

Executive Summary Fayette County Public Schools Board Meeting Agenda Item

MEETING: Regular DATE: January 8, 2024

TOPIC: Approval of Schematic Design Documents for the Construction of the New Rise

STEM Academy for Girls (K-8) BG# 23-547

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Recommended Action on: 1/22/2024 Consent Item

Superintendent Prior Approval: No

Recommendation/Motion: Approve the Schematic Design Documents for the construction of the New Rise STEM Academy for Girls to be located at 2160 Versailles Road.

<u>Background/Rationale:</u> The construction of the New Rise STEM Academy for Girls, located at 2160 Versailles Road, is listed as priority 1a.1. on FCPS's 2021 District Facility Plan (DFP). The Director of FCPS Facility Design & Construction has drafted a preliminary cost estimate for the new construction, yielding a final project of approximately 112,394 SF to serve 900 students (K-8).

The building construction project will be funded through a bond issue and is subject to the approval of the Kentucky Department of Education. A BG-1 Project Application for the construction, identifying the extent and cost of the work, was approved by the Board at its August 28, 2023 meeting and has been filed with the Kentucky Department of Education. At this time, the Board is required by 702 KAR 4:160 to indicate acceptance of the schematic design documents represented in the plans prepared by the design consultants Ross Tarrant Architects. Based on the review of these documents by FCPS staff, the Office of Facility Design & Construction recommends approval of these plans. Upon the Board's approval, these documents will be submitted to the KDE District Facilities Branch as required prior to the preparation of design development documents.

Strategic Priority:

☑ Student Achievement ☐ Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Belonging

☐ Highly Effective & Culturally Responsive Workforce

☐ Stakeholder Engagement & Outreach ☐ Organizational Health & Efficiency

Data Considerations: District Facility Plan

Policy: Board Policy 01.1 – General Powers and Duties of Board

702 KAR 4:160

Fiscal Impact: N/A

Attachment(s): SD Plans