



**Meeting Minutes**

**The High School for the Performing and Visual Arts**

**MEETING NO.:** 010

**LOCATION:** The High School for the Performing and Visual Arts

**DATE / TIME:** February 10, 2014, 3:30 pm

**ATTENDEES:** Robert Scott Allen, HSPVA Principal; Kimberly Hickson, Gensler; Barry Moore, Gensler; Lester Yuen, Gensler; Michelle Neary, Gensler; Robert Barrera, Jr., Rice & Gardner; LaJuan Harris, HISD- Facilities Planning; Larry Trout, HSPVA; Steve Hoyt, HISD Sr. PM; Travis Springfield; Alene Haehl, HSPVA Friends; Patrick Peters, Parent; David Sheard, HSPVA; Kathleen Fenninger Community Member; Tamara Thompson; Julia Nolte; David Sheard; Bob Bedrick, Cadence McShane.

**PURPOSE:** The purpose of this meeting was to present evolution of the site plan and floor plans at each level.

**AGENDA ITEMS:**

- Introductions
- Gensler – Floor plan update
- Gensler – Building circulation review
- What to expect at the next Project Advisory Team Meeting
- Next PAT Meeting date: 3/10/14 3:30 pm

**NOTES:**

1. Dr. Scott Allen, Principal, welcomed the PAT and introduced Lester Yuen, Gensler. Mr. Yuen provided an updated presentation to the PAT.
  - a. Mr. Yuen stated that one initial pass of the floor plans from the first floor to the fifth floor has been done. The concepts remain the same. Column locations, elevations and stair locations were presented.
  - b. Illustrations of the HSPVA tall exterior letters at bus drop off, grand staircase, views into the recital hall and flexible spaces were presented.
  - c. The final site survey is complete. Light rail locations, utilities and site conditions are shown on the survey.
  - d. The bus drop off area plan was reviewed with the City of Houston (COH). The COH is requiring buses to enter from the west side in lieu of the east side.
2. The first floor plan was presented. The porte-cochere is on the south side of the building. The building entrance is situated on the southwest corner along with the lobby and main entrance to the largest theater. The parking garage ramp is on the east side. Dressing rooms and sewing rooms are on the north side.
3. The second floor is the entrance to the theater balcony seats. Administration offices are on the southeast corner. Three egress stairs are provided.
4. The third floor houses the dance studios on the south side. Egress stairs are also on the third floor. Science wet labs are shown on the north side. Corridors are designed to have exterior views.
5. The exterior courtyard space is on the fourth floor. Learning centers are shown on the north and west sides. Locating the dining commons by the courtyard is being considered.
6. The fifth floor houses visual arts, creative writing and music.
7. A preliminary basement parking plan was presented.
8. A series of building cross sections illustrating single and double height spaces were presented.
9. Pros and cons of having a large exterior glass wall for the recital hall were discussed.
10. The design for the performance spaces is still being studied.
11. The grand staircase element facing Caroline Street, which provides seating areas and informal meeting space was illustrated.
12. Currently the parking garage has a capacity of 155, however, several spaces will be lost once columns, entrances and other items are added. Visitors may park in neighboring parking garages.
13. Keeping the Learning Commons as a traditional library space to support standardized testing is being considered.

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**ACTION ITEMS:**

- 1-01 Sun and shadow studies (Gensler)
- 1-02 Provide faculty and student input to incorporate into the design. (HSPVA Staff)

**MEETING SCHEDULE:** Next PAT meeting: March 10, 2014, 3:30 p.m.

Please review the meeting minutes and submit any changes or corrections to Robert Barrera, Jr.  
After five (5) days, the minutes will be assumed to be accurate.

Sincerely,

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