



**Facilities Planning Committee Meeting**

**January 14, 2026**

**SASED Administrative Center**

**2900 Ogden**

**Lisle, IL 60532**

**2:00 PM**

**AGENDA**

1. **Call to Order/Roll Call**
2. **Pledge of Allegiance**
3. **Approve the Meeting Minutes from October 22, 2025**
4. **Facilities Planning Update**
5. **Enter into Closed Session**  
*To enter into closed session to discuss:  
The setting of a price for sale or lease of property owned by the public body. 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(6).*
6. **Reconvene into Open Session**
7. **Determine Next Steps**
8. **Adjournment**



## SCHOOL ASSOCIATION FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION IN DUPAGE

**SASED Facilities Planning Committee Meeting  
October 22, 2025 - 2:00 PM  
SASED Administration Center  
2900 Ogden Avenue, Lisle, IL 60532**

### MEETING MINUTES

Mr. Mark Cross, Committee Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 2:04 pm and welcomed those in attendance.

#### **1. Roll call was taken with the following responding:**

<b>Present:</b>	<b>District</b>	<b>Representative</b>
	DuPage County School District 45	Dr. Brian Graber
	Salt Creek School District 48	Dr. Amy Zaher
	Maercker School District 60	Dr. Sean Nugent (arrived 2:13 pm)
	Cass School District 63	Mr. Mark Cross
	Community High School District 99	Dr. Hank Thiele

**Absent:** West Chicago Elementary School District 33

Also in attendance:

Dr. Jean Barbanente, Board of Directors Chairperson, SD88  
Dr. Kim Dryier, Executive Director, SASED  
Ms. Rachel Wisniewski, CSBO, SASED  
Dr. Lizzy Vander Woude, Asst Dir Programs & Services, SASED  
Mr. Dan Lawler, Technology Coordinator, SASED  
Mr. John Langton, Facilities Specialist, SASED  
Ms. Senga Lowe, Board Recording Secretary, SASED

#### **2. Pledge of Allegiance**

#### **3. Approved Meeting Minutes**

*A motion was made to approve the meeting minutes from the August 27, 2025 meeting, as presented. This motion was made by Member Thiele and seconded by Member Zaher. Upon voice vote of all ayes from 5 districts present, motion passed.*

#### **4. Review of Timeline**

Dr. Dryier reviewed the projected timeline. Now that SASED has an Owner's Representative, Mr. John Langton, the focus is currently on finding potential properties. Committee members still thought this was an aggressive timeline.

#### **5. Rent and Lease Offset Costs**

Dr. Dryier reviewed the different scenarios provided by PMA, which all include an increase of 2-3% for rent. #1-2900 Ogden, \$9.5M over twenty years, #2-Classrooms, \$19M over twenty years, #3-Ogden and Classrooms, \$28M over twenty years, #4-Lisle South, \$2.5M over twenty years. Mr. Langton stated that the scenario of all staff and students under one roof is not ideal because it eliminates the chance for students to be mainstreamed. Dr. Dryier stated that we need to look at what we are currently doing with including students. We need to look at what is best for all students. A committee member asked if we have categorized those programs that could have kids mainstreamed. Dr. Dryier responded noted

approximately 30-35 classrooms, out of 49, can be centralized, Our DHH and Vision Programs are more inclusive than the rest of our student population and would have the most number of students mainstreamed. With that being said, we need to revisit what inclusion looks like in host sites and ensure that the lease parameters are being met.

**6. Sub Committee Input**

Not reviewed.

**7. Potential Properties and Scenario Options**

Dr. Dryier reviewed the options provided. Option 1 and 2 are the preferred options. The options could be cost neutral over a 20 years time period. The reality for member districts is that their costs would only change based on their enrollment of students in programs. It would not really have a large impact on districts. The potential cost savings would be incurred in efficiencies. We may need to use the fund reserve balance for the initial one or two payments to start while still leasing. It is important to remember that the most important thing is to have quality programming for our students. Each member district should remember that they are the owners of SASSED and take pride in that ownership and provide spaces that offer the best programming for our students. The goal is to stay within these offset costs. We will continue to pursue the properties and the option to add on to Southeast.

Dr. Dryier gave a brief overview of the properties that have been toured with the realtor. A member stated that we may want to consider renting to tenants in a space if that allows. The next step is to get the costs of these properties and the estimated rehab construction costs. It is a good market and the cost of commercial property is currently in our favor. A member pointed out that we may not want to shy away from industrial areas as they can provide a more secluded and safe area for our students.

Consider selling Southeast and consider looking at old schools to purchase.

**8. SY 27 and SY28 Classroom and ESY Leases**

A temporary option for SY26-27 may include SD33 Lehman School. There is an ADA accessible wing available. We should consider multi-year leases. Review leases again and make sure the parameters are being followed in host locations. SD58 may have classroom space available for SY26-27 as well. At the next Board of Directors meeting, discuss available spaces for host classrooms for SY26-27.

**9. Discuss and Determine Next Steps**

- a. Pursue properties within offset costs.
- b. Look at costs for Southeast renovation
- c. Review Joint Agreement/Bylaws for information regarding the sale of Southeast and what that would look like.

**10. Adjournment**

*A motion was made to adjourn at 3:15 pm. This motion was made by Member Graber and seconded by Member Nugent. Upon voice vote of all ayes from 5 districts present, motion passed.*

Minutes Approved by:

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Committee Representative

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Date