

REVITALIZING RAINBOW SCHOOLS

Renewal
Recommendations from Administrative Council
Sudbury Secondary School

December 17, 2007

Appreciation

Rainbow District School Board's Administrative Council expresses its appreciation to the Renewal Advisory Committee for Sudbury Secondary School. The Committee was made up of the Superintendent of Business, the school superintendent, area trustee, school principal and vice-principals, two teachers, Student Parliament representative, Continuing Education teacher, Manager and Assistant Manager of Plant, two parent members of the School Council, two Alumni representatives, First Nations representative, Arts Coordinator, Athletic Administrator, representatives from Information Services, Media Centre, business, the municipality, the shared arts community and performing arts. The Administrative Council also thanks members of the public who provided input throughout the renewal process.

Mandate

The mandate of Administrative Council is to make recommendations to the Board regarding options for reducing excess space at the school and for renewing an aging building, which maximizes student learning within the resources available to the Board.

Membership

Rainbow District School Board's Administrative Council is made up of Director of Education Jean Hanson, Superintendent of Business Diane Cayen-Arnold, and Superintendents Norm Blaseg, Ada Della Penta, Lesleigh Dye, Fred Law and Sharon Speir.

Data

Facility Condition Index (FCI)

Definition

FCI = Facility Renewal and Repair Costs Replacement Cost of Asset

(Building Industry Standard to determine the building condition index)

FCI (Facility Condition Index) Rating:
Good FCI Rating = Less Than 5%
Fair FCI Rating: 5% to 10%
Poor FCI Rating: 10% to 30%
Critical FCI Rating: Greater Than 30%
Prohibitive to Repair: 65% or Greater

The following data provided the basis for the review of facilities and pupil space in Sudbury Secondary School.

RAINBOW DISTRICT SCHOOL BOARD

Sudbury Secondary School

June 19, 2007

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Utilization					FCI		Cumulative Capital	
ADE (Average Daily Enrolment) 2006-2007	OTG (On The Ground Capacity) 2006-2007	% Utilization 2006-2007	ADE 5 year (Average Daily Enrolment) 2010 - 2011	% Utilization 2010 - 2011	FCI (Facility Condition Index) 2006 - 2007	5 year FCI (Facility Condition Index) 2010 - 2011	Cumulative Capital Projects 2006 - 2007	5 year Cumulative Capital Projects 2010 - 2011
842	1557	54%	866	56%	67%	71%	\$ 21,246,101	\$ 22,510,51

Process

Superintendent Fred Law facilitated the meetings of the Renewal Advisory Committee for Sudbury Secondary School.

Members of Rainbow District School Board's Administrative Council attended the two public meetings.

Public Meeting No. 1

Wednesday, September 12, 2007 6:30 pm Sudbury Secondary School - Sheridan Auditorium Shared the Data Heard public input

Public Meeting No. 2

Wednesday, October 3, 2007 6:30 pm Sudbury Secondary School – Sheridan Auditorium Explored What is... What could be? Heard public input

The Board's Administrative Council met to review the mandate, the data, the School Valuation Report, the minutes of meetings, and the Renewal Advisory Committee report for Sudbury Secondary School, including public input.

The Board's Administrative Council considered the value to the student, the value to the community, the value to the school board and the value to the local economy.

In making recommendations for student accommodations which will maximize student learning within the resources available to the Board, Administrative Council considered student learning as the first and foremost priority.

Recommendations

That the Board proceed with the renewal project at Sudbury Secondary School.

That Sudbury Secondary School be rightsized to accommodate 900 students.

That Sudbury Secondary School be a barrier-free building.

That Sudbury Secondary School be environmentally friendly, healthy and sustainable.

That sufficient parking be provided for all employees and visitors.

That Sudbury Secondary School renovations be aesthetically pleasing for the neighbourhood.

That one main entrance be established in proximity to the main office.

That the guidance area be reconfigured in proximity to the main office.

That space be provided for the Native Counsellor in the guidance area.

That space be provided for Day Care services for staff and students.

That the Arts Education areas (studio spaces, shop and storage), be located in proximity to the auditorium.

That the Sheridan Auditorium be refurbished and the following items taken into consideration: double door sound block entrance to the auditorium, seats replaced, change rooms, reconfiguration of the lobby and a separate entrance, expansion of the stage and wings on both sides of the stage, fly gallery, rehearsal area, recessed orchestra pit, multi-use open space for receptions, storage, shipping doors, and upgraded sound and lighting.

That items of historical significance be preserved and that a process be created to retrieve and catalogue archival documents and artifacts that may be discovered as offices, cupboards and storage areas are cleaned out in preparation for renewal.

That the Board continue to pursue partnerships with various community organizations such as the City of Greater Sudbury, the School of Architecture, the Kiwanis Club and various dance groups.

That the Board continue to review the accommodation needs and location of the Athletic Administrator, Information Services, Computers in Education, the Educational Media Centre and Continuing Education.

Rationale

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Sudbury Secondary School will celebrate its 100th anniversary in 2008. It is a flagship school with a tremendous history in our community that offers diverse programs, including Arts Education.

The facility requires upgrades. Some of the areas that need to be addressed include excess space, auditorium repairs, limited parking and lack of accessibility.

2006-2007 enrolment is reflected in the enclosed spreadsheet.

As of October 31st, 2007, average daily enrolment is projected to be 751 students for the 2007-2008 school year. The school's capacity is 1,557 students. The utilization rate is 48 per cent.

Enrolment is expected to decline to 677 students by 2011-2012, bringing the utilization rate to 43 per cent. By rightsizing the building to accommodate 900 students, the capacity will reach 75 per cent.

The school's capacity figures do not include the Media Centre, Information Services, the Co-operative Education Office and the Athletic Administrator's Office, which are also accommodated within the building.

Current capital needs total \$25.9 million in 2007-2008. This will rise to \$26.4 million in 2011-2012.

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The Sheridan Auditorium serves the Arts Education program at Sudbury Secondary School and supports the arts community in the City of Greater Sudbury. The auditorium gives the community access to a medium sized facility. The facility generates some revenue for the Board.

The auditorium requires significant upgrades. The auditorium currently seats 475 people (with capacity for another 120 in the balcony) and there are no plans to expand the seating capacity as part of the renewal project.

Throughout the renewal process, the public indicated that the current auditorium does not meet the needs of the school nor the community. Input received will be considered in the re-design of this space.

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Members of Sudbury Secondary School's alumni provided their input throughout the consultation process.

While a strong case for preserving the architecture at Sudbury Secondary School cannot be made, alumni indicated that a number of items of historical significance are worthy of preservation, including:

- the bronze plague in the showcase honouring those fallen in World War 1,
- the list of Sudbury High School World War 2 enlistees and fallen,
- the photographs of Performing Arts productions in the 100 corridor,
- the banner "Alumni Hall" announcing the many photographs of historical importance,
- two benches in the guidance office with plaques stating they were made by a teacher.
- carved stone Mining and Technical School name plates placed outside,
- concrete Sudbury High School coat of arms located outside on each side of the building near the Davidson Street end,
- plaques listing the Athletic Award winners since the school was renamed Sudbury Secondary School near the courtyard entrance on the first floor of B building,
- the accomplishments of students displayed in trophy and display cases.

That the Board continue to pursue partnerships with various community organizations such as the City of Greater Sudbury, the School of Architecture, the Kiwanis Club and various dance groups.

Rainbow District School Board has a rich history of establishing community partnerships of mutual benefit, particularly those that enhance educational opportunities for students by providing experiential learning or showcasing career options.

The Board will continue to honour historical partnerships with groups that use the Sheridan Auditorium for community events. The Board will build on these partnerships by pursuing additional opportunities to promote community use of schools, provide relevant learning experiences for students, enhance programs and generate revenue.

That the Board continue to review the accommodation needs and location of the Athletic Administrator, Information Services, Computers in Education, the Educational Media Centre and Continuing Education.

During the consultation process, staff expressed some limitations with the existing space at Sudbury Secondary School. Lack of parking was also a key concern. Further review is required to address the accommodation needs and location of these central services.