MILLARD PUBLIC SCHOOLS

BOARD MEETING NOTICE

A Board Committee of the Whole meeting will be held on Monday, November 14, 2005, at 7:00 p.m. at the Don Stroh Administration Center, 5606 South 147th Street.

Public Comments on agenda items - <u>This is the proper time for public questions and comments on agenda items only.</u> Please make sure a request form is given to the Board Vice-President before the meeting begins.

AGENDA

- 1. 2006 Summer Projects
- 2. Middle School Schedule Changes
- 3. Technology Update
- 4. Substance Abuse Policy

Enclosure E.4. November 21, 2005

Minutes Committee of the Whole November 14, 2005

The members of the Board of Education met for a Committee Meeting on Monday, November 14, 2005 at 7:00 p.m. at the Don Stroh Administration Center, 5606 South 147th Street. The agenda items include: 2006 Summer Projects, Middle School Schedule Changes, Technology Update and Substance Abuse Policy.

PRESENT: Mike P

Mike Pate, Julie Johnson, Linda Poole, Brad Burwell, and Jean Stothert

ABSENT:

Mike Kennedy

Others in attendance were Keith Lutz, Ken Fossen, Mark Feldhausen, Judy Porter, Kirby Eltiste, Craig Whaley, Kraig Lofquist, and other administrators.

A consumer science teacher expressed her concern on the proposed changes in the middle school schedule, because she believes it will be difficult to cut a nine week class to six weeks, and this would reduce the time to get to know the students.

Ed Rockwell reviewed the multiple summer projects that would be disruptive if scheduled during the regular school year. Usually, each year \$3 million is allotted for summer projects. The projects will involve paving, track repair, irrigation, storage building, roofs, doors/frames/ flooring, fire alarm, HVAC, plumbing, and painting at the various buildings. Projects were prioritized by the Special Projects Committee.

Ken Fossen reviewed several issues in regards to the remodeling of Ackerman Elementary School. Some of the options liscussed were quite extensive and expensive, so the board was in agreement that they would need some time to consider all of the options.

Judy Porter reported on the proposed changes to the middle school schedule as set out in the Strategic Plan in Action Plan 5-12 #5, which states: "Develop a proposal for a PreK-12 world language program." The recommendations are in line with the district middle school philosophies and practices. These changes would allow for foreign language to begin earlier, health class would become a full class in the 6th grade, and the changes would allow integration of computer applications to core classes as well as in a stand-alone class. The downside of the proposal would cut nine week exploratory classes down to six week classes, and changes in staffing would occur. The middle school principals are in agreement with the proposed changes to the middle school schedule.

Mark Feldhausen reported on the 3Com Urban Challenge Grant the district received in 2004. After using this for six months it was determined that it will not provide the broadband network system that is needed for the Millard Public Schools. As of November 7, 2005 a Request for Proposal was released to address the proposed Wide Area Network and telephone solutions for the Millard Public Schools. This will be brought back to the board for approval in December.

During the discussion and review of the materials on the substance abuse topic, board members stressed how important it is to not only educate the students, but to educate the parents on the warning signs of students who use steroids, and what those side effects could be after years of abuse with steroids.

A teacher stated her concerns for the proposed changes in the middle level schedule, and she presented a list of questions that have been raised by special area teachers in regards to the proposed changes.

Brad R Durwel CHAIRMAN Public Comments - This is the proper time for public questions and comments on <u>any topic</u>. <u>Please make sure a request form is given to the Board Vice President before the meeting begins.</u>

AGENDA SUMMARY SHEET

AGENDA ITEM:	Summer Projects 2006			
MEETING DATE:	November 14, 2005			
DEPARTMENT:	General Administration			
TITLE & BRIEF DESCRIPTION:	Summer Projects 2006 – Roofing, paving, HVAC, etc. projects to be undertaken during the summer of 2006.			
ACTION DESIRED:	Approval Discussion _x Information Only			
BACKGROUND:	Each summer the District undertakes multiple projects that cannot reasonably be accomplished during the regular school year. We try to limit the total budget for summer projects to about \$3 million per year.			
	Attached is information outlining the projects that surfaced as the highest priorities. There were, of course, numerous other projects that had merit. These remain on the list for future work.			
	Unless directed to do otherwise, we will proceed with the design and bidding procedures related to the proposed projects. When the bids have been received, we will be returning to the board for awarding of the contracts.			
OPTIONS AND ALTERNATIVES:	Do no projects. Do other projects.			
RECOMMENDATION:	It is recommended that the summer projects proceed as proposed.			
STRATEGIC PLAN REFERENCE:	n/a			
IMPLICATIONS OF ADOPTION/REJECTION:	n/a			
TIMELINE:	Immediate			
RESPONSIBLE PERSON:	Ken Fossen, Ed Rockwell, and Kim Thompson			
SUPERINTENDENT'S APPROVAL:				

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Building Fund Project Requests for Summer 2006

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Projects requested were reviewed and prioritized by the district's Special Projects Committee on October 17, 2005

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Paving: Rohwer, Sandoz, RMS/WHS Sidewalks

•Track: BMS

•Irrigation: NHS, SHS, WHS

•Storage Bldg: Buell Turf Equip / SHS Track Equip

•Roofs: CMS Phase I-06, NMS Phase III of III

•Doors/Frames: Cottonwood, Harvey Oaks,

Hitchcock, AMS, NHS

•Flooring: Ezra, Neihardt, Willowdale, KMS

•Fire Alarm: Morton

•HVAC: Cottonwood, AMS, Rockwell Phase II of II

•Plumbing: AMS

•Painting: Gyms at Bryan & Cather

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Discipline	Sub Group	Location	Project Description	Priority Ranking	Estimated Project Cost
•					(Incl Fees & Testing)
Civil	Athletics	Beadle M S	Running track: Remove & recondition remaining asphalt surface, re-stripe	19	21,645
	Irrigation	High Schools (all)	Irrigation systems: Remote monitoring and management	16	50,310
	Paving	Rohwer	Replace 3,690 SF paving & curb at main drive, rout and seal all joints	15	49,916
		Sandoz	Remove and replace paving at HS playground, dock & west drive/parking	13	255,353
		Russell M S	Construct 900 LF of 6' public sidewalk along Q Street	3	76,858
		West H S	Construct 5,250 LF of 6' public sidewalk along Q St, 176th Ave, 180th St	4	200,937
			Estimated sub-total C		
Architectural	Athletics	Buell Stadium	Construct storage building for turf maintenance and SHS track equipment	na	277,306
	Doors Windows	Multiple Locations	Replace rusted window frames, door frames and doors	9	150,000
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	Flooring	Fzra	Carpeting: Replace throughout building	8	107,402
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		Neihardt	Carpeting: Replace throughout building	18	154,131
		Willowdale	Carpeting: Replace throughout building	20	103,467
		VVIIIOWaale	Carpeting. Replace throughout building	20	103,407
	Painting	Bryan	Repaint CMU walls in gym floor to ceiling, block graphics	12	5,265
		Cather	Repaint CMU walls in gym floor to ceiling, block graphics	11	5,265
	Poofing	Central M S	Re-roof: Phase I-06 of multiple (cost from low bid 3-9-05)	2	538,200
	rtooning	North M S	Re-roof: Phase III of III (cost from low bid 3-9-05)	1	319,900
		NOTHI W 3	Estimated sub-total ARCHITECTU	IPAL costs	
Mechanical	Plumbing	Andersen M S	Wash fountains (6): Replace with solid-surface at all student restrooms	6	25,740
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	HVAC	Andersen M S	Install de-humidification equipment at roof top make-up air units	10	435,240
		Cottonwood	Convert roof top units from pnuematic to DDC	7	29,250
		Rockwell	Heat pumps, controls and piping improvements Phase II of II (HP's included)	5	159,237
			Estimated sub-total MECHANICAL costs		649,467
Electrical	Fire Alarm	Morton	Replace all fire detection and notification devices throughout building	14	28,665
			Estimated sub-total ELECTRI	CAL costs	28,665
			Estimated sub-total 2006 construction	n costo	3,114,677
			Estimated sub-total 2006 construction costs 10% Contingency		
			Estimated total 2006 project requests		\$3,426, <mark>145</mark>

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Rohwer Paying









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Sandoz Paving









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RMS Sidewalks



WHS Sidewalks







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BMS Track Renovation



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Irrigation Management NHS, SHS, WHS

Connects local, independent irrigation controls to the computers of centrally-based managers through existing network and energy management systems

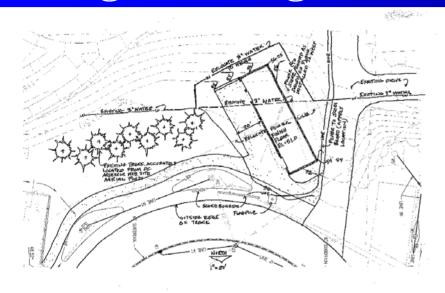
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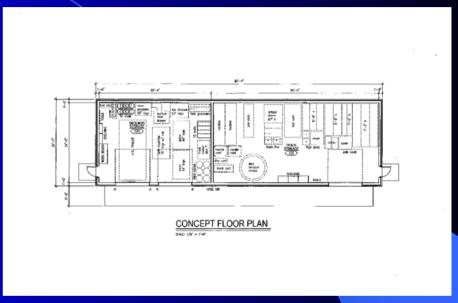
- •Provides full remote control of significant irrigation systems by district-level managers
- Reduces water consumption
- •Ensures district-wide continuity for irrigation practices, quantities, start/stop times, etc.

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Storage Building for Buell Turf and SHS Track





- •Turf maintenance requires storage for a substantial amount of specialized equipment and a stock of field repair materials
- •The SHS track equipment is currently being stored in a rented semi trailer and hauled off-site during the off season.

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Magnitude of Existing MPS Roofs

- •2.6 million sq. ft. (i.e., 58 football fields)
- •130,000 sq. ft./yr (20-year avg. life)
- •\$ 1.43 million/yr. budget (Bldg. Fund)
- •New roof area to be added through 2008:
 - •253,096 sq. ft. (5.6 additional football fields)
- •Existing roofs currently beyond 21 yrs:
 - ■16 Elementary Schools
 - 2 Middle Schools
 - 2 High Schools
 - 1 Support Services Center



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New Methods Developed for MPS Roofing:

- Roofing Solutions, Inc. (RSI) of Kansas City was hired to develop specifications and manage the planning and construction of all district roof projects
- •New performance-based specifications promote open competition among a number of pre-approved roof material manufacturers and local sub-contractors, while delivering high-quality, cost-effective roof systems
- •Elementary 24 was the first project to utilize these new methods
- •RSI has recommended Bahr, Vermeer, Haecker (BVH) of Omaha as their choice of architectural firms to prepare plans and bid documents
- •In tandem with the BVH contract administrator, RSI will provide an on-site inspector to verify compliance of roof construction operations
- •RSI can provide infra-red scanning as-needed, to locate problem issues both pre and post-construction

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CMS Re-roof Phase I-06









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NMS Re-roof Phase III of III









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Hollow Metal Frames: Multiple Locations









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Ezra Carpet Replacement









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Neihardt Carpet Replacement









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Willowdale Carpet Replacement









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KMS Flooring Replacement









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Morton Fire Alarm System Replacement

- •Most components of the system are original to the 1974 building
- •Reliability of the system is uncertain
- •Requests for repairs are numerous and frequent
- Troubleshooting and repairs are difficult and expensive
- System is incompatible with modern replacement components

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Cottonwood Digital Control for HVAC

- Provides modern digital control of roof units
- •Enables remote control within energy management system
- •Will improve ventilation control
- •Will improve temperature control
- •Will improve comfort levels for students and staff
- Reduce outages and emergency repairs
- •Will improve energy efficiency

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Rockwell HVAC Improvements Phase II of II

- •Phase I was completed in summer 2005
- Replaces original heat pumps remaining from 1977
- •Replaces sagging, obsolete PVC loop piping
- •Improves ventilation
- •Improves temperature control
- Reduce outages and emergency repairs
- Improves energy efficiency
- Helps to prevent mold growth

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AMS Dehumidification for Outside Air

- •1986 Original equipment does not condition outside air
- Project provides cooling for outside ventilation air at roof units
- •Humid outside air creates comfort and humidity issues
- •Rooms below-grade require higher-quality ventilation
- Conditions are worst when outside air is cool and humid
- •Humidity control is essential to prevent mold growth

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AMS Hand Wash Fountain Replacement









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Repaint Gym Walls

Bryan



Cather



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Cost Summary

Civil Projects 655,019

Architectural Projects 1,781,526

Mechanical Projects 649,467

Electrical Projects 28,665

10% Contingency 311,468

Total Capital Requests \$3,426,145

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AGENDA ITEM:	Ackerman Remodeling Issues			
MEETING DATE:	November 14, 2005			
DEPARTMENT:	General Administration			
TITLE & BRIEF DESCRIPTION:	Ackerman Remodeling Issues – Issues with regard to design and construction plans at Ackerman Elementary School			
ACTION DESIRED:	Approval Discussion _x Information Only			
BACKGROUND:	We are facing two types of issues in our plans to remodel Ackerman Elementary School. The first issue is related to the design. In order to do the substantial remodel consistent with the current building codes, we will need to create a storm shelter. This expense was not included in the original cost estimates. The cost of the storm shelter will range from \$200,000 - \$400,000 depending on how we approach the issue.			
	The second issue is construction related. More specifically, the issue is: "Do we go to the expense of incurring significant additional costs in order to get the project done during summers only?" If we don't want to incur the added expense (or if is not possible to do the project during summers only), "What do we do with the Ackerman students during the time of construction?"			
	Attached is a one-page summary of the design and construction alternatives. At the present time, the construction committee is of the opinion that the best alternatives are Option 3 (\$400,000) under the design issue and also Option 3 (use Elementary #25) under the construction issue.			
OPTIONS AND ALTERNATIVES:	See attached information.			
RECOMMENDATION:	See Design Issue Option 3 and Construction Issue Option 3.			
STRATEGIC PLAN REFERENCE:	n/a			
IMPLICATIONS OF ADOPTION/REJECTION:	n/a			
TIMELINE:	Immediate			
RESPONSIBLE PERSON:	Ken Fossen, Associate Superintendent (General Administration)			
SUPERINTENDENT'S				

ACKERMAN ISSUES

Design

Because the remodeling project is so substantial, we will need to bring to building to current building code requirements. The code will require us to create a storm shelter (about 3,600 sq. ft.) either by adding on to the building or by reinforcing locations in the current building.

1. Remove the roof and reinforce certain classrooms.

Cost: Add \$200,000 ±

2. Build adjoining storm shelter (open space)

Cost: Add \$300,000 ±

Note: Can't use for storage. Need room for students.

3. Build Adjoining storm shelter with furnished classrooms

Cost: Add \$400,000 ±

Note: BD could remain at Ackerman

4. Apply for a waiver of the storm shelter requirement

Cost: Minimal

Q: Will waiver be approved? Probably not.

Q: Will parents support waiver? Probably not.

Construction

The project cannot be completed in one summer (9-10 weeks). We <u>may</u> be able to accomplish it in two summers but this will cost more. There is also a secondary issue related to the location of 500-600 students during the construction process if not done during the summer.

1. Two-summer projects w/ premium pay

Cost: Add \$250.000 ±

Note: Will need to keep HVAC, fire alarms, plumbing, and

data systems operational.

2. Continuous project – Move Ackerman to other buildings

Cost: Add $$200,000 \pm (for buses)$

Note: Need 28 rooms for all students or 14 rooms for half

3. Continuous project – Build Elem. #25 early and move there

Cost: Add $$200,000 \pm (for buses)$

Note: If Ackerman stays at #25 for full year add another \$200k. Will also have issues with #25 being ready and Neighborhood students wanting to go there ASAP.

4. Continuous project – Install portables

Cost: Add \$1.0 million \pm (5 new units and 4 old ones)

Note: Would move $\frac{1}{2}$ of students into portables as needed

AGENDA SUMMARY SHEET

AGENDA ITEM: Report on Status of Proposed Changes to the Middle School Schedule

MEETING DATE: November 14, 2005

DEPARTMENT: Education Services

TITLE AND BRIEF DESCRIPTION: Changes in Middle School Scheduling

ACTION DESIRED: INFORMATION ONLY

BACKGROUND: It has been about 20 years since the framework of middle school scheduling was conceptualized and put into place in Millard. The framework of the schedule has dictated the length of courses and the exclusion or modification of other offerings that could be implemented at the middle school.

As world language, Family Consumer Science, and Computer Application teachers entered the curriculum phase process to consider updated curriculum and delivery for the future, a discussion and proposal evolved about change to the middle school schedule framework.

In addition, consideration for the recommendations of Action Plan 5-12 #5 "Develop a proposal for a PreK-12 world languages program" and proposed changes to Rule 10 were discussed and considered. These changes address at least the beginning of moving language exposure to earlier grades. The world languages offering would also expand opportunity for all students to take Level I world languages.

The schedule change proposals also allow for Health to be offered as a stand-alone class in grade 6 – this course is currently integrated into several subject areas.

Research tells us that using technology in the learning setting is the most effective way to assure application of technology in learning. The proposed schedule allows for the integration of computer applications to core classes as well as in a stand-alone setting.

Changes in staffing needs would occur. Additional world language teachers would be needed and a reduction of some exploratory/elective teachers is recommended. In order to hire adequate quality staff, adoption of the proposed scheduling framework is recommended before December college graduation dates.

Middle school principals recommend that the new schedule be adopted for implementation in 2006-2007. Recommendations are in line with the district middle school philosophies and practices.

OPTIONS AND ALTERNATIVES: To phase the change of schedule in three or more buildings at a time.

TIMELINE: To take effect in the 2006-2007 school year.

RESPONSIBLE PERSON(S): Dr. Judy Porter, Dr. Gary Barta, Phil Koch, Dr. Jim Sutfin,

Jeff Alfrey, Brian Begley, Nancy Johnston

ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT APPROVAL:		
	(Signature)	
SUPERINTENDENT APPROVAL:		
	(Signature)	
BOARD ACTION:		

Middle School Scheduling Change

It has been about 20 years since the framework of middle school scheduling was conceptualized and put into place in Millard. The framework of the schedule has dictated the length of courses and the exclusion or modification of other offerings that could be implemented at the middle school.

As world language teachers begin the curriculum process and as computer application teachers consider the best delivery system for technology, a discussion and proposal has evolved from discussion about change to the middle school schedule framework.

The schedule would allow for

- 1. The introduction of world language at an earlier age. This concept is supported by interest as expressed in Action Plan 5-12, by principals and in the world language core committee. There is a proposal in Rule 10 to move world language instruction into earlier grades. It would allow our focus on "world class" to expose students to world languages earlier.
- 2. Allowing computer technology support and instruction in the instructional setting. Research supports this concept as the best way for students to learn to use and to use technology as part of "doing business".
- 3. Sixth grade Health being offered as a stand-alone course. Currently the required concepts of Health (required by Rule 10) are integrated into different core curriculums. There is support for removing these elements from the variety of subject areas currently used to allow more time for core curriculum delivery.

Principals believe that the following evaluation elements would show us the following results:

- ELO achievement will go up in courses that have lost Health in 6^{th} grade core subjects.
- More students will take world language at high school or potentially will take more levels of world language at the high school.
- Students will have equal time per each required exploratory class.
- Life Skills may improve as a result of Health concentration in a stand-alone 6th grade class.
- Changes in the world language survey course would allow more cultural focus and could improve SS ELO or Terra Nova test scores.
- Students will show more proficiency and ability to use technology in the broad learning setting.
- There will be parent support for offering world language at a younger age.
- A broader group of students will be able to take Level I world language and will have a choice to select the language they wish to become involved in learning.

Challenges

- Reduction in length of exploratory class time causes exploratory teachers concern.
 We will need to work with them to determine the change in curriculum for their courses.
- World language teachers will need to reconceptualize how world language is taught in the middle school.

- Principals will have to determine how we can provide an opportunity for new students arriving in 8th grade to be able to start a world language.
- Staffing changes will occur.
- It will be necessary to recruit and hire more world language teachers or increase the number of traveling world language teachers.

Timeline

Spring 2003	 Initial discussions about making "room" in the middle level schedule for new courses in world languages, health and computer applications as those areas enter Phase I in the MEP curriculum phase cycle.
School Year 2004-05	 Principals and middle level schedulers met to discuss scenarios for curriculum delivery with a new schedule: Expand world language opportunities from 8th grade to include 6th, 7th and 8th, 6th grade Health as a stand-alone subject; integrating computer applications into core instruction for student support in using technology for learning.
September 2004	 Foreign Language Core Committee recommended offering foreign language in sixth and seventh grades
Spring 2005	 Principals initiated preliminary discussion with, and sought input from special area teachers about possible schedule changes.
June 2005	 Initial report to the Board about the discussion and proposals
Spring and Fall 2005	 Most School Improvement Team (SIT) committees were introduced to plan and input was shared
September 2005	
September 2003	 Principals finalized their schedule change proposal recommendation
October 6 and November 2, 2005	 Meetings with representative teachers affected by proposed change, MEP facilitators of those subject areas, principals and other representatives
	 Representatives shared information and sought input from their building principals and other affected staff
	 Group came to consensus to move forward with the plan
November 2005	 Committee meeting report to the Board as to final schedule change proposal
Plan to move	Board approval of the proposed schedule
forward	 Develop and implement communication plan internally and externally
	 Begin to address staffing needs for the future
	 Curriculum facilitators meet with teachers in affected subject areas to adapt curriculum for a new delivery format and new courses
	 Implement schedule as approved in 2006-07

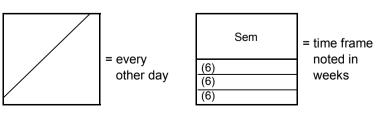
MIDDLE SCHOOL SCHEDULE STAFF REPRESENTATIVES

Attendees
Jeff Alfrey, Principal, Andersen Middle School
Nancy Armitage, Kiewit Middle School, Vocal Music
Gary Barta, Principal, North Middle School
Rosemary Barta, MEP Facilitator, CSMI
Danna Becerra, Andersen Middle School, Art
Brian Begley, Principal, Russell Middle School
Don Bosworth, Russell Middle School, Computer
Wendy Brennan, Central Middle School, German
Martha Bruckner, Assoc. Superintendent for Ed Services, DSAC
George Conrad, Director Human Resources, DSAC
Monica Cox, Central Middle School, Vocal Music
Mike Daubert, Kiewit Middle School, PE
Clara Hoover, MEP Facilitator, CSMI
Nancy Johnston, Principal, Beadle Middle School
Phil Koch, Principal, Kiewit Middle School
Tony Levy, MEA President
Sheryl Moeller, Beadle Middle School, FCS
Diane Mynster, Andersen Middle School, PE
Susan Pierson, Kiewit Middle School, Art
Judy Porter, Director of Secondary Ed, DSAC
Dave Robinson, Russell Middle School, IT
Joan Rogert, Andersen Middle School, Foreign Language
Jeannene Rossitto, North Middle School, Health
George Sefzik, North Middle School, IT
Linda Shirck, MEP Facilitator, CSMI
Bradley Slominsky, Beadle Middle School, Computer
John Southworth, Asst. Principal, Beadle Middle School
Jim Sutfin, Principal, Central Middle School
Barb Waller, MEP Facilitator, CSMI
Tom Wise, Facilitator/Consultant

	1	2	3	4	5	6 MYP	6 Regular	7 MYP	7 Regular	8
6th Grade										
	English	Reading	Math	Science	Social	PE /	PE /	Music (9)	Art (6)	Guided Study
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7th Grade									
	English	Reading	Math	Science		PE /	` '	Art (6)	Guided Study
					Studies	World	III or Comp App (u)	Music (6) IT (6)	Band
								FCS (6)	Vocal
		Computer /	App Integra	ted in all		1 /		Health (6) Comp App (6)	Orchestra
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8th Grade													
	English	Social	Math	Science	World Lang	Band	Elective (6)	Elective (6)					
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	Comp	puter App Ir	ntegrated in		2007-2008 & beyond - Sem. II or Literacy	Study	Elective (6) Elective (6) Elective (6)	PE					
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IMPLICATIONS OF CHANGE FOR MIDDLE LEVEL STAFFING

Assume that GSP will include Choral Music at all Schools

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	Projected Staff Needs with 8 th Grade/ 6-Week Electives	Total Needs	<u>Possible</u> Reductions or Reassignments	Retirement, Reassignment or Attrition
AMS	+2 World Language Teachers		-1 Art	
	(Spanish)		-1 IT; possible	
	-1 Art, -1 Industrial Tech		retirement	
		+2	-2	0
BMS	+1.5 Spanish, +.5 French		Probable cut; IT	
	-1 Industrial Tech		Student Teacher	
		+2		
			-1	+1
CMS	+3 World Language Teachers		-1 Art	
	-1 Art		-1 IT	
	-1 IT -1 FCS		-1 FCS possible	
	+.25 Vocal Music		retirement	
	*CMS needs 2.5 additional world language			
	teachers for the traditional program and an			
	additional .5 for the dilemma created by			
	Montessori		_	
		+3.25	-3	+.25
KMS	+ 2 World Language			
ND 50		+2		+2
NMS	+1 Spanish, +.25 German, +.25			
	French	_		
	+.5 vocal music	+2		+2
RMS	+1 Spanish, +.5 Music,5 FCS, -1 Art, -1 IT		-1 IT -1 Art	
	-1 Au,-111		5 FCS	
		+1.5	-2.5	-1
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	Total	+12.75	-8.5	+4.25

Blue – Reassign

Orange – possible real reduction

Millard Middle Schools Middle School Philosophy

The purpose of the Millard Middle Schools is to meet the intellectual, social, ethical, emotional, and physical needs of 11-14 year old students through programs and instructional practices that are academically and developmentally appropriate and include essential elements of instruction, management, and curriculum.

The essential elements of middle level instruction, management, and curriculum are:

- High academic expectations
- Interdisciplinary teams
- Exploratory offerings
- Inclusionary practices
- Student advisement
- Developmentally appropriate instructional practices
- Climate conducive to learning

Operational parameters for the middle schools include:

- Common team planning
- Schedule conducive to multiple options for students
- Developmentally appropriate co-curricular program
- Team leadership and team structure
- Effective transition in, through, and out of middle grades
- Partnership of students, home, staff, and community

Millard Middle Schools **Essential Elements**

High Academic Expectations

The middle school academic program will promote scholarship through curriculum, instruction, and assessment practices designed to challenge each student to reach his/her potential. Students are provided the necessary support and opportunities for success.

Interdisciplinary Teams

Interdisciplinary teams offer an organizational structure that helps support student achievement through professional collaboration and communication, mutual reinforcement of student behaviors, flexible scheduling, and the development of differentiated curriculum that meets student learning needs.

Exploratory Offerings

Students are exposed to a variety of success oriented interactive activities and experiences related to adopted curriculum, athletics, community service, and student interests. Exposure to a variety of activities will help students develop an understanding of and excel in their areas of strengths and interests.

Inclusionary Practices

Inclusionary practices ensure success for all students in academic, physical, social, and service activities. Programmatic decisions for all students will be made based upon current best practices and relevant assessment and evaluation.

Student Advisement

The advisement program is designed to establish a close working relationship between each student and at least one teacher, counselor, or administrator in the building. The Millard Public Schools life skills are an integral part of the advisory program.

Developmentally Appropriate Instructional Practices

The instructional practices used by teachers will meet the emotional, cognitive, social, and physical needs of preadolescent learners. Learning activities that are varied, motivating and actively engage students will be practiced by all teachers.

Climate Conducive to Learning

The school creates a personalized environment that supports each student's intellectual, ethical, emotional, social, and physical development, characterized by stable, close, and mutually respectful relationships.

Millard Middle Schools Operational Parameters

Common Team Planning

Each team of teachers shares a scheduled planning period allowing them to meet to discuss student needs, coordinate instruction among disciplines, and plan team activities.

Schedule Conducive to Multiple Options for Students

Many scheduling options are available to teachers because team teachers share the same group of students. Therefore, teachers are able to address student needs through scheduling. Examples may include:

- Most classes may be scheduled next to each other during the school day this creates a block of team classes.
- Teams may flex the time frame in which they offer classes; i.e. English may decide to take 20 minutes for a spelling test while science uses over an hour to conduct a lab.
- The regular manner in which classes are offered may be rearranged; i.e. only math and science one day and only English/Social Studies/Reading the next.
- The opportunity for interdisciplinary approaches is more easily available interdisciplinary instruction helps students more readily see connections in learning and curriculum.

Within this framework, district and state standards are accomplished.

Co-Curricular Program

Co-curricular activities for middle level students are designed with student age, ability, and maturity as important considerations. All activities, including athletics, music, and club offerings, provide for maximum participation with an appropriate level of competitiveness for this age of student.

Team Leadership and Team Structure

Team Leadership – Team leaders are responsible for channeling the energy and resources of team members into productive problem solving and planning for instruction. They should provide a structure within which issues can be discussed and decisions made, keep the agenda on positive track, and hold team members accountable for their assigned responsibilities.

Team Structure – Interdisciplinary teams may include teachers of English, math, science and social studies for a designated grade. In addition, each team should have a guidance counselor, team leader, and resource teacher. A daily team planning time supports effective teaming practices.

Effective Transition In, Through, and Out of Middle Grades

Transition, the movement of a student from a familiar, supportive environment to one that is unknown often causes anxiety and can decrease school achievement during the transition period. The middle grades program must support students during the significant transitions from elementary to middle, through middle school, and from middle to high school. Utilization of effective communication at each grade level will aid in the understanding of others' concerns, philosophies and objectives.

Partnership of Students, Home, Staff, and Community

The school develops alliances with families to enhance and support the well-being of their children. It involves families as partners in their children's education, keeping them informed, involving them in their children's learning, and assuring participation in decision-making.

MIDDLE LEVEL LANGUAGE OPPORTUNITIES: COMPARISON WITH OTHER DISTRICTS

	Millard: Current	Millard: Proposed	OPS (most schools)	OPS Beveridge Global Studies Magnet
Sixth Grade	No world language courses offered.	All students take Survey (30 days each: French, German, Spanish). Alternate days.	No world language courses offered. (Marrs offers Spanish in grades 5-8.)	No world language courses offered.
Seventh Grade	No world language courses offered.	All students may begin French I, German I, or Spanish I (offered on alternate days throughout the school year).	No world language courses offered. (Marrs offers Spanish in grades 5-8.)	Students may take a full year of French, German or Spanish. Courses meet every day.
Eighth Grade	Most students take Survey (9 weeks each: French, German, Spanish). Identified students take French I, German I or Spanish I (equivalent to first year course offered in high school).	All students may continue French I, German I, or Spanish I (offered every day throughout the school year). Students who complete the seventh and eighth grade level I course will be prepared for level II in ninth grade.	All schools offer Spanish. Some offer French. Courses meet every day.	Continuation: Students may take a full year of French, German or Spanish. Courses meet every day. Most students who complete the two years are prepared for second year language in ninth grade.

	Westside *	Bellevue	Ralston	Papillion-LaVista
Sixth Grade	N/A (MS=grades 7-8 only)	N/A (MS=grades 7-8 only)	N/A (MS=grades 7-8 only)	N/A (MS=7 & 8)
Seventh Grade	Students may take French, German or Spanish. Courses meet every day.	All students take a semester Survey course (6 weeks each: French, German, Spanish)	No world language courses offered.	No middle school language program

	Elkhorn	Lincoln	Blue Valley #
Sixth Grade	Currently- Language exposure experience in middle school. Proposed – when students have 5 years of elementary language reach 6 th grade (probably next year) they will have a more intense language exposure in a survey class. Alternate days of language (Spanish, French and Japanese) and PE	Students take Spanish for 6 weeks.	Required: All students take either French or Spanish every other day, all year.
Seventh Grade	Proposed-7 th grade begin semester 1 of Level 1 Foreign language exposure. Alternate days of language (either French or Spanish) and PE	Students take French for 9 weeks.	Required: All students take either French or Spanish every other day, all year.
Eighth Grade	Proposed—8 th grade have alternate days of 2 nd semester of level 1 of French or Spanish, alternating with PE.	Students may take Spanish I or French I, equivalent to the first year high school course.	Approximately half the students continue with French or Spanish and are prepared to enter an accelerated level II course in ninth grade.

	Cherry Creek Falcon Creek %	New Trier (IL) Feeder Schools: Wilmette Jr. High & Washburne Jr. High	Adlai Stevenson (IL) Feeder Schools: @ Twin Groves Jr. High (grades 6-8) Daniel Wright Jr. High (grades 5-8)
Sixth Grade	Most students take an exploratory class (French, German and Spanish). Some may begin a full-year course in French, German or Spanish.	N/A (school=grades 7-8 only in both schools)	No world language courses offered.
Seventh Grade	Students may begin a full-year course in French, German or Spanish. Courses meet daily.	Most feeder schools offer French and Spanish. Wilmette also offers German. Some schools offer Latin. These level I courses are offered over two years. The courses are taught every day and open to any student.	DW: Offers French and Spanish to recommended students. These level I courses are taught over two years and meet every day. TG: Most students take French and Spanish. These level I courses are taught over two years and meet every day. Spanish uses IA and IB books. French will not be taught after this year because of low enrollments.
Eighth Grade	Continuation of full-year course in French, German or Spanish. Most students who complete these courses are prepared for level II in ninth grade. Courses meet daily.	Continuation of level I courses. At the end of two years, students are prepared for level II in ninth grade.	DW: Continuation of level I courses. Students who complete these courses are ready for level II in high school. TG: Continuation of level I courses. Students take a test in January. If they don't pass, they repeat level I in high school. If they pass, they are recommended for regular or accelerated level II course in high school. BOTH: If ninth grade students pass level II, they get credit for having taken 2 years of the language (same language all 3 years).

^{*} Westside offers Spanish to all elementary students with 4-6 grade students participating in two 30-minute classes each week.

Blue Valley middle schools offer "continuing" language courses building on the K-5 language program.

[%] Curriculum varies among the eleven Cherry Creek middle schools. & Wilmette students start Spanish in first grade.

[@] Adlai Stevenson feeder schools vary in the world language programs they offer. There are at least four feeder schools.

Information from:

Foreign Language Enrollments in Public Secondary Schools, Fall 2000 American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, May 2002

Languages Offered, Grades 9-12

Spanish	4,057,608
French	1,075,425
German	283,301
Latin	177,447
Spanish/Native Speakers	127,551
Italian	64,098
Japanese	50,884
Russian	10,612
Chinese	5,003
Native American	3,297
Greek	866
Hebrew	707
Arabic	426
Cantonese	301
Korean	202
Portuguese	145
Hatian-Cr.	118
Polish	115

Other information from Internet:

Mandarin Chinese taught:

Sidwell Friends (private school in Washington, DC) (Chelsea Clinton was a student there.) Mesa Public Schools (Mesa, AZ) (starting fall 2005)

Needham High School (Needham, MA) (offers French, Mandarin, Latin and Spanish) Many schools, some Chinese focus high schools, in California, offer Mandarin Chinese.

Adlai Stevenson High School (Chicago, Illinois, suburb)

French (5 levels, plus accelerated)

German (5 levels, plus accelerated)

Spanish (5 levels, plus accelerated, both AP literature and AP language)

Latin (3 levels)

Hebrew (4 levels, plus accelerated)

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[&]quot;World Class High Schools"

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New Trier High School (Chicago, Illinois, suburb)
       Spanish (5 levels)
       Chinese (4 levels)
       French (5 levels)
       German (5 levels)
       Hebrew (5 levels)
       Japanese (5 levels)
       Latin (5 levels)
Township High School District 214 (Illinois—suburban Chicago)
       John Hersey High School
              French (5 levels)
               German (5 levels)
              Spanish (5 levels)
              Italian (2 levels)
       Prospect High School
              French (5 levels)
              Spanish (5 levels)
              Italian (4 levels)
       Rolling Meadows High School
              French (4 levels)
              Spanish (5 levels)
               Conversational Spanish (2 levels)
              Spanish for Spanish Speakers
              Italian (5 levels)
       Elk Grove High School
              French (5 levels)
              Spanish (5 levels)
              Italian (4 levels)
              Japanese (4 levels)
William Fremd High School (Palatine, IL)
              French (4 levels, culminating in AP)
              German (4 levels, culminating in AP)
              Spanish (4 levels, culminating in AP)
               Students take level 1 language over two years in junior high and begin high
               school by taking level 2 language.
Cherry Creek High School (Denver, CO, suburb)
       French (5 levels, plus accelerated, AP language and AP literature)
       German (5 levels, plus accelerated, plus 5<sup>th</sup> year other than AP)
       Latin (4 levels, plus accelerated)
       Russian (4 levels)
       Spanish (5 levels, plus accelerated, AP language and AP literature)
       Chinese (4 levels)
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Blue Valley North High School (Kansas suburb of Kansas City)
       French (4 levels)
       German (4 levels)
       Latin (4 levels)
       Spanish (5 levels)
Blue Valley Northwest High School (Kansas suburb of Kansas City)
       French
       German
       Spanish
Rancho Bernardo High School (Poway USD, near San Diego) (recommended by Linda KK)
       French (5 levels)
       German (5 levels)
       Spanish (5 levels)
       Filipino (2 levels) (large Filipino population)
Omaha South High School
       French (5 levels)
       German (5 levels)
       Spanish (5 levels, plus AP, and Spanish for native speakers)
Valley High School (West Des Moines, Iowa)
       French (5 levels)
       German (4 levels)
       Japanese (3 levels)
       Latin (4 levels)
       Spanish (5 levels)
Eastridge High School (Gainesville, FL) (Newsweek Top 1,000 High Schools)
       French
       Spanish
       (no other information online)
Indian Hill High School (Cincinnati, OH) (Newsweek Top 1,000 High Schools)
       French (5 levels)
       Latin (5 levels)
       Spanish (5 levels)
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Strategic Plan 5 – 12

Strategy: We will develop and implement plans to increase student participation in, and performance on, measures of national and international educational excellence.

Specific Result: Increase the number of national and international learning opportunities and test measures for students.

5. Develop a proposal for pre K-12 world languages program

Rule 10

Elementary

004.02B World Languages. By the 2007-08 school year: the curriculum includes introductory experiences in world languages. This may include integrating international themes in other subject areas: the use of school, community, and international resources; and/or specific instruction in other languages.

Middle

004.03A Middle Grades Instructional Program. Beginning at least in grade 7, the program in the middle grades includes instruction for each grade each year in the following subject areas. Instruction may be provided through separate courses, integrated blocks of time, and/or through exploratory programs. Middle schools having grades 5 or 6 may provide either the elementary reading program described in regulations 004.02A or the middle grades program described in regulation 004.03A for those two grades.

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004.03A1 Reading...
004.03A2 Language Arts...
004.03A4 Social Studies...
004.03A5 Science...
004.03A6 Health...
004.03A7 Art...
004.03A8 Music...
004.03A9 Physical Education...
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004.03A10 World Languages. By the 2007-08 school year, the curriculum includes exploratory experiences for communicating in one or more languages other than English: knowledge and understanding of other cultures: and developing insight into the nature of language and culture.

004.03A11 Career education

AGENDA SUMMARY SHEET

AGENDA ITEM:	Wide Area Network	for Data, Video, Voice, and New Telephone System			
MEETING DATE:	November 14, 2005				
DEPARTMENT:	Technology Division				
TITLE AND BRIEF	DESCRIPTION:	Wide Area Network for Data, Video, Voice, and New Telephone System			
ACTION DESIRED	Discussion an	d Review			
BACKGROUND:	See attached 1	report			
STRATEGIC PLAN	STRATEGIC PLAN REFERENCE:				
RESPONSIBLE PERSON: Mark Feldhausen					
SUPERINTENDEN	T APPROVAL:	(Signature)			
BOARD ACTION:					

Wide Area Network (WAN) for Data, Video, Voice, and New Telephone System

Background

In January 2004, the Millard Public Schools was the recipient of a 3Com Urban Challenge Grant valued at \$100,000. The purpose of this grant was to provide wireless data communications connections (equipment) for twelve buildings. The intent was that should this technology prove viable, then the project would be expanded to other buildings using similar wireless technology. Such was the assumption as late as last winter just prior to the bond election. In fact, in the Technology Report to the Board of Education of March 14, 2005, it was reported that one of the major goals of the 2005-2006 school year was to implement a wireless, district-owned, wide area network. After six months of using this technology it has become clear that this wireless Wide Area Network (WAN) will not provide the robust, broadband network needed by the Millard Public Schools.

Issues Limiting a Wireless WAN

The 3Com equipment, acquired from the grant, and used to establish the wireless WAN, represents point-to-point 2.4 GHz radio technology. During the last six months of implementation, we have experienced a number of issues that have resulted in our belief that the wireless WAN should not be used by the District as a long-tern solution for data, video, and voice networking between sites. The reasons for this conclusion include:

- 1. Equipment Reliability—multiple outages of the radio equipment have been experienced to the extent that we have yet to have all radio-dependent data communications links operational at the same time. Outages have resulted for many reasons including lightening strikes.
- 2. Interference—Increased use of 2.4 GHz based technologies in local neighborhoods have resulted in significant interference. This reduces the available bandwidth and limits the reliability of the connection. Interference comes from wireless telephones, home wireless networking equipment, household appliances, and commercial networking equipment. Licensed, rather than unlicensed radios, have been reviewed, but the licenses increase yearly costs and still provide no guarantee of an interference free connection. (Note: 3Com has provided on-site engineers on three separate occasions to evaluate this situation. Recommendations have not eliminated the problem.) Wireless systems that are 5.4 5.8 Ghz based are anticipated to experience similar interference issues over time.
- 3. Bandwidth—This 54 Mbps system was originally touted to provide transmission capacity ranging from 20 to 25 Mbps per site. Our experience has been that, at best, it provides between 8 and 12 Mbps. Although this is better than the T-1 lines (1.544 Mbps) it is insufficient for data, video, and voice, including telephone, traffic.
- 4. Distance and Topology—Buildings, such as Disney and Hitchcock, that were originally identified for the use of this technology have proved to be either too distant from the communication aggregation point or their topology has limited the site-to-site requirements. Buildings that lie in valleys or are surrounded by trees, where growth over time, will interfere with data transmission signals are not suited to wireless WAN technology use.
- 5. Redundancy—Wireless technology does nothing to address the issue of redundancy, or lack thereof. In fact, this is a problem throughout the current point-to-point WAN structure of the Millard Public Schools. Should a radio go down or a T-1 or existing fiber line be cut, there is no fall-back or structured alternative paths for data communications.

Bandwidth Needs

Reliance upon the MPS Wide Area Network continues to grow as the District utilizes technology to manage the District and support teaching and learning. An analysis of bandwidth requirements for a variety of existing services demonstrates that the current system of T-1 data communications (1.544 Mbps) lines found at elementary and middle schools and the 100 Mbps fiber lines at the high schools are either seriously taxed or will be in the near future.

Examples of how the WAN is (and could be) used include, but are not limited to:

- 1. Access to in-house library services (media inventory system, e.g. Dynix/Horizon) and on-line subscriptions to multiple databases for research
- 2. Instructional and Assessment Web Services at Elementary and Secondary
- 3. Use of Pentamation and SIMS at ESU#3
- 4. Use of Infinite Campus and GroupWise (email) within the District but across the WAN
- 5. General Internet usage
- 6. Telephone services (VoIP) at CSMI, North Middle School, and Reader Elementary
- 7. On-line video services from NDE and NET (not currently used due to network limitations)

An evaluation of these activities indicates that a minimum of 20 - 25 Mbps are needed at an elementary school of average size, 35-40 Mbps at a middle school, and between 50-65 Mbps at a high school.

Current Telephone Services

The District's current ISDN/Centrex telephone system has been in place since 1993. Presently, it is thirty-year-old technology. Service providers are recommending that this technology be replaced whenever possible. Because of its age and the existence of newer technologies, this telephone system cannot be competitively bid. In addition, each service requested, such as caller ID, call forwarding, voicemail, etc. has an associated monthly cost.

The District has in place over 1,600 telephone numbers. Although the Centrex system is to provide four digit dialing, it has never been applicable to Hitchcock and Disney. And as new buildings are built, the District's ability to provide ISDN service is limited based on location.

Est. Yearly Cost

Current Data and Telephone Service Costs

Current Service

Qwest T-1 Data Lines	\$70,000.00
Qwest Telephone Services*	\$297,000.00
Galaxy/Dark Fiber 100 Mbps	\$56,000.00

Total \$423,000.00

Proposed WAN and Telephone Solutions

On Monday, November 7, 2005, the MPS Technology Division released a Request For Proposals (RFP) structured to address the following:

1. A redesigned, redundant Wide Area Network capable of providing requested bandwidth in a range of 25 Mbps/Elementary School, 50 Mbps/Middle School, and 100-1000 Mbps/High School.

^{*}This does not include long distance, directory assistance/listings, nor repair, maintenance, and equipment costs.

- 2. PRI and Analog Line Services for Voice over Internet Protocol Telephone (VoIP) system.
- 3. VoIP Equipment

The RFP meets E-Rate requirements and timelines for eligible discounts. The RFP is structured so that vendors may respond to one or more of the three requested areas. The RFP was structured in this fashion to maximize coordinated efforts and anticipated economy of scale. The RFP was subject to legal review before it was released.

The intent is to bring recommendations for contract approval to the Board of Education on December 19, 2005, with implementation beginning March 1, 2006, and completed by the end of summer, August 1, 2006.

Projected Costs

Projected costs for WAN and telephone services that constitute monthly recurring charges are difficult to calculate. Based upon existing information the District's costs could include:

Proposed Services	Est. Yearly Cost	
Galaxy/Dark Fiber 100 Mbps	\$56,000.00	
7 PRI's (2/hs & 1 DSAC)	\$42,000.00	
Est. 142 Analog Telephone Lines Est. New Data, Video, Voice Lines (inc.	\$51,120.00	
possible build-out)	\$432,000.00	
Total	\$581,120.00	

VoIP Equipment will be paid by Bond monies and is estimated between \$600,000 and \$900,000.

Although the proposed project includes a cost increase of approximately \$158,120, a 37% increase. This is inclusive of network services and capacity increases of 230% and anticipated build-out (construction) and equipment requirements.

Finally, just as the District is dependent on gas, water, electricity, and fuel to operate its buildings and provide services so to is it increasing its use of data and communication services. As such, its current system, he Wide Area Network, needs to be thoroughly over hauled and upgraded in order to to provide for a growing, world-class district.

Steroid Use and Abuse

A Review of the Literature

Steroid Use

Monitoring the Future

U.S. Department of Health National Institute on Drug Abuse Anabolic Steroid Use by Students 2004 National Survey Statistics

	8 th	10 th	12 th
Ever Used	1.9%	2.4%	3.4%
Used in the Past Year	1.1%	1.5%	2.5%
Used in the Past Month	0.5%	0.8%	1.6%

Comparison to Past Years of Steroid Use Monitoring the Future Survey 1999

	<u>8th</u>	10 th	12 th
Ever Used	2.7%	2.7%	2.9%
Used in the Past Year	1.7%	1.7%	1.8%
Used in the Past Month	0.7%	0.9%	0.9%

Monitoring the Future Survey 1991

	8 th	10 th	12 th
Ever Used	1.9%	1.8%	2.1%
Used in the Past Year	1.0%	1.1%	1.4%
Used in the Past Month	0.4%	0.6%	0.8%

Drug & Steroid Education in Millard Public Schools

Instruction related to anabolic steroids.

7th Grade Healthy Lifestyles (9 week course)
Chemical Misuse/Abuse Unit (6 days)
Consequences of chemical abuse
Introduction to pressures
Social pressures to use drugs
Resisting internal and external pressures to use drugs
Practice resistance Skills
Smoking cessation
Benefits of not using drugs

High School Everyday Living (18 week course)
Codependence/addictions/chemical use & abuse Unit (15 days)
Recognize characteristics of codependency
Explain effects of commonly used drugs
Understand factors in making responsible decisions regarding chemical use Identify impact of roles people play in codependent families

Instruction includes a video on the physical and psychological affects of steroids.

 As an example at the high schools, in the Human Physiology class at Millard West, steroids are discussed in relation to homeostasis and negative feedback loops in muscular units. Alteration of hormones, the negative effects to males and females, and the increased risk of cancer are also presented to students.

Information About Steroids and Supplements

What are Steroids?

- Anabolic steroids that athletes use are synthetic modifications of testosterone, a hormone produced by the human body.
- In the Controlled Substances Act of 1991, Congress defined anabolic steroids as any drug or hormonal substance, chemically or pharmacologically related to testosterone (other than estrogens, progestins, and corticosteroids) that promotes muscle growth.
- Testosterone has two main effects on the body:
 - 1. the anabolic effects--- to promote muscle building
 - 2. the androgenic effects--- are responsible for male traits (facial hair, deeper voice, etc.)
- The anabolic steroids used by athletes are designed to maximize the anabolic effects and minimize the androgenic effects.

Steroids-Legal or Illegal

- Anabolic steroids are illegal unless a doctor has prescribed their use for medical reasons.
- Many athletes are using steroids at higher doses than are prescribed for medical reasons.
- Most of the sports organizations have prohibited the use of anabolic steroids to enhance performance.
- NCAA athletes found to have used steroids or other illegal substances lose one year of eligibility.

Steroidal Supplements

- Supplements can be purchased legally in the U.S. without a prescription.
- They are often referred to as "dietary supplements" and are taken because the user believes they will produce anabolic effects.
- Little is known about the side effects of such supplements or whether their use alone promotes muscle growth.

Comparisons Between Drugs and Dietary Supplements- DSHEA

- Drug labels and package inserts must mention adverse effects.
- Drug companies are required to report to the FDA any reports of product-related adverse effects received from any source.
- Drugs must be reviewed and approved by the FDA before they are marketed to consumers.
- Drugs must be tested for safety before they are marketed to consumers

- Supplement makers are not required to have safety warnings on their labels, even for products with known serious hazards.
- Supplement makers are not required to report adverse effects they might receive.
- Supplements are not subject to review or approval by the FDA prior to marketing.
- Supplements can be marketed without testing for safety.

Examples of Drugs and Supplements Banned by the NCAA

- DHEA
- Andro
- Ephedrine (ephedra, ma huang)
- Caffeine, if level exceeds 15 micrograms/ml (the "average" cup of coffee has 60 to 80 mg of caffeine)

- Cocaine
- Heroin
- THC
- Human Growth Hormone (HGH)
- Synephrine (bitter orange, zhi shi)

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