



Oak Park Elementary School District 97

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Facilities Advisory Committee
June 5, 2018
Meeting Minutes

The Facilities Committee of the Board of Education of District 97 met at Holmes School for a construction site walk through at 6pm
In attendance: Paul May, Dirk Danker, Dane Rankin, Catherine Ward, Heather Guido, Darryl Baker, Jeanne Keane, Dr. Carol Kelley, Dr. Alicia Evans, Bob Spatz & Lou Anne Johannesson

Also in attendance: Jennifer Costanzo / STR Partners, Jason Stonchus / Bulley & Andrews

1. Holmes: The demolition and abatement has begun. The project is on schedule to have construction completed by August 6th. Interiors and fittings will be completed prior to school opening on August 22nd. Final bids are expected shortly. *FAC will advise on final bid packages via email.*

2. Lincoln Expansion-Costanzo and Keane presented three options to FAC: A, B, and C.

- Option A was rejected. This option was approximately \$1million dollars higher than B. The difference was the addition of a band room and slightly larger new multipurpose space on the north side addition.
- *Option B was the formal recommendation.* This includes the addition of:
 - 12-classroom, accessibility, right-size spaces, multi-purpose
 - 2 Locations - North & Southwest
 - Reconfiguration of interior, addition of STEAM Lab
 - Expansion of the media center and lunchroom
 - Completion of Life Safety work
 - New windows
 - HVAC
 - Estimate is \$17.4 million
 - Construction timeline - Start in November 2018
- Option C includes:
 - An addition to the south end
 - 4 additional classroom, accessibility, right-size spaces, multi-purpose
 - Reconfiguration of interior, addition of STEAM Lab
 - Expansion of the media center and lunchroom
 - Teaching Assistants needed for classroom student size at an annual cost of approximately \$600,000/year
 - Completion of Life Safety work
 - New windows
 - HVAC
 - Estimate is \$10.9 million
 - Construction timeline - Start in November 2018

The Board had requested an option with larger class sizes. (C) Dr. Kelley pointed out that larger class size should not occur just at Lincoln when compared with the whole district. May stated that within a few years of TA salaries, the addition cost of option B will have paid for itself. He stated that he thinks that the money is better spent on a fixed asset for the life of the building. Currently, enrollment is 698, and will increase to 720 next year. The committee had a lengthy discussion on the details of the proposal. Spatz

shared information from the latest demographic study at the May meeting. May would like to study the demographic information more. The enrollment is currently higher than the estimate of the school's anticipated bubble year. *FAC recommended the entire scope of Option B, but with further study of enrollment predictions.*

3. Longfellow –In May, FAC had recommended Longfellow can be postponed until 2020. Keene and Costanzo met with the Principal again to see if that is viable. It is not according to current and future enrollment. Costanzo presented one Option that includes:

- 4 Classrooms
- Accessibility, right-size spaces, multi-purpose
- Completion of Life Safety work
- Estimate is \$ 11.1million
- Construction timeline - Start in February 2019

FAC questioned why she chose the location on the north along Jackson Blvd. She explained the only other location has a utility vault beneath the surface. The question of the size and scope of the project compared to Lincoln was raised. Costanzo explained the Longfellow is currently a larger building. She stated that for the instructional and enrollment needs, this concept accommodates Longfellow and provides equal instructional and programming spaces to Lincoln. Dr. Kelley asked that a learning space/lab be added similar to Holmes and Longfellow, instead of 2 Spanish instruction rooms. FAC agreed. Costanzo will produce a concept. *FAC recommended the Longfellow option with addition of a STEAM Lab.*

4. Action items: *FAC unanimously approve April's meeting minutes as amended. FAC unanimously approved May's regular meeting minutes.*

8. Adjournment: 9:12 PM