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Facility Sites, Sizes and Identification

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I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to establish the criteria and process for selecting sites for new District facilities or additions to existing buildings. The purchase of a site for a new building or expanding a site for an addition to an existing building is extremely complex and expensive. Property values are volatile, relocation is costly, and the removal of property from the tax rolls represents, aside from its initial purchase cost, a continuing cost to the District. It is necessary to consider these and other factors in making decisions regarding purchases of sites.

II. GENERAL STATEMENT OF POLICY

- A. A close, yet practical, relationship between site size, cost, and educational program shall be maintained in any determinations of need, location, and recommendation for acquisition.
- B. The District shall seek to cooperate with the Minneapolis Park Board and representatives of other public and private agencies enabling the joint use of property where programmatically and economically feasible and advantageous.
- C. The Superintendent may appoint an advisory Community Committee for Capital Needs to examine district needs for new construction or additions to current facilities. This advisory committee may report directly to the Superintendent or may be directed to report to the Board of Education. The specific charge and reporting structure shall be described in the charter for the appointed advisory.
- D. When additions or replacements of existing school facilities are recommended by the District or the advisory appointed by the Superintendent, the Superintendent shall communicate regarding the proposal with the existing facility's staff and community, and shall seek appropriate input from the school community and staff.

III. RESPONSIBILITY

- A. The Board of Directors shall make all final determinations regarding the identification and size of sites to be acquired for District purposes.
- B. When new buildings or additions to existing District facilities are recommended by any appointed advisory committee or the administration, the Superintendent shall make a recommendation supported by data to the Board of Directors for its approval.



- C. Upon approval by the Board of Directors, the Superintendent shall cause the site study and recommended location(s) to be presented to any other public body or agency from which approval is required.

- D. The Superintendent is authorized to promulgate regulations to implement this policy.

Legal References:

Minn. Stat. §123B.02 (General Powers of Independent School Districts)

Minn. Stat. §128D.04 (District Like Independent District; Exception)

Cross References:

MPS Policy 7530 (Joint Facilities Projects – Minneapolis Park and Recreation Board)