

Outdoor Athletic Facilities Task Force

Purpose: The task force will examine existing outdoor athletic facilities throughout the district in order to provide advice and recommendations that relate to the creation of a long term plan for the maintenance and replacement/creation of appropriate outdoor athletic facilities. The task force is advisory to the Superintendent and will periodically report its efforts and recommendations to the Superintendent and Cabinet.

Goals:

- Creation of a new ten year outdoor athletic facilities priority and maintenance plan.
- Develop a list of options for the improvement of outdoor facilities so that they are commensurate with comparable metropolitan area school districts.
- Develop a list of priorities that will be used to determine the timing of identified outdoor athletic facilities maintenance or project improvements.
- Establish responsibility for the performance of identified outdoor athletic facilities maintenance or project improvements.

Outcomes:

- Revised and updated 10 year outdoor athletic facilities plan.
- Articulated rationale supporting each area of the plan and recommended projects.
- History of facilities with responsibility for costs and improvements identified.
- Articulated accounting of current trends in outdoor athletic facilities improvement.
- Assurance that recommendations generated are consistent with District, Athletic Conference, State and Federal Guidelines.

Membership: Task force membership will consist of the following:

- Coaches from all outdoor athletic programs
- Activities Directors from Irondale and Mounds View High School
- Maintenance/Operations Manager
- Building Management Supervisor
- Designated Municipal Representatives
- Current and former parents of student athletes who compete in outdoor activities

Resources: The task force may decide to utilize the services of a facilities consultant if the need is identified and supported by rationale.

Management: The task force will be facilitated by John Ward, Director of Human Resources & Operations and the two high school activities directors.

Timelines: The task force will be organized April-May 2008.

The task force will meet and begin touring outdoor athletic facilities in May and will have completed an assessment of current facilities by mid-June 2008.

A decision will be made relative to the need for outside consulting by June 2008.

Additional meetings will be scheduled throughout the summer.

A progress report will be made to the Board in August.

Final report and recommendations will be submitted in September 2008.

Reporting: Minutes from each task force meeting will be available to task force members and will be posted on the District web site.