

Regional School District 13  
Board of Education  
Utilization Committee Meeting  
January 17, 2014

Committee Members Present: Robert Fulton (Chair), Merrill Adams, Kerrie Flanagan,  
Members Absent: Norm Hicks

Also Present: Dr. Kathryn Veronesi, Superintendent

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by Robert Fulton in the Central Office Conference Room.

Public Comment: There were no members of the public present.

Agenda approval: The agenda was unanimously approved by a motion from Mrs. Adams seconded by Mr. Fulton.

Approval of minutes: The minutes of the December 6, 2013 meeting was unanimously approved by a motion from Mrs. Adams seconded by Mr. Fulton.

Demographics Update:

The “RSD 13 Comprehensive School Enrollment” report prepared by Milone and MacBroom was reviewed. The report includes information on census data specific to Durham and Middlefield. Trends and projections relative to birth rate, unemployment, and housing were reviewed. School enrollment history and projections were reviewed with specific details that will be shared at the next community forum. The projections indicate a 30% decrease from SY 14-15 to SY 23-24. The next five year projections are based on live births so we can be confident in the projections, the subsequent five years, while less certain are based on local data and best predictors.

Discussion regarding various options that had been presented by DRA were reviewed and a decision was made regarding the format of the presentation as well as which options, based on current enrollment projections, would be best to share.

Workshop 3:

Format: Full group presentation and dialogue, introduction from team, agendas for everyone, begin with demographic information, Milone and MacBroom will present the enrollment study information.

Setting: CRHS auditorium on February 19, 2014 at 7:00pm, podiums for questions, displays set up in atrium or along back

Goals:

- Restate that this is a process by which we are continuing to make decisions regarding the best space utilization
- Communicate that the Board would like to direct funds primarily to educational programming
- Communicate enrollment analysis and projections

- Review Options:C- 1,C- 3, and C-4 including phased implementation
- Review consideration comparisons for all designated options to highlight rationale behind choice
- Articulate impact of options on program choice
- BOE to outline the next steps in the process

Future Committee Meetings: Future meetings will be scheduled at a later date following the next community workshop.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 10:27am.