

# Detailed Report given on Long Range Plans for District

In December of 1967, Mr. Don McElligott, Chairman of the Morrow County School District R-1 Board of Directors, appointed a long-range Curriculum and Building Planning Committee for the Morrow County School District.

The original committee was comprised of the following members: Louis Carlson, Chairman; Ione; Dr. Wallace Wolff; Heppner; Ronald Curin; Heppner; Ted Palmateer; Ione; Mrs. Dewey West; Boardman; Bill Parker; Irrigon; Rick Stanley; Irrigon; Robert Jones; Heppner; Orval Matheny; Heppner; Garland Swanson; Ione; Harold Snider; Ione; Vernon Russell; Boardman; Orville Buchanan; Irrigon; Eldon Padberg; Lexington.

This report contained all of the various alternatives on an area by area basis.

The planning committee then continued to hold meetings to determine the immediate building needs as well as long range building needs.

In September of 1971 the long range planning committee membership was changed and several new members were added to the committee. Those added were Ken Turner, Dick Sargent, Mrs. Elaine Nelson, Mrs. Virginia Grieb, Keith Rea, and Gayle Shoemaker.

## Meets Jointly

The purpose in appointing this committee was to have a group of interested citizens, representing all attendance areas in Morrow County, study the problems, both in curriculum and future building needs, and to prepare recommendations to the school board for their consideration and action. This committee met with each local advisory committee at least once during the 1968 calendar year. Each advisory committee was asked to evaluate their curriculum and their present school facilities and to make recommendations regarding possible changes or additions. After numerous meetings were held throughout Morrow County and after carefully reviewing present programs and facilities, it was the consensus of opinion by the Planning Committee members that additional information would be needed prior to extending any recommendations to the Morrow County School Board for their consideration and subsequent action.

In this connection, the Planning Committee requested that the Morrow County School District Board of Directors consider retaining an architect to assist the Planning Committee in compiling remodeling cost estimates and determining life expectancy on the present school facilities. It was also felt that the architect should design any additional, or replacement facilities, that would be needed and estimate the cost of construction.

## Board Agreed

The Board of Directors agreed that this would be desirable with the thought that an efficient study projected many years into the future would prevent the district from pursuing additional construction and curriculum work on a piece-meal basis.

The Board of Directors then discussed possible contractual agreements with two separate architects. In May of 1969, the board agreed to sign a three year contract with the firm of Smith and Keys, architects located in Ontario, Oregon. This agreement retained the firm of Smith and Keys for any buildings that may be constructed by the Morrow County School District during the next three years. If, at the end of the three year period, the board had not been successful in obtaining building funds, or had decided not to construct any new school facilities, the agreement with Smith and Keys would be terminated and the board would pay a figure not to exceed \$500 for the architectural and design work completed in connection with the long-range study.

From May of 1969 to November 1970, the planning committee continued to meet and discuss various building and remodeling programs with the architect. In November of 1970 Superintendent Tom Daniels compiled all of the committee findings including curriculum reports, remodeling costs, architectural blueprints and replacement

costs into a 44 page document. This report contained all of the various alternatives on an area by area basis.

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## Top Priority

The Vocational shop at Heppner was determined to be of immediate concern as the present facilities are inadequate both in size and structure. The woodworking shop classes are presently housed in small cement rooms underneath the gym. The size of the room and the inadequate ventilation restrict the number of students that can work in the room at one time and it also limits the size and type of projects built by the students. There are presently 32 students enrolled in the four shop classes and it is believed that a more adequate facility would double the number of students enrolled.

The Vocational Agriculture students are housed in the old combination shop building and furnace room located adjacent to the Heppner Jr. High building. Aside from the total inadequacy of the facility, it does present several other problems. First, the building does not have a classroom so it is necessary to handle classroom work in a separate building. This type situation then requires that all students be in the classroom at the same time and in the shop area at the same time. Thus, there is no flexibility in having students working at different activities.

The second problem is that of transporting students from high school building to the present shop facility. This results in additional expense but the major problem is the loss of classroom time while the students are on the bus.

The committee is exploring several possibilities for construction of the shop facility. Among the alternatives being reviewed are construction of a relatively inexpensive metal building and the possibility of a work experience program with shop students doing most of the actual construction.

## Remodeling at Ione

The remodeling at the Ione Elementary, the Heppner Jr. High and the old building at A.C. Houghton would, in most cases, not involve major remodeling, but would deal primarily with recommendations made by the State Industrial Accident Commission, the State Sanitation Department, and the State Fire Marshal's office. This limited remodeling is now being accomplished through the general fund budget to the extent of \$13,000 to \$20,000 per year.

The additional classrooms at Boardman and Irrigon are necessary due to the increased activity in sprinkler irrigation and the development of new farming projects.

Enrollment at A.C. Houghton is up 30 students over last year's enrollment with an increase from 144 to 174. Several classes now have between 25 and 30 students and the addition of just a few students in some of the classes will require two sections instead of one. All available classrooms are now in use so any additional splitting of classes will require new classrooms. The addition of four more classrooms will provide classrooms for two sections of each grade.

At Riverside the enrollment has increased from 161 in September to 182 in January. The facility would adequately handle an increase of approximately 100 students in most areas. There are, however, two immediate problems with even a slight enrollment increase. The first is in the number of general classrooms. In order to divide sections in required courses, it will be necessary to have additional teacher stations.

Boeing projection for the Boardman area indicates that 19,000 acres will be under irrigation during 1973 with a resulting increase in population of 950 people. Projections for the next years are shown in table II-2.

The four additional classrooms at Riverside and A.C. Houghton are intended to provide for the initial expansion of phase I. The need for new school buildings as provided in our long range needs would be dependent on continued expansion as outlined in phase II, III, and IV.

The other attendance areas in Morrow County could also experience some enrollment growth as a result of the increased irrigation.

The next step in the implementation of the long range planning report is to discuss the report with the various school committees and civic organizations within Morrow

## Opinions Wanted

County and receive feedback from these groups on the following questions:

1. Opinions on immediate and long range building needs including priorities.
2. Type of financing to be recommended (serial levy or bond issue).
3. The timing most desirable for a vote on either a serial levy or a bond issue.

The results of the various meetings will then be reported back to the planning committee and School Board for the final decision.

The attached Schedule I contains information on both a serial levy and bond issue for the \$450,000 that is estimated as the amount needed to finance the immediate needs.

Schedule II shows a year by year projection of the building needs.

## SCHEDULE I

Summary of Serial Levy and Bond Issue Based on \$450,000 construction on TCV of \$88,583,105

Year	Levy per \$1,000 TCV	Amount
1	1.69	\$150,000
2	1.69	\$150,000
3	1.69	\$150,000

Year	Levy per \$1,000 TCV	Principal	Interest	Total
1	\$ .62	\$ 35,000	\$ 20,000	\$ 55,250
2	.66	40,000	18,675	58,675
3	.66	40,000	16,875	56,875
4	.62	40,000	15,075	55,075
5	.65	45,000	13,275	58,275
6	.63	45,000	11,250	56,250
7	.67	50,000	9,225	59,225
8	.64	50,000	6,975	56,975
9	.62	50,000	4,725	54,725
10	.65	55,000	2,475	57,475
Total Cost		\$450,000	\$118,800	\$568,800

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1	\$ .44	\$15,000	\$23,625	\$38,625
2	.43	15,000	22,837	37,837
3	.42	15,000	22,050	37,050
4	.41	15,000	21,262	36,262
5	.40	15,000	20,475	35,475
6	.39	15,000	19,687	34,687
7	.44	20,000	18,900	38,900
8	.43	20,000	17,850	37,850
9	.42	20,000	16,800	36,800
10	.40	20,000	15,750	35,750
11	.39	20,000	14,700	34,700
12	.44	25,000	13,650	38,650
13	.43	25,000	12,337	37,337
14	.41	25,000	11,025	36,025
15	.39	25,000	9,712	34,712
16	.44	30,000	8,400	38,400
17	.42	30,000	6,825	36,825
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## SCHEDULE 2

Year	A.C. Houghton		Riverside		Heppner		Ione		Total Cost
	Elem.	Old Gym	Elem.	H.S.	Gym-Aud	Shop	H.S.	grade	
1		10,000			Imp. 30,000	100,000		10,000	\$150,000
2	140,000								\$140,000
3				160,000					\$160,000
4-10		225,000	800,000		50,000		250,000		\$1,325,000
10-20	1,000,000					300,000		120,000	\$1,420,000

The other problem is in spectator seating in the gymnasium. The present gym will only seat approximately 400 spectators and even with the current population there have been instances when standing room only was available. With the growth in student enrollment accompanied by an increase in adult population it will be a relatively short time before the seating will be insufficient to meet local needs.

The Boeing company is acting in the capacity of master developer for the continued development of the new city of Boardman. A preliminary plan has been developed and is currently being reviewed prior to being submitted to the Agency of Housing and Urban Development as an application for funds to begin the initial phase for expansion of the city for Boardman.

Approval of the application would result in expansion of the city beginning in July of 1973. Phase I of the expansion covers the years 1973-75 and would add 310 acres with 800 housing units.

## Expanded Population

The study also relates to population expansion that is anticipated as a result of current and planned irrigation projects. The population figures are projected on the basis of irrigation projects only and does not reflect any new industry that might locate in north Morrow County. Population studies in other newly developed irrigation projects show a growth of approximately 50 people for every 1,000 acres of irrigated land. The



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## Heppner Jr. Hi Students Council Elected



Front row: l to r-Terry Starr, Kirk Sager, Bill Kenny. Middle row: l to r-Maureen Healy, Lynne Gochbauer, Wendy Myers. Back row-l to r-Ken Grieb, Jerry Cutsforth, Steve McLaughlin, David Allstott, Teresa Peck, Nola Steers.

The Student Body officers and room representatives for Heppner Junior High have been elected for the first semester 1972-73: President, David Allstott; Vice Pres, Ken Grieb; Treasurer, Teresa Peck; and Secretary, Wendy Myers.

Room Representatives: 5th Grade-Mrs. Glavey-Kirk; 6th Grade-Mrs. Cass-Steve McLaughlin; 7th Grade-Mrs. Meador-Lynne Gochbauer; 8th Grade-Mr. Beck-Nola Steers and 8th Grade-Mrs. Cass-Steve McLaughlin.

The Council is advised by Al Sager, 5th Grade-Mrs. Will-Science teacher.

## POPULATION PROJECTION-BOARDMAN NEW TOWN

Additional Irrigated Acres population at 50-100 Acres Cumulative population

Year	Population	Irrigated Acres	Cumulative Population
1973	19,000	950	950
1974	16,000	800	1,750
1975	13,000	650	2,400
1976	10,000	500	2,900
1977	10,000	500	3,400
1978	10,000	500	3,900
1979	10,000	500	4,400
1980	10,000	500	4,900
1981	20,000	1,000	5,900
1982	20,000	1,000	6,900
1983	20,000	1,000	7,900
1984	20,000	1,000	8,900
1985	20,000	1,000	9,900
1986	15,000	750	11,650
1987	10,000	500	12,150
1988			12,650
1989			13,150
1990			13,650

Source: Boeing Estimate

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