Destin High School Advisory Committee Executive/Founding Board Minutes Teleconference September 20, 2018 Key Take-aways from NWFSC Meeting

IN ATTENDANCE

Sarah Stone, Denise Fountain, Heidi Locicero, Jim Liufau, Prebble Ramswell, Christy Noe, Dr. Silver (by proxy)

MAIN DISCUSSION POINTS

- Immediate concern over their emphasis on being exclusive and special...
- FLDOE and OCSD does not like or approve of exclusivity
- We want to serve all students
- Our curriculum is totally different
- We want a city high school, not a junior college experience
- NWFSC hasn't written a charter in 18 years and they cannot get their application approved
- You cannot modify a charter
- CEN uses Cambridge program that aligns with project-based learning and ALSO gives students a 2-year degree and cash for school
- Collegiate HS has dropped 25 students a year; current enrollment listed at 264
- Their enrollment does nor support any facility payment
- There are charter school investors to help us obtain a facility
- Their proposition has us under them
- We can follow local building code or SREF- charters have more flexibility
- Area just must be zoned as educational (institutional in Destin)
- Consider a strategic limited partnership but nothing else
- With 400 students, we would have about \$2.8M with \$33,000 to spend on facility per month
- \$500-1M start-up cost based on no money coming in until July 20th FTE; we need also include insurance for board, hire a principal

ACTION

Meeting scheduled for Thursday the 27th