

Arrowhead Forward

Summary of Board Action

<u>DATE</u>	<u>SUMMARY</u>	<u>PRESENTATION(S)</u>	
Jan-14	Initial discussion on 5-Year capital projects plan shows Arrowhead requiring \$1,740,000 in repairs/maintenance costs from FY 14-15 through FY 18-19.	Five Year Capital Projects Plan	
Jun-15	Based on consultant's facility reviews, the district has pending capital improvements of \$2 million each at Arrowhead and Audubon elementary schools in the next 3-5 years and potentially \$10 million each in the next 5-10 years.	School Consolidation Update	
Apr-16	2016 Facilities Assessment study projected an investment of \$14,478,750 into Arrowhead Elementary School in the next 3-5 years. The building had no improvements since it was constructed in 1975.	N/A	
Jan-17	Redistricting scenarios with closure of Audubon and/or Arrowhead Elementary School.	Preliminary Redistricting Options	
Feb-17	Board considers whether to maintain/reduce number of elementary buildings.	Scenario Comparison	
Mar-17	Following the Feb 20, 2017 vote to close Audubon, the Board considered proposed adjusted boundaries.	Proposed Adjusted Boundaries	
Nov-18	Special Meeting of the Board to discuss future of Arrowhead Elementary - renovate, replace, or close. This discussion included presentation of status of the district, enrollment projections, and debt considerations among other topics.	Special Meeting Presentation on Arrowhead Future	
Nov-18	10 Year Capital Projects Plan (FY 2018-FY2027) states that Arrowhead Elementary School, at minimum, warrants significant renovation and/or replacement in the near future. The plan also states that a global, district-wide decision should be made in the next year or so that best serves the community in the most economical and long-term thinking manner.	Facilities Master Plan Summary	
Jan-19	Dr. Zerbe presented options for the Board to consider with respects to the Arrowhead Elementary School in their determination to potentially renovate, close, or build a new school. The presentation outlined six potential options with Dr. Zerbe recommending that there are	Arrowhead Discussion and Recommendation	

	challenges with each of the options and, as such, he recommended that the Board consider passing a resolution where the Arrowhead Elementary School continues to operate as an elementary school in the Methacton School District. The Board passed this resolution in a 8-1 vote and directed Dr. Zerbe to prepare a timeline to consider renovation or potential new construction of Arrowhead Elementary School and to gather public and staff input in the process.		
Feb-19	Project Timeline of Arrowhead Forward process	Arrowhead Forward Project Timeline	
Mar-19	Letter to the Community released to announce Arrowhead Forward process, new Arrowhead Forward website, and invitation for public to sign up for building tours of Arrowhead Elementary.	Arrowhead Forward Letter to Community	
Mar-19	Board indicated items that should be considered as the district proceeds with the Arrowhead Forward process.	Presentation	Discussion of the Board
Mar-19	Debt scenarios showing what the potential borrowing would be if a new Arrowhead Elementary is built	Debt Service Scenarios	
Apr-19	Updated Arrowhead Forward project timeline	Updated Arrowhead Forward Project Timeline	
Apr-19	Dr. Zerbe provided the Board of School Directors with information regarding a request from the design professionals to provide direction on the targeted number of students and the targeted grade configurations for Arrowhead Elementary. Dr. Zerbe presented where he recommended, given the projected enrollment figures with projected student growth in the Arrowhead and Worcester Elementary serving area, the Board consider a 500 to 625 student building and keep the existing elementary grade configuration of K-4.	Grade Configuration and Target Student Count	
Jun-19	During the June 4, 2019 Special Meeting of the Board, KCBA Architects delivered a presentation on the potential considerations for renovation or new construction of Arrowhead Elementary School and the initial concept drawings. The recommendations included building a new school	Arrowhead Forward Presentation	

	and design for a capacity of 625 to accommodate future growth.		
Jun-19	Online survey was released on June 17, 2019 to gather public input about Arrowhead. Results were reviewed by the Board and considered by the Board.	Overview of Survey Results	
Jul-19	KCBA Architects delivered summary report on public feedback. KCBA shared that of the 534 respondents to the public survey, 400 identified themselves as Lower Providence Township residents, and of the total respondents, 67% either strongly agree or agreed with KCBA's recommendation to construct a new building behind the existing Arrowhead Elementary School.	KCBA Presentation on Public Feedback Report and Potential Next Steps	
Aug-19	During the August 20, 2019 Work Session meeting, the Board heard a presentation from KCBA on concept drawings for a new Arrowhead Elementary School. Mr. Bricker provided an update on finances associated with these discussions.	KCBA Presentation	New Construction/Renovation Financing
Jan-20	KCBA delivered a presentation that outlined the project progress, site design goals, and preseted renderings of the proposed elementary school.	KCBA Presentation	
Apr-20	KCBA delivered a presentation that provided a recap of the land development process which began in Dec 2020, and provided a more detailed design view of the proposed Arrowhead Elementary School.	KCBA Presentation	
May-20	KCBA updated the Board on the planning status for a new Arrowhead Elementary School. The presentation included a review of the site planning including phases and safety measures while new construction occurs on the same site as the existing building. A review of the storm water matters and the development over time of the reductions and additions to the original concept were outlined. The primary purpose of the meeting was to share with the Board the results of the third-party cost estimate, which is currently estimated at \$34,838,362. The Board and the administration will be working with KCBA to find	KCBA Presentation	

	means to reduce costs and provide construction and material alternates that can help drive the overall costs lower on bid day.		
July-20 /Aug-20	The ACT 34 public hearing advertisement was posted on the district's website on July 31, 2020 and published in the Times Herald and Pottstown Mercury on August 3, 2020.	ACT34 Hearing Notice (website)	Newspaper Ad
Aug-20	KCBA updated the Board with a review of the cost estimates associated with the construction of a new Arrowhead Elementary School. The presentation also included bidding alternates as a cost-saving measure. In August, KCBA also shared a video rendering of the new construction.	KCBA Presentation	Video Rendering of New Construction
Sep-20	ACT 34 public hearing took place on September 8, 2020 at Arcola Intermediate School Auditorium.	ACT 34 Hearing Video	ACT 34 Documents
Sep-20	KCBA presented the latest Arrowhead project schedule to the Board.	Arrowhead Project Schedule Presentation	
Oct-20	ACT 34 testimony is posted to the district website.	Act 34 Testimony	
Nov-20	In a 9-0 vote, the Methacton Board of School Directors approved bids for the construction of a new Arrowhead Elementary School.	Arrowhead New Construction Bid Result Presentation	