middle school opens. Making the transition to four buildings will require either an addition to (or replacement of) Pineview Elementary School for both Scenario 1 and Scenario 1B. The size of the addition would need to be significantly larger under Scenario 1B.
- **5-8 Middle School Space Exploration:** Learned more about design strategies that support separating potential grade levels and using shared spaces. A potential new middle school for a 5-8 building would only need to be approximately 13% larger than a 6-8 building.
- Some of the **Career Exploration Improvements at Reedsburg Area High School** can be made without building updates. Remodeling of some spaces and updated equipment will be needed in the future.
- The enrollment projections from the Mark Roffers report assume current open enrollment numbers as of today moving forward. This report would need to be updated every few years to continue accurately representing future enrollment.
- The board came to a consensus on the long-range planning scenario to be recommended for Board action in June - Scenario 1. This scenario eliminates a lot of challenges and provides the best solutions for students, teachers, and taxpayers moving forward.
- At the June board meeting, looking to approve a 30-year long-term facilities plan. It is the final Destinations approval. It does NOT include any projects (referendum).

- The board should be proud of their due diligence and efforts with all Scenario reviews. The further exploration of Scenario 1B brought to the forefront the vast number of challenges and extra costs associated with it.
 - Attendance boundaries to balance building enrollment
 - The separation of 4K-4 teachers in two buildings disrupts collaboration
 - More extensive building modernizations and additions
 - Some students would have an additional school transition in order to balance capacity
- This long-term planning work doesn't factor in anything that happens with the state budget, but it is a plan for how the District can move forward with long-term facilities planning and management.
- The board reviewed the draft resolution to establish Fund 46 to understand further the value of its impact on the district along with the 10-Year Capital Projects Plan. The 10-Year Capital Projects Plan is a living document. Both will be recommended for Board action in June.