



## Community Advisory Committee Meeting

7:00 PM - 9:00 PM | Location: Board Room

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1. Welcome and Introductions
  - a. Randy overview of last week.
  - b. Purpose is to see what the desires and wishes are of the Cal community.
    - i. Space at the high school
    - ii. Safety and security
    - iii. Technology
    - iv. Renovations on schools
  - c. Randy explains the school bond fund to extend our loan at current 7 mils without raising taxes to community.
  - d. Either this year looking 3 years down the road if bond passes in May, or new bond in 2017 with the start date of new building 2020.
  - e. Discussion of options
    - i. Kraft as a freshman campus, new middle school
    - ii. Kraft as 8-9 building, new small 6-7 building
    - iii. New small High School, not the start of a new high school, but a place for high school students to attend.
  - f. Janel opens up the audience to questions:
    - i. Last week  $\frac{2}{3}$  of the community do not have kids in the school, I'm curious how many have young enough kids that will be in elementary soon.
      1. Roughly 350 kids in kindergarten, times that by 4 for future years.
      2. Consider people who have grandkids in our district.
2. Update on District Activities
  - a. Focus Groups
  - b. Survey- Will be online, Janel send chamber of commerce the link to put on their website. Advertise in the sun and news.
  - c. Consultation with other districts- 3 Districts are all sharing the same mission, all schools are working on one academic program due to flexibility and opportunity.
  - d. QUESTION: How far apart are the two school model districts?
  - e. QUESTION: Does Zeeland have two separate athletic programs.
  - f. QUESTION: What does Hudsonville 9+ school look like?
    - i. All freshman together with other departments in the school. Like a small campus.
  - g. QUESTION: How are the three districts that were visited sitting now, are they running out room? What is there plan?

- i. Gartner: Cal is very similar to Hudsonville. Hudsonville used Zeeland experience that separated the community with two schools. Hudsonville and Rockford wanted to be eagles and rams. Schools were built with flexibility to grow.

### 3. Defining Priorities

- a. Priority 1- Additional space for High School Students
  - i. Randy- Looking to work with colleges, having professors come to Cal to teach the course.
  - ii. Janel/Gary share that a building has to be 70% full to be built/open when our high school was built 10 years ago. Rules have changed to 85% now.
- b. Group activity- Defining criteria to evaluate options
  - i. operating costs new ms
  - ii. proximity to existing hs
  - iii. social aspect
  - iv. expandability/flexibility
  - v. important to finish other priorities, 5 other buildings with needs, don't just focus on the high school space
  - vi. community unity
  - vii. academic opportunities for different scenarios
  - viii. co curricular activities that are offered
  - ix. does this project help make kids college and career ready
  - x. length of the process, what is our 3-5 year plan, 5-10 year plan
  - xi. staffing/duplication of services pros/cons
  - xii. proper naming 9+ campus, making sure to present what opportunities
  - xiii. keep the focus on quality, not glitzy
  - xiv. safety, especially if kids are traveling from school to school

### 4. Defining and Reviewing Options

- a. Scenario A- seemed pretty cut and dry.
- b. Scenario B- a lot of questions...relationships vs. academic opportunities between a freshman campus and an 8-9 building.
- c. Scenario C- building a smaller version of a high school that could be expanded on. Where would this building go? Exploring 3 options?

### 5. Assignment

- a. Complete option review paperwork by **Nov. 27**
- b. Return to Janel Switzer ([switzerj@calschools.org](mailto:switzerj@calschools.org))
- c. 9753 Duncan Lake Ave. Caledonia MI 49316
- d. Any consideration in having the kids at the high school be a part of the survey?

### 6. Next Steps

- a. Review Enrollment Data
- b. Review Focus Group Data
- c. Review Survey Results

**ACTION ITEMS:**

JANEL, EMAIL SURVEY LINK TO REBECCA, (CHAMBER OF COMMERCE) TO HAVE POSTED ON WEBSITE. ADVERTISE THE LINK IN THE SUN AND NEWS.

JANEL, EMAIL OUT TO ATTENDEES THE LIST OF CRITERIA GENERATED ON STICKY NOTES.

JANEL, EMAIL OUT THE ELECTRONIC COPY OF EACH SCENARIO.

**Community Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule**

<b>Agenda</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
Enrollment Data Survey results Additional Projects	Monday, Dec. 2	7:00pm	Board Room
Building Options	Monday, Dec. 9	7:00pm	Board Room