

**Facilities Planning Task Force**

Meeting Summary

Sept. 23, 2021, 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Via zoom

**Co-Chairs:**

**History.** Curtis described the history of Bellingham Public Schools facility projects from the

Steve let the team know that OSPI gives schools a life expectancy of 30 years. He praised Bellingham Public Schools for keeping the buildings going for much longer but said that some of them are at the end of their life span.

**Meeting/Group Norms.** Bob discussed the importance of group norms and how these agreements allow teams to perform well through this process. The entire group was able to provide input on the group norms they feel are most important by practicing again on the Miro board.

**Guiding Principles.** Jeff explained that while we all come from different backgrounds and have different guiding principles, it is important for this task force to find some common principles to guide decision making. Steve led the group in an exercise to help determine the top guiding principles task force members believe should be addressed in the bond package. The large group was divided into break out groups for this exercise. OAC plans to report the results of this exercise at the next meeting.

**Meeting adjourned.** Jeff thanked the team for being willing to be part of this group and reminded them that the next meeting is 3:30 to 5:30, Thursday, Oct. 7. Steve asked the members to leave a few more thoughts and questions for this task force on the Miro board.