

Elementary School Planning Committee April 2, 2018 Meeting Summary

The meeting began with a debrief of the Design Workshop held on March 20 & 21.

Cortney Finley commented it was great to hear feedback from the students--many had similar things to say and the feedback was helpful.

Morgan Burris added she heard positive feedback from staff.

Review Goals for Success

- Facilities that are welcoming and accessible inside and out
- Comfortable, safe, and secure environments for students and staff
- A space that serves large student gatherings and as a community resource
- Learning environments that promote student success innovative instruction
- Foster student interaction across age groups
- Facilities that offer wellness learning and recreation activity opportunities
- Fiscally responsible investments that deliver operating cost efficiencies
- Learning and staff spaces that are flexible and adaptable for change

Review Design Options

Following the Design Workshop on March 20 & 21, a summary was made of the voting results from stakeholders who gave input. That summary can be found here: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1cNhUvpjx1W9Tv9s0soQUqvY1onwVoih2/view?usp=sharing

Kevin Eipperle of FEH Design said he was hoping for about 100 people, so it was a good turnout. On the upcoming community survey that will be mailed, he said FEH would feel good with 300 survey responses.

The highlighted options are the ones that received the most votes. They included: North Elementary Addition, West Elementary Addition, New Elementary Addition East of MS/HS, and New Elementary Connected to MS/HS.

It was the consensus of the group that the bulk of people coming through for the Design Workshop were parents with kids in the district, or staff members. It was then stressed the importance of gathering feedback from the general public.

Another issue brought up that requires more investigation is the settling of the foundation and possible water undermining the foundation, which has been newly discovered. Co-chair Maggie Tucker said this would dramatically impact the cost of rehabbing the current building. Eipperle said there would need to be a structural evaluation of the building to determine the scope of the potential problem.

Cortney Finely asked that the ESPC website be updated to include all of the documents available (enrollment study, capacity, and site assessment). Acknowledging this is a lot of information for most people, it would still be available to anyone who would like it.

Jessie Potterton said there is a ton of data and it needs to be put in a digestible format.

Superintendent Francois said the committee should filter the data and information so the community doesn't have to do all the legwork, finding a way to bring it home to the general public that makes it more manageable.

Community Survey

The committee spent a great deal of time reviewing the draft of the Community Survey that will be mailed to every resident in the 53565 zip code to further gain feedback on proposed renovations.

The survey would be issued April 10 (following School Board approval April 9) and would have a close date of May 1.

The ESPC meeting on May 2 would be used to review the survey data. The committee will then make the ultimate recommendation to the board at its May 14 meeting.

A draft of the survey can be found here:

https://v3.boardbook.org/Public/PublicItemDownload.aspx?ik=42261046

Next Meeting

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Elementary School Planning Committee is set for Wednesday, May 2 at 6:30 pm in the elementary library.

Committee members: Morgan Burris Angela Drane Cortney Finley
Tom Ingwell
Deb Ivey
Joni Martin
Leah McDonald
Sarah Pearce
Gail Poad
Jessie Potterton
Melissa Ryberg (absent)
Bridget Tippett (absent)
Maggie Tucker

Others present:

Luke Francois, Superintendent
Matt Renwick, Elementary Principal
Joelle Doye, Communications Director
Kevin Eipperle, FEH Design
Christy Monk, FEH Design
Kelly Gundlach, School Board Treasurer
Larry Dolphin, School Board Clerk
Jeff Basting, School Board Member
Everett Lindsey, School Board Candidate