

CONSTRUCTION AND FACILITY SERVICES (CFS)

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Facilities Planning

Project Advisory Team (PAT) Meeting Minutes

Lamar High School

MEETING NO.: 003

LOCATION: Lamar High School

DATE / TIME: March 26, 12:00pm

ATTENDEES: James McSwain, Principal; Robin Bissell, Teacher; Simon Chardey,

Teacher; Joseph David, Teacher; Angela Rice, Teacher; Cindy Puryear,

Non-Instructional; Alison Bell, Parent; Kim Lowes, Parent; Vivek

Pranavamurthi, Student; Patricia Rosenberg, Community Member; Marvin

Stone, HISD/Heery Program Project Managment; Gary Patterson,

Instructional Specialist; Mandy Nathan, Parent; Clay Clayton, HISD - Facility Planning; David Funk, HISD – Facility Planning; Patrick Glenn, Perkins+Will – Design Architects Amy Downing, Teacher; Robin Bissell, Teacher; Debbie Verdon, Lamar; Phoebe Tudor, Community/PAT; Holly Gibson, SDMC;

Brooks Staub, Teacher;

PURPOSE: The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the capacity model and space

requirements.

AGENDA ITEMS:

- Review and discuss capacity model and space requirements
- Review and discuss room descriptions.
- What to Expect at the Next Project Advisory Team Meeting

NOTES:

Discussion

Subject: Project Advisory Team (PAT) Meeting

1. General Overview

- a. The meeting was opened by Dr. McSwain with an overview to the PAT of what will be discussed at the meeting and noted that during the recent sessions with each department that everyone expressed all their desires, but that those totaled more than what could be afforded. Clay Clayton, Facilities Planning desires that the current requested square footage is 173,727 over the Bond budget of 434,000 square footage, or approximately 29% over. Dr. McSwain asked the group to consider whether there were any programs that could be deleted or if reductions should be made to throughout the school. He then led a discussion of each program area. Following the discussion, Dr. McSwain suggested, and the PAT agreed, that he would convene a smaller group to review each area in depth and bring the overall Program within the square footage budget. Below are notes regarding each Program area:
- 2. Neighborhoods

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- a. The classroom sizes are approximately 850sf' which averages approximately 100 square feet larger than those in the existing school. The PAT was not in favor of reducing these spaces.
- 3. Career and Technical Education
 - a. The PAT was not in favor cutting any CTE programs, but suggested looking for "low hanging fruit"-smaller storage rooms, perhaps sharing some spaces.
 - b. The Engineering Lab will be used as the Construction Trades Lab, if that program continues at the school.
 - c. There was a question on why the Animal Science Lab spaces were twice the size of a normal classroom if no animals are being kept? This will be reviewed further.
 - d. The Computer Programming and Graphic Design Lab could be the same classroom.
 - e. The Journalism and Film spaces could be combined...

4. JROTC

- a. The existing Learning Center A is a little larger than what is programmed for the new space.
- b. The existing Learning Center B is a little smaller (200sf) than programmed.

5. Visual Arts

a. There is not a lot of extra space to reduce but it was stated that currently there is only one instructor so perhaps the second Art Rooms is unnecessary.

6. Performing Arts

- a. There appear to be opportunities to share space and reduce square footage.
- b. The existing Band Hall is 1,600sf; and the proposed program is 3,500sf.
- c. The existing Orchestra Hall is 1,700sf; and the proposed program 3,500sf.
- d. Lamar High School currently does not have a Rehearsal Room. The proposed space is programmed at 640sf.
- e. Consolidation and sharing of Practice Rooms was suggested.

7. Physical Education / Athletics

a. The reduction of showers was discussed.

8. Administration / Guidance

a. The Teacher Work Center space will be distributed throughout and this will be the teacher planning and work area.

9. Food Service

a. No comments.

10. Custodial / Maintenance

a. No comments.

11. IT Support

a. No comments.

12. Child Care Center

- a. Dr. McSwain explained the draw for the Child Care Center was to help attract and retain teachers as well as allow students with children to attend school.
- b. The space is currently programmed for eight infants and eight toddlers but may need to be enlarged.

13. Student Union

- a. The PAT agreed this was a space to keep in the program.
- b. Dr. McSwain stated the need for a lighted / heated space for kids waiting to be picked up after school and extracurricular activities.
- c. It was stated that there was a math error in the spreadsheet that was subsequently corrected.

14. Other

- a. One member of the PAT suggested including space for "Young Life".
- b. The Alumni Center needs to be added.
- c. It was stated that Debate was not included in the program. This will be added:
 - i. The program will have an approximate total of 120 students...
 - ii. Need a classroom and a half.

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d. The Library/Media Center program requirements will be distributed throughout the academic area.

What to Expect At the Next Pat Meeting:

- 1. Final Program Confirmation
- 2. Report from the Design Charette
- 3. Possible Concept Design Preview

ACTION ITEMS:

- 1. Reduce program to within budgeted square footage. (McSwain, Stakeholders, Funk & Clayton)
- 2. Confirm Design Charette date and time (Stone)

NEXT PAT MEETING: TBD

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

Sincerely,

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