Information Sheet – 1/15/19 - Board of Trustees Meeting

TO: Board of Trustees Item: 7.6

FR: Jim Bridges

DATE: January 15, 2019

RE: Naming of Ellis School Site

In August, a school naming committee was established to consider possible names for newly constructed schools and to recommend a school name to the Board of Trustees. The committee was composed of individuals representing district staff, parents, students and the public.

Staff: Susan Petrucelli, Janice Cook, Alyssa Wooten, Christina Orsi, and Jim Bridges
Retirees: Carol Minner, Yolanda Placeres, and Grace Merritt
Community Members/Parents: Susan Hawkins and Alexis Imperial-Bobis,
Students: Natalie Hewey
Board Members: Debbie Wingo and Dan Wells

In the first meeting, committee members brainstormed names in the three categories mentioned in BP 7310 Facility Naming.

1. Individuals, living or deceased, who have made outstanding contributions to the county or community
2. Individuals, living or deceased, who have made contributions of state, national or worldwide significance
3. The geographic area in which the school or building is located

In the second meeting, the committee reviewed the board policy criteria and added a few more preferences within the scope of the board policy.

Board Policy:

- Retired
- Deceased
- Only reuse names if location no longer in use
- Recommend a school name to the Board of Trustees

Committee:

- Strong tie to Jefferson School District
- Select names in County or Community and Geographic Area to provide the Board choice
- Rank the names in order by Category

Following the establishment of the criteria the committee reviewed short biographies on each of the brainstormed names and reduced the list down to those names that met the stringent criteria.

County or Community Names

1. Franklyn Cole
2. Ronaldo J. Marraccini

Geographic Area Ellis School Site

1. Willow View Elementary School
2. Ellis Elementary School

Recommended Action: The Board of Trustees shall review the committee's recommendation and make the final determination of the school name for Ellis School Site #1.