

Austin ISD

Brooke Art Transition Task Force Meeting | Reunión del Equipo Especial de la Transición del Arte Brooke

Date | Fecha: Wednesday, Jan. 27, 2021, 5:30-6:30 p.m. | Miércoles, 27 de enero de 2021, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Agreements:

- a. Share the space (everyone speaks once before anyone speaks a second time)
- b. Listen to all points of view
- c. Hear the experiences of others
- d. Seek to understand, not just to be heard
- e. Presume that everyone is coming from a good place, assume good intentions.

Agenda | Agenda:

2. Welcome & Status Update| Bienvenida y Actualización

- a. Site Walk: Friday, September 25, 4 p.m.
 - i. Task Force members Paula Reyes, Raul Valdez and Socorro Cascaro walked site to collect additional information on the art pieces including condition and medium.
 - ii. Ali Ghilarducci, Matias Segura and Sheri Albin from AISD captured the information in the inventory.
 - iii. Luiz Casarez, former Brooke Head Custodian and current Govalle Head custodian also participated in the walk.
- b. [Photograph Artwork](#), Dec. 22, 2020
 - i. A professional photographer took high resolution photos of all the art pieces.
 - ii. The photos may now be captured in a commemorative photo album and/or reproduced at scale.
- c. Obtain quotes
 - i. The district obtained quotes for taking down and packing artwork in the event a relocation is recommended.
- d. Tony Gonzalez mural relocation
 - i. The district is coordinating the delivery of the Tony Gonzalez Mural to Gonzales residence.
 - ii. This is the first piece that was recommended for relocation and the district is honoring the recommendations of the task force.

3. Public Comment | Comentario Público

a. Margaret Arriaga

- i. M. Arriaga spoke to Jill Ramirez (wife of artist Sam Coranado). She would like her husband's mural returned to the family. It is the one with the sun and leopard. M. Arriaga will invite her to the next Task Force meeting to discuss.

4. Discussion and possible recommendation regarding Raul Valdez Murals

a. "Education: Liberation of the Mind," Sculpture facing 4th st.

- i. P. Reyes shared that she would like to have the sculpture relocated to Govalle which has welcomed over 7 former Brooke students. S. Cascarro is in favor of Govalle as well.
- ii. There is already a sculpture garden adjacent to the Govalle campus so it would be a nice addition to a walking art tour.
- iii. M. Segura, Linder could be a good second option but the land is not level. Plus Linder is in very poor condition and will most likely be included in the next bond so the building footprint on the campus could change in the event of a modernization project. This could cause another costly move of the piece, and add risk to the condition of the piece.
- iv. R. Valdez commented that it should not be moved to any other school sites that could be at threat of closure.
- v. S. Cascarro suggested Eastside since it is in the heart of the community and would get a lot of viewing traffic with ACC nearby. She also suggested Martin could be a good option since it is the feeder middle school.
- vi. P. Reyes noted that the Task Force would need to talk to the Eastside principal and CAT members to make sure there was interest in accepting the sculpture there. It needs to be something the community is asking for.
- vii. The Task Force unanimously decides that Govalle is the first option, Linder is option "b" and Eastside would be explored only if those options do not work.

b. "Discovery" - Cafeteria Stage

- i. M. Rodriguez shared that she would like to have the mural relocated to Linder which has welcomed over 120 former Brooke students.

- ii. It is unanimously agreed that Linder is the first option for the relocation of the Discovery mural.
- iii. R. Valdez, P. Reyes, M. Rodriguez, M. Segura, A. Ghilarducci and S. Albin will schedule site walks to Govalle and Linder to identify the best location for the sculpture and mural.
- c. Front Office Piece (1984?)
 - i. R. Valdez comments that because it is on cinder block, it will be infeasible to relocate.
 - ii. M. Segura comments that the future use of the site has not been determined and it is possible that it might remain where it is or could be built around.
 - iii. The Task Force unanimously agrees that if the building remains, the mural will stay in place.
 - iv. In the meantime the district will work with R. Valdez to explore the best way to create a digital reproduction of the piece so it can be displayed at another site.
 - v. Additionally, the district will work with R. Valdez to possibly commission the artist to fill in the piece of the mural cut out by the door to make the reproduction a complete rectangle.
- 5. Set date for next meeting | Establecer fecha para la próxima reunión
 - a. Next Steps: Set up site walk of Govalle and Linder. Set date of next meeting after the district has the opportunity to plan for the potential relocation of the two Valdez pieces.
- 6. Adjourn: 6:47 p.m.

In Attendance | En Asistencia: Ali Ghilarducci, Matias Segura, Sheri Albin, Paula Reyes, Melissa Rodriguez, Raul Valdez, Alma Valdez, Socorro Cascaro, Margaret Arriaga