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Director Riley Gettens
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Dear Ms. Gettens,


I am writing on behalf of the Board to thank you for your presentation to the Board of Education at our Business Committee meeting on May 11, 2021 regarding a proposed "Parkland and Community Hub Project" for West Bench Elementary School.

On May 13, myself and the District's executive team connected with RDOS C.A.O. Bill Newell and RDOS Chair Karla Kozakevich via a Teams virtual meeting. During this meeting, the District provided an update on the process and timeline for the current Long-Range Facilities Plan and discussed your presentation to the Board. In April, the District's Long-Range Facilities Plan consultant reported to the board on projected student enrolments and enrolment and capacity analysis. This public report, and other related Long-Range Facilities information, is available on our District website.

The District is anticipating a final Long-Range Facilities Plan report with recommendations from the consultant in the fall of 2021. After receiving those recommendations, the Board will begin a community consultation process to discuss long-range facilities matters and planning. In terms of communication with the RDOS, the District has committed to connect again with C.A.O. Newell and Chair Kozakevich in the fall as we receive the additional report and recommendations from the consultant.

We look forward to continuing the conversation regarding partnerships with the RDOS and School District No. 67 as part of our completed Long-Range Facilities Planning process.

Sincerely,


James Palanio
Chair, Board of Education

c.c. RDOS C.A.O., Bill Newell
RDOS Chair, Karla Kozakevich

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