Long Range Planning Committee

Minutes of the November 13, 2019 meeting

Present: Joe Phelan, Tom Burnell, Jaclyn Savolainen, Steve Jenkins, Diane Lyons

The Committee reviewed some updated five-year enrollment projection data for CLS. The current data clearly shows three sections of students in K-4 and four sections and a self-contained class in the 5th grade.

The Committee discussed that it has been typical for more students to move into the district in the middle school than in the elementary school or the high school. Looking at the enrollment numbers, even if 10 additional students enrolled in each grade, the number of sections at the middle school likely would drop to three and stay at three into the foreseeable future.

If the current kindergarten numbers continue in the same direction as in the current year, it is not out of the question that we could be looking at two sections at each grade level. In the middle and high school, teachers currently are scheduled to teach five sections in the high school and four sections in the middle school.

The Committee also looked at the current master schedule in all three buildings. The Committee started to discuss setting up a date for a "listening session," to provide an opportunity to hear from the staff regarding their thoughts on long-range planning within the context of declining enrollment and resource restrictions due to the tax levy cap. If possible, the Committee would like to set this up for an afternoon in December.

Next meeting: November 19

Respectfully submitted,

Diane Lyons