

**Franklin Public Schools
Franklin, Massachusetts 02038**

Action Required

Subject: Space Needs & Facilities
Assessment Sub Committee

Date: January 25, 2022

Dept: SC

Reason: Required Vote

Enclosure: yes

Recommendation:

Space Needs & Facilities Assessment Sub Committee

I recommend that the School Committee establish a Space Needs & Facilities Assessment Sub Committee as detailed.

Action Requested of the School Committee:

Majority vote of the School Committee is required.

<u>Vote Tabulator</u>	
C. Bernstein:	Y / N D. McNeill: Y / N
D. Callaghan:	Y / N M. Whitmore: Y / N
Al Charles:	Y / N D Spencer: Y / N
E Stokes:	Y / N Action: _____



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To: Franklin School Committee

From: Sara E. Ahern, Ed.D., Superintendent

Date: January 19, 2022

RE: Establishment of a Space Needs and Facilities Assessment Subcommittee

I recommend that the School Committee establish a Space Needs and Facilities Assessment Subcommittee, consistent with [Policy BDE - Subcommittees of the School Committee](#). Subcommittees are set up through action by the Committee and members are appointed by the School Committee Chair. The School Committee Chair and Superintendent are ex-officio members of all subcommittees.

The Comprehensive Facilities Analysis Report (December 2020) prepared by Kaestle Boos Architects, Inc. identified the need for the Committee to develop a long term Master Facilities Plan. This plan would take into consideration:

- Projected enrollment between now and 2030 with regular monitoring of the enrollment forecast
- Enrollment considerations in the District's current specialized programs and potential for program expansion based on student needs
- Space utilization considerations as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic
- Condition and educational adequacy at older elementary schools

Redistricting and/or new school construction could be possible recommended outcomes from the Subcommittee.

I recommend that the School Committee establish a Space Needs and Facilities Assessment Subcommittee to begin undertaking a comprehensive review of Franklin's school facilities.