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Facilities Planning Committee Meeting
September 23, 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 May 27, 2026**
4. **Facility Update**
5. Review of Cost Estimates from Wight & Company
6. RFQ for Construction Manager
7. Review of Staffing and Operational Costs
8. **Adjournment**

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MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Mark Cross, Committee Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 2:02 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	Dr. Travis McGuire
	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

Due to the absence of Mr. Mark Cross, Dr. Kim Dryier appointed a Pro Tem Chairperson, Dr. Amy Zaher, for this meeting.

2. **Pledge of Allegiance**

3. **Approved Meeting Minutes**
   A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes from the April 15, 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 information regarding the status of the Oak Brook property. The team is feeling positive about the direction with the Village of Oak Brook and is waiting for a response from the bank, as they hold the deed to this property. After a discussion with the broker, Mr. Langton was informed that the bank would like to sell both buildings together and that we may be able to do a sale of both buildings in the same transaction and then separate the sale. Mr. Langton is waiting to hear back from the broker. As of right now, we are not considering any other properties, with the exception of the Westmont property.

Next steps: Waiting on a response from the bank. Once the bank agrees on the offer, Hiffman will facilitate a meeting with the mayor to discuss further. We have a 60 day timeline to get through the elements after an offer is placed. Dr. Dryier will reach out with an update to the committee as needed.

5. **Southeast Property Update**
   Dr. Dryier does not have an update on the Southeast property. Ms. Wisniewski is still waiting on an appraisal report from the appraisal visit that was completed on May 14th.

6. **Review Timeline**
   Dr. Dryier reviewed the updated facilities timeline in detail with the committee. The move out of the 2900 Ogden building is the highest priority for summer 2027.

7. **Construction Manager Consideration**
   Dr. Dryier feels very strongly that SASED will need a construction manager but would like the input of the committee regarding their experiences with construction projects within their districts. The committee discussed the pros and cons of working the construction side with your architect/design build team versus an independent construction manager. The committee provided insightful suggestions and experiences. If choosing the Construction Manager as part of the Architect, it is a good idea to discuss a guaranteed maximum contract. It was suggested that SASED release the RFP for a construction manager, as well as having an owner's representative, possibly Dr. Dryier and a Board member. It would be a good idea to invite CSBO's to be part of the review team.

8. **Summer Meetings**
   a. Dr. Dryier discussed the possible need for a summer meeting in late June or July. Ms. Lowe will send out a poll to the committee this week in order to gather possible dates to meet. We can meet virtually if it is just an informational meeting, as no action can be taken.

9. **Adjournment**
   A motion was made to adjourn at 2:37 pm. This motion was made by Member Thiele and seconded by Member Nugent. Upon voice vote of all ayes from five districts present, motion passed.

Minutes Approved by:

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Committee Representative Date