



Board of Education Informational Report

MEMORANDUM

Date: August 28, 2017

To: PPS Board of Directors

From: Dr. Laura Parker, *Chief Strategic Officer*

Subject: Middle School Implementation: Updates to Budget Request and Committee Timelines

On August 15th, an overview of the Harriet Tubman and Roseway Heights Middle School implementation plan was presented to the PPS Board of Directors. The presentation indicated three critical decisions needed before moving forward in the implementation plan:

1. Board approval of naming the MS Feeder Schools
2. Board approval of Feeder Pattern Implementation Plan
3. Board approval of financial resources needed to execute

In order to support Board approval of these critical matters, the following steps have been or are in the process of being completed:

Budget Allocation: As indicated in the August 15th overview presentation, the financial resources needed to execute on this project plan, total approximately \$10.5 million. In examining the core investments needed to open the two middle schools, a number of investments can be planned for in the FY19 budgeting process. Budget analysts have examined the current FY18 budget allocations, as well as projects that are bond compensable, to determine the breakdown of funding sources and potential asks to fund the middle school implementation. Staff anticipate the following breakdown of funding sources:

- \$2.2m Bond Compensable facilities upgrades
- \$1.0m currently allocated in the FY18 General Fund Budget
- \$2.9m in additional monies needed for FY18
- \$4.6m anticipated allocation in the FY19 General Fund Budget

To support approval of the additional \$2.9m needed for FY18, staff will provide the Board with an itemized budget amendment on September 12th. During the budget process for FY19, staff will also provide the required justifications to ensure appropriate funds are allocated during the next budget cycle.

Middle School Feeder Plan & Implementation Plan: To support an October decision on naming the feeder schools for the two middle schools, the Board Enrollment & Forecasting Committee will be presented with options and considerations during their scheduled meeting on

September 7th for both the Tubman and Roseway Heights feeder patterns and implementation plans. At this time, we anticipate that a second meeting of the Enrollment & Forecasting committee will take place on September 18th. A plan for community engagement with respect to the feeder patterns will also accompany the regular Board updates and committee work throughout the month of September.

Middle School Framework: The Teaching & Learning Committee has also scheduled time on their upcoming agenda (tentatively scheduled for September 13th), to hear a presentation of the PPS Middle School Framework which guides the academic vision and student experience for Tubman and Roseway Heights Middle Schools. This will be an opportunity for board members to gain deeper understanding of the academic program and student supports in PPS middle years programs.