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DEKALB COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT ANNOUNCES FORMATION OF CONSTRUCTION ADVISORY COMMITTEES

STONE MOUNTAIN, GA. – The DeKalb County School District today announces the formation of Construction Advisory Committees (CACs) for significant E-SPLOST (Education Special Purpose Local Option Sales Tax) capital improvement projects.

Guided by a formal process for establishment and protocol, these committees will serve to increase stakeholder and community engagement in the design, planning, and construction phases of all E-SPLOST projects which meet at least one of the following criteria:

- Includes the addition of a classroom or major space (e.g., auditorium)
- Features a single renovation project that has a value greater than \$3 million

Each six-member CAC will consist of:

- The school principal
- A minimum of two School Council or charter Governing Board members
- Additional parent or community members

Beginning at least three weeks prior to the School Council / Governing Board meeting at which CAC member selection will occur, the local School Council will announce a call for candidates via various communications channels. The ideal CAC parent / community members will be those with a professional background or interest in the following areas: architecture, engineering, construction, planning and design, or K-12 education. The School Council will select the CAC members during a public meeting.

Each CAC will:

- Advise the District on specific aspects of the capital improvement project over the entire course of the design process, usually between one to three years in length
- Select which of their members will attend the monthly work meeting with the DCSD Design Team and school principal

- Have its first meeting within 30 days following the issuance of the notice to proceed (NTP) to the architect for each project
- Be subject to Open Meeting laws and report in open meeting to the School Council / Governing Board
- Conclude upon submission and acceptance of the Substantial Completion Certificate by the District Operations Division

The District has established two initial groups (19 projects total) of significant E-SPLOST capital improvement projects that will require a CAC.

Details of groups, projects, timelines, candidate interest forms, and more are available on the District website at: www.dekalbschoolsga.org/e-splost.

About DeKalb County School District

The DeKalb County School District prepares students for college and careers through a laser focus on rigorous, relevant classroom instruction and individualized services designed to meet each child's needs. The District serves 102,000 students in 137 schools and centers through the teamwork of nearly 15,000 employees, including 6,600 teachers. To learn more, visit www.dekalbschoolsga.org. Submit questions or comments to DCSD_Communications@dekalbschoolsga.org.

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