



SOUTHEAST ISLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

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Meeting: November 17, 2021 – Regular Board of Education Meeting

Category: Business Item

Subject: Coffman Cove Greenhouse Proposal

RECOMMENDATION

It is the administration's intent to continue to seek and put in place a feasible and sustainable solution for the continued management of the Coffman Cove Greenhouse. However, should an additional attempt not become practicable due to lack of resources, it is the administration's recommendation that the School Board approve the administration's proposal to pursue an outside agency lease of the Coffman Cove Greenhouse.

PERTINENT FACTS:

Numerous attempts have been made over the last 2.5 years to successfully run the Coffman Cove greenhouse. This was more feasible when we had the Farm to School grant funding. This funding source is no longer available due to being a recent award recipient and we are not allowed to re-apply for 3 years. Due to numerous factors over the last 2.5 years, most of which have been related to a lack of resources, SISD has been unable to successfully run the Coffman Cove greenhouse without the use of SISD general funds. SISD general funds have declined considerably over the last 6 years and therefore, running the Coffman Cove greenhouse has become more difficult and time consuming. Please see attached background information for more details if needed. District administration will explain/summarize the supporting documentation to the SISD School Board upon request.

RECOMMENDED MOTION:

Approve the administration's proposal to pursue an outside agency lease of the Coffman Cove Greenhouse should a sustainable solution not be achievable by SISD Administration.