



Facilities and Bond Planning Advisory Committee

October 11, 2018

6:00 – 8:30 p.m.

Carruth Administration Center, Board Auditorium

1111 West 6th Street, Austin, TX 78703

MEETING MINUTES

IN ATTENDANCE:

Committee Members: Alejandro Delgado, Gabriel Estrada, Roxanne Evans, Dusty Harshman, Jennifer Littlefield, Cynthia McCollum, Rick Potter, Barbara Spears-Corbett, Valerie Tyler

Staff: Nicole Conley Johnson, Melissa Laursen, Bob Cervi, Christian Clarke Casarez, Sandra Creswell

Consultants: Tavo Reyes, Barry Nebhut

Visitors: Kathy Panak, James Allan Gill, Emma Pabst

1. Call to Order and Overview of Meeting Goals (6:17 PM)

Tri-chair Dusty Harshman called the meeting to order at 6:17 PM and reviewed the meeting goals, and explained the timeline for Board approval of the Facility Master Plan update has been extended from April to June. A new member, Valerie Tyler (appointed by Trustee Cowan) was welcomed to the committee.

2. Citizens Communication

Govalle neighborhood resident – AISD's project schedule for construction of the new Govalle Elementary is too aggressive; concerned that demolition and construction will occur during the school year and suggests relocating the Govalle students during construction; concerned that construction will kill or damage numerous trees.

Govalle neighborhood resident – does not support the design of the new school; feels that two of the trees on his site will die due to the proposed construction; not happy with location of proposed bus loop – as emissions will be closer to adjacent properties, rather it should be placed on the south side of the site, near light industrial uses; drainage should go to Gunter; both of his driveways will be blocked during construction.

Environment Texas advocate – discussed solar opportunities to help with the impacts of global warming; 2013 bond program included \$10M for solar – but only a fraction was spent, the district needs to use the remaining funds; commend AISD's efforts, but the district needs to go further; desire for every school to have solar panels by 2025; opportunity for students to understand climate change and know how to take action.



3. Approval of Minutes (September 13)

Minutes were approved as presented.

4. Subcommittee and Working Group Report Outs

- Equity Subcommittee – Revisions were made to the white paper based on previous feedback. The district’s working definition of equity, which was adopted from the National Equity Project, was added to the paper as a reference:
 - Reducing the predictability of who succeeds/fails
 - Interrupting practices that negatively impact struggling students of color
 - Cultivating the unique gifts and talents of every student
- Community Engagement Subcommittee – No updates.
- Target Utilization Plan Subcommittee – No updates.
- Permanent Capacity Working Group – The goal of group is to re-examine the current methodology and determine if it should be revised. They will also consider whether a separate methodology should be created for the new modernized schools. The group has met twice to date, and will provide a more comprehensive update to the FABPAC at the next meeting.

5. Discuss Timeline and Strategy for Athletics, CTE, and Fine Arts Facility Master Plans and Campus Master Plans

Stantec and the district are currently under contract negotiations; however, it is anticipated that a discussion on community engagement will begin before the end of October. It is envisioned that the athletics, CTE and Fine Arts master planning processes will run from November 2018 – April 2019 with Board action in June 2019, as part of the updated Facility Master Plan. Development of campus master plans will most likely occur from September 2019 – May 2020, with two teams running concurrently – about six weeks per campus. Similar to current campus master planning efforts, campus architectural teams will be utilized.

6. Presentation of Doss ES Design

Stantec presented the design for the new Doss Elementary. The project is on schedule – with construction slated to begin in February 2019 for an August 2020 school opening. This school year, the Doss students were temporarily relocated to the Lucy Read campus as swing space during construction.

7. Introduction to Portable Reduction Strategy

Members were provided a refresher on the portable assessment study, previously presented in April 2017. The overview included:

- AISD operates approximately 650 portables at 107 facilities
 - 624 are owned
 - 26 are leased



- No new owned portables since 1997
 - Oldest portable 1952
 - Industry life expectancy is 15-20 years
- AECOM assessed all owned portables from October to December 2016
- Condition of portables
 - 10.6% Fair
 - 11.1% Failing
 - 78.3% Poor
 - 0% Good or Excellent

Since April 2017, the district has demolished 10 portables. As new schools and other capacity additions are constructed, portables will continue to be removed from campuses.

The portable reduction strategy working group will have its first meeting on October 15 to develop recommendations on how to further reduce the district's reliance on portables.

8. Discuss Creation of Joint Advisory Committee to Explore Equity, Diversity and School Utilization

Due to recent discussions at Board meetings, and conversations around the FABPAC's Equity White Paper, East Austin Manifesto, and the Diversity by Design paper a new joint committee will be created to further explore issues around equity, diversity and school utilization. The district is in the initial phases of developing a charge for this group and proposed membership categories, which may include representatives from the FABPAC, BAC, BFAC, BSTF, and DAC.

Members suggested including student representatives on the committee.

9. Update on Boundary Advisory Committee Fall Work Plan

The BAC has formed a subcommittee to re-examine its current boundary process. The subcommittee held its first meeting, and discussed ideas to improve outreach to affected school communities, and to re-structure the traditional public hearing to allow for more one-on-one dialogue. A revised process will be presented to the entire BAC at its December 6 meeting.

In January 2019, the BAC will implement the new process with the creation of a proposed attendance area for the new southwest elementary school. Concurrently, the BAC will review elementary school boundaries within the south central and southwest regions. The new attendance area and any boundary changes will be presented to the board for its approval by December 2019, in time for an August 2020 school opening.

10. Discussion of Committee Operations, Future Meeting Dates, Locations and Agenda Items

Future meetings:

- Joint Advisory Committees - October 17
- FABPAC – October 25



Future agenda items:

- Presentation on planned energy efficiency for the new school projects.

11. Adjourn (8:31 PM)