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Facilities Planning Committee Meeting
May 27, 2026
SASED Administrative Center
2900 Ogden
Lisle, IL 60532
2:00 PM
AGENDA

1. **Call to Order/Roll Call**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Approve Meeting Minutes from April 15, 2026**
4. **Potential Properties Update**
5. **Southeast Property Update**
6. **Review Timeline**
7. **Construction Manager Consideration**
8. **Summer Meetings**
9. **Adjournment**

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MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Mark Cross, Committee Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 2:03 pm and welcomed those in attendance.

1. **Roll call was taken with the following responding:**

	District	Representative
Present:	DuPage County School District 45	Dr. Brian Graber
	Salt Creek School District 48	Dr. Amy Zaher
	Maercker School District 60	Dr. Sean Nugent
	Cass School District 63	Mr. Mark Cross
	Community High School District 99	Dr. Hank Thiele
Absent:	West Chicago Elementary School District 33	

Present: 5 Districts **Absent:** 1 Districts

Also in attendance:
Dr. Jean Barbanente, Board of Directors Chairperson, SD88
Dr. Kim Dryier, Executive Director, SASED
Ms. Rachel Wisniewski, CSBO, SASED
Dr. Lizzy Vander Woude, Asst Dir Programs & Services, SASED
Mr. Dan Lawler, Technology Coordinator, SASED
Mr. John Langton, Facilities Specialist, SASED
Ms. Senga Lowe, Board Recording Secretary, SASED

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Approved Meeting Minutes**
A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes from the February 25, 2026 meeting, as presented. This motion was made by Member Graber and seconded by Member Thiele. Upon voice vote of all ayes from five districts present, motion passed.

4. **Potential Properties Update**
Dr. Dryier and Mr. Langton provided more detailed information regarding the two potential properties in Oakbrook and Westmont. Mr. Langton stated that the roof would need to be replaced at the Oak Brook property. The Westmont facility is a little smaller than the Oakbrook property. There is a sense of urgency because they would like to lease out spaces that SASED will not use. The architect, Wight and Company, has looked at both buildings and has toured other cooperative locations. Wight and Company will provide renovation estimates as soon as possible. Mr. Langton will be meeting with the Oakbrook municipalities next week and Dr. Dryier will meet with the park district and other community members. The Oakbrook property will be less expensive and some of the mechanicals have already been replaced and have about a 50% lifespan left. Westmont's mechanical systems would have to be completely replaced and be budgeted for. Either building would need work completed to comply with Health Life Safety codes. The purchase of

the Oakbrook property would negotiate the division of properties of 1420 and 1520 Kensington Road which have the same owner. The Oakbrook property has a daycare center that leases space until 2032 and has the potential to lease out other spaces. The classrooms would be built out to meet the needs of SASED and has a lot of flexibility of the interior. A member asked if there are any other properties we looked at that are one story and look more like a school? Dr. Dryier stated that none of the available properties they have looked at are like a school.

Southeast property - Naperville SD203 stated that they would not be willing to pay more than $75,000 for the property, per the original contact. Dr. Dryier is working on the appraisal and searching for documents that show the cost that has been invested into the building. SASED could potentially look at leasing the Southeast building out although we would probably be responsible for the maintenance. The ROE may be a possible tenant as it could house their program and offices.

5. **Review Timeline**

   The committee discussed the withdrawal timeline if a member district chooses to withdraw from SASED and what that process would be. There is a concern regarding the timeline of the Joint Agreement bylaws and the date of withdrawal intention. The adoption of the revised Joint Agreement must come first. Member districts must commit to a decision to remain or withdraw by July 2026. The committee recommended that Dr. Dryier bring comparisons back to the Board of Directors in April showing options of the cost if we were to go with one facility.

6. **Next Steps**
   a. Dr. Dryier to call Wight and Company and get renovation costs.
   b. Policy Committee to finalize the revisions of the Joint Agreement.

7. **Adjournment**

   A motion was made to adjourn at 3:20 pm. This motion was made by Member Thiele and seconded by Member Zaher. Upon voice vote of all ayes from five districts present, motion passed.

Minutes Approved by:

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Committee Representative Date



SASED FACILITIES TIMELINE

Dr. Kim Dryier
SASED Executive Director

August 2028

- All SASED programs and offices have been successfully relocated
- 12-15 permanent satellite classes have been secured
- All SASED staff and students begin the school year in the new facilities

December 2026 or 2027

- SASED Administrative staff, Related Services, and Itinerant staff begin to transition to new facility(s)

November 2026 or 2027

- Notice needs to be given to 2900 lessor for termination of lease effective May 31, 2028

September/~~October~~ December 2026

- Construction begins
- New furniture and supplies are selected and ordered as appropriate

July 2026-*September 2026*

- Bids for construction open
- General Contractor approved

March-~~May 2026~~ August 2026

- Facility(s)may be secured and purchased
- Designs are in progress
- Costs are finalized

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Month 4 2026

- *Governing Board Authorizes Debt Certificates*

Month 3 2026

- *Underwriter selected*
- *Exact cost of debt needed needs to be determined*
- *Districts issue Certificates of Allocation*

Month 2 2026

- *Finance Committee to review confirmed costs for districts based on SASED enrollment*
    - *Share costs at Board Meeting*
- *Once estimate cost is determined, submit RFP for underwriter*
    - *PMA assists with RFP*
- *Construction Manager RFP submitted*
- *Bylaws need to be passed by BOD and GB*
- *SASED issues letter of intent to purchase*

Month 1 2026

- *Work with Wight to develop estimate cost (in progress) and conduct evaluation of property*
- *Finance Committee works to identify district's allocation of debt, debt capacity, and length of debt-preliminary*
- *Board Tour of property offered*

Once SASED is ready to make an offer on a property-



December-~~February 2026~~ June 2026

- SASED Facility Plan is developed and finalized
- Estimated costs of renovations/construction are shared
- Funding option is determined and secured
- Focus Groups are facilitated

November 2025

- Cost analysis and anticipated cost offset is calculated
- Architect is finalized

October 2025

- Architect is finalized
- Potential Properties are pursued
- Facility Specialist was secured
- ~~Owner's Rep is finalized~~

September 2025

- Architect is finalized
- ~~Owner's Rep is pursued~~

*Modifications to this timeline will occur throughout this process