Dunwoody High School CAC Meeting

Tuesday, August 20, 2019 4:00pm

Minutes

Attendance: CAC members – Dave Levy, Randi Siegel, Louise Headland, Kelly Clinch, Pricilla Cole DHS Admin – Mr. Jameson, Ms. Jiram, Ms. Harris Board Member – Stan Jester PAC members – Mary K Morris, Lisa May Community Members -- Pam Tallmadge, Despina Lamas, Lynn Deutsch, Dyana Bagby, Andrew Ziffer, Julia LeDoyen, Michelle Fincher, Lisa Beiger, Erica Harris Guest speaker – Shawn Hamlin (BRPH Architect)

1. Welcome

- a. Meeting called to order at 4:10 pm
- b. Adopted and amended agenda for the meeting via motion
- c. Minutes from last meeting were approved

2. Principal's Report

a. Ms. Cole had no updates

3. New Business/Unfinished Business

- a. Shawn Hamlin, BRPH Architect for our project, gave us a presentation of the preliminary/proposed design of the DHS addition and remodel. They have included 41 classrooms, modifying common spaces (media center, kitchen, cafeteria), with space to accommodate a 2300 capacity
- b. Included 160 new parking spaces from paving over detention
- c. No info on turf field right now
- d. Classrooms to be added include 2 science labs, performing arts spaces (choral, band, orchestra and blackbox), keyboarding, art rooms, career tech, and general use classrooms.
- e. Also working in the design to improve circulation in the school to make moving from class to class more efficient
- f. Right now looks like best plan is for addition to go on back of school (behind auditorium) and move tennis courts back near softball fields
- g. Media Center will be enlarged and re-designed with less book stacks, more flex space, more digital media and meeting rooms. Also plan to put additional common spaces/meeting rooms near classrooms in new addition
- h. Possible repurposing of existing band/orchestra rooms for PE and sports needs. Shawn is also asking county if we can update the locker rooms.
- i. Cafeteria will be moved to the back of the addition. Existing cafeteria space repurposed for classrooms
- j. Addition should provide us with 9 additional office spaces and more conference rooms
- k. Shawn says cost is approximately \$23 million but could change based on future construction costs.
- I. Julia asked about gym space. Stan Jester said we (CAC) can ask for an auxiliary gym. CAC responded they would like to ask for that but only if it doesn't diminish classrooms added or parking. We would want it in additional to all the other requests.

- m. Ms. Cole said she is working with the county to get the retention pond paved over and additional parking added asap possibly this summer (2020).
- n. Drainage issues on sports fields was discussed. Should have a site survey soon to know what we need.
- o. Andrew asked about the new DHS building meeting future enrollment. We have close to 2300 students now. What about the future enrollment projections? Is the county giving us enough space to meet future enrollment? Ms. Cole is asking the county about this too. Don't want a building that is over capacity on day one. Need to plan for the future.
- p. Asked about storage and bathrooms Shawn says both will be addressed. Addition will add bathrooms to each floor.
- q. Stan expressed concern about construction costs in DeKalb being higher than in other counties. He has concerns about cost, budget and timing for projects.
- 4. Meeting adjourned at 5:37pm