

Loveland City Schools Planning Commission

November 17th 2021 Committee Reports

Finance Committee:

Craig Lewis – Chair

Donel Autin, Brad Goldie, Jill Jones, Nathan Libby, Kirk McCracken, Lesley Hodge, Lynn Mangan

Extra-Curricular Activities Analysis

- Extra-Curricular School Activities Analysis
 - Jill discussed her conversation with Brian Conatster on the revised athletic numbers table. It was decided that we should insert the column which shows the total number of seasonal athletic participants, as with this number missing for the LHS, it makes it difficult to derive the new revenue numbers without seeing the total number of seasonal athletic participants. Craig will modify the table to show this.
 - Upon further scrutiny of the number of the LMS participants, it appears the number of students who played any sport seems too high. Craig will review the raw numbers on the Finance Google drive and report his findings to the Committee
 - Craig will draft an Executive summary for the report
- Income Tax Analysis
 - Lesley discussed a suggested modification she made to the language surrounding the regressive nature of an Earned Income Tax to add the word “generally”. The team discussed this and agreed to the change.
 - Regarding next steps, the team discussed that it likely makes sense to plan on presenting the analysis to the full PC in early January and then to the new Board of Education

Facilities Committee:

Dan Colletto – Chair

Leah Jewell, Kevin Kimnach, Alvin Kressler, Warren Winning, Michael Shiverski

Discussion Topics

1. Follow up on progress for identification and recommendation of the facility management system
2. Discussed process and or timeline to back fill John Ames upon his retirement
3. General updates on the facility management and repairs over the summer
4. State requirements for new construction; financing of same
5. Schools ventilation systems and air quality. Options to improve air quality within the schools.
6. Begin the review with the district on future funding for long term capital upgrades

Community and Communications Committee:

Lynn Mangan – Chair

Anna Bunker, Tara Hamilton, Lisa Moorehead, Susan Craig

Survey Research:

- Thought Exchange was researched as an option. With over a \$27,000/year price tag, the committee does not believe appropriate for the BOE to use at this time
- Suggestion was made to instead use a group of volunteers to help Communications Department (Andrew Setters) in researching survey design, type, frequency, implementation, and logistics of populating results using free resources like google and survey monkey.
 - Liability of volunteers helping was brought up as a concern, as was too many hands on data points
- Thought Exchange said they have no real competitors, which is not as hard to believe once you try to find one. There are several companies that do one portion of what Thought Exchange offers, but piecing it out to separate companies could prove to be more expensive. Would be more work intense as well.

Future Events:

- Suggestion was made to continue to encourage BOE members and Admin to be present at local/social events. Committee does not believe it should implement the attendance at the events, rather it is up to the BOE.
- Also suggested that community members are encouraged to invite BOE members and administrators to attend events. (Example given; Mr. Broadwater was at the Nest Gala because he was given two tickets and invited to go by a community member

Communicating the “Business” of the District:

- Suggestion that each time Andrew Setters posts an article or something about the business of the District, Loveland Beacon, Loveland Magazine, and Loveland Local News is copied/tagged.
- Committee still thinks quarterly “meet and greets” with BOE would be helpful to more transparently explain academic progress, financials, and career readiness.
- The Community Tab on the website could be “built” a bit more to include a calendar and explanations of the district's business. Summaries of the “business” portion of the district explained in meetings could also be posted here.
- Open Houses were also discussed as an option instead of “State of the Schools”. Starting with a High School one in November around the time private schools host them. Possibly adding open houses at other schools, offering parents and community members a chance to see inside the school, who’s teaching, what they’re teaching, and showcasing what the kids are learning/doing.

School Improvement/Student Experience Committee:

No meeting