PAT Meeting Minutes

HISD North Houston Early College High School

MEETING NO.: 015
LOCATION: North Houston Early College High School
DATE / TIME: March 27, 2014, 2:00 pm
ATTENDEES: Alecia Roberts, HISD-College Access; Lucille Dew, Registrar; Morris Bennett, KWAME- HISD-Project Manager; Clay Crayton HISD, CFS; Daniel Ortiz, RdR Architects; Chimaobi Izeogu, RdR Architects; Matisia Hollingsworth, HISD Project Manager; Sue Davis, One World Strong; Gilda Torres, HISD, IT,CUST. REP; Kayla Pacheco, Student; Sunil Parmer, Student; Albert Wong, HISD Facilities Design; Matthew Weaver, HISD Choir; Geoffrey Ohl, HISD Asst. Principal.

PURPOSE: The focus of this meeting was to discuss the Telescopic Bleachers Study as requested by the PAT and the Digital Presentation design drawings presented at the previous Community Meeting.

AGENDA ITEMS:
- Review of Telescopic Bleachers Study
- Comments on Digital Presentation delivered at previous Community Meeting
- What to expect at Design Review Meetings moving forward

NOTES:

Discussion
1. Telescopic Bleachers Study findings:
   a. The current Option A plan shows 8 rows of bleachers @ 60 feet for 400 students. This arrangement covers a little more than half of the Multipurpose Room when fully deployed. A potential Option B plan consists of stackable chairs with an inherent line-of-sight issue if there is no elevated stage.
   b. Events requiring seating in the Multipurpose Room will mostly consist of school meetings, student gatherings and choir performances. There is storage space in the design for a storage of a removable stage and chairs, however the PAT team remains concerned the stage and/or the storage space will not be used after the first few performances and meetings.
   c. The study’s planned location of the bleachers obstructs the half-court basketball area. RdR will look at moving the bleachers to the west wall adjacent to the fitness room. The length of the bleachers would need to shrink, possibly shifting the capacity from 400 to 200 students.
   d. The cost included in the current budget. We anticipate a budget spike of roughly $30-50,000. The Plan Review Committee along with RdR should explore ways to get the Multipurpose Room seating in to the budget through other reductions as the DD phase progresses.

2. Digital Presentation Comments:
   a. Go Center: Design Review Committee recommends including seating, outlets, and usb connections at the half wall.
   b. Dining Commons: Design Review Committee would like to see more ideas for the treatment of the ceiling in the Dining Commons, corridors, and other parts of the building with exposed structure.
c. Members of the Design Review Committee recently visited Lora B. Peck Elementary School and consider it a successful precedent.

3. Digital Presentation Comments:

a. Future design review meetings will be broken down by scope and/or program.

What to Expect at the Next PAT Meeting:

- Architects presentation of the progress of the School Design, particularly reflected ceiling plans on the ground floor.
- Update on the multipurpose room seating selection.

Next PAT Meeting:
April 20, 2014 at 2:00pm - 4:00pm, North Houston Early College High School

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

Sincerely,

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