

### **Facilities and Bond Planning Advisory Committee**

### Wednesday, January 11, 2017 5:30 p.m. Martin Middle School, Cafeteria 1610 Haskell Street, Austin, TX 78702

### **MEETING MINUTES**

### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

<u>Committee Members</u>: Kristin Ashy, Michael Bocanegra, Leticia Caballero, Cherylann Campbell, Rich DePalma, Roxanne Evans, Gabriel Estrada, Paulette Gibbins, Mark Grayson, Dusty Harshman, Marguerite Jones, Jodi Leach, Jennifer Littlefield, Scott Marks, Cynthia McCollum, Rick Potter, Joe Siedlecki, Tali Wildman

AISD Trustees: Julie Cowan, Amber Elenz, Ann Teich, Yasmin Wagner

<u>Staff</u>: Nicole Conley, Edmund Oropez, Paul Turner, Beth Wilson, Melissa Laursen, Felipe Romero, Asha Dane'el, Marc Brewster, Lydia Venegas, Julia Maldonado, Celso Baez, Chaneel Daniels, Reyne Telles, Loretta Taylor, Christian Clarke Casarez, Gilbert Hicks, Sandra Creswell, Terrance Eaton, Lisa Goodnow, Ruben Pizarro, Craig Shapiro, Rey Garcia, Samantha Alexander, Dr. David Kauffman, Jean Bahney, Gloria Williams, Thyrun Hurst, Louis Zachary, Amanda Ortiz, Jennifer Williams, Monica de la Garza-Conness (Martin Principal)

<u>Consultants</u>: Beth Penfield, Greg Smith, Chris Dunlavey, Zach Abaie, Jevin Hodge, Kayla Anthony, Brad Kiehl

Visitors: List of visitors is attached.

### **1. Call to order** (5:42 PM)

Tri-chair Cherylann Campbell called the meeting to order at 5: 42 PM and stated the goal of the meeting is to come to an agreement on preliminary recommendations for the remaining planning clusters, to be presented at Community Collaboration Series #3 beginning January 24.

Trustees Julie Cowen, Ann Teich, Amber Elenz, and Yasmin Wagner were in attendance.

### 2. Citizens Communication

Tri-Chair Roxanne Evans explained the Citizens' Communication process.

 Martin teacher – school strives for inclusion and equity; Martin has the potential to attract students from outside the attendance area, but needs a modernized facility.

- Maplewood parent east Austin resident; schools are not the building, they are the people within; supports an "8-K" model school at Mueller.
- Maplewood parent east Austin resident; schools serve as community HUBs; 5<sup>th</sup> grader has limited middle school options; does not want to send student to Kealing.
- Martin alumni and parent keep Martin a middle school; the school gives its students the needed attention and services.
- Martin 8<sup>th</sup> grade student Martin is in bad physical condition; improvements are needed; mentor to 6<sup>th</sup> graders
- Martin 8<sup>th</sup> grade student Martin is thriving; academic distinctions; community partnerships; great location; building is in bad physical condition.
- Ortega parent and CAC member appreciates the openness to provide feedback on the FMP process; supports the FABPAC's recommendation to keep Ortega open with proposed facility improvements; supports possible boundary change for Airport Blvd area.

### 3. Approval of Minutes

The minutes from 11/30/16; 12/01.16; 12/07/16; 12/08/16; and 12/15/16 were approved as presented.

### 4. Review of Subcommittee Summaries

- FMP/FCA Subcommittee discussed the role of the subcommittee with the Educational Specifications update; they are beginning to review the current FMP and will review an outline for the FMP Update soon.
- Community Engagement Subcommittee reminded FABPAC to reach out to neighborhood associations to promote the upcoming community meetings; upcoming Twitter Townhall.
- Departmental Needs Subcommittee discussed the format of the upcoming January 17 FABPAC meeting; and asked that members review the updated Departmental Fact Sheets.

### 5. Discussion of Revised Preliminary Options and Committee Feedback

Using feedback from the FABPAC, Brailsford & Dunlavey presented revised planning cluster options to the committee. The goal is to determine the FABPAC's level of agreement for each planning cluster and to determine what preliminary recommendation should be presented to the community. Results of FABPAC's discussion on clusters **22**, **21**, **25** and **26** are as follows:

### Cluster 22

The FABPAC asked to revisit Martin to ensure the committee had a clear understanding of the preliminary recommendation agreed upon January 11, 2017.

**Martin** – move forward: "right-size" the campus to accommodate its enrollment and dedicate its excess space to either the district's Science Center, district offices, or a community-based use that pays rent to the district.

• During this conversation, the committee briefly discussed the need to reassess the district's capacity methodology for schools that house community uses, special education units, or specialized academic academies/programs.

### Cluster 21

**Murchison** – move forward, expand capacity to 1,500; look at future boundary change with Lamar or Burnet if needed; and if a boundary is needed then re-evaluate the capacity of Burnet at the time it is due for its project.

Discussion for Murchison around the capacity expansion of 1,500 or 1,700. Members
discussed whether a boundary change would be preferred versus building as large as 1,700.
Associate Superintendent of Middle Schools recommended creating a 6th grade center
within the building if the capacity is above 1,500. Also discussed the possibility of a new
northwest Austin K-8 school.

**Dobie** – move forward as presented.

• There was a brief discussion whether Dobie could be a candidate for consolidation.

**Webb** – move forward as presented.

**Burnet** – move forward as presented, with future re-evaluation to expand the school if a boundary change with Murchison is needed.

**Lamar** – move forward, modify comprehensive project to years 12-25; targeted renewal project for Fine Arts years 1-6.

**Sadler Means** – move forward as presented, with a clarification that the future expansion would be for a capacity of 900.

**Garcia** – move forward as presented.

### *Mueller school site (currently not in a cluster)*

**Mueller site** – move forward with a co-ed middle school, capacity of 900 using the old Pearce and Garcia boundaries.

Comments from FABPAC members on a co-ed middle school included:

- A co-ed middle school option could provide for socio-economic integration.
- The district should develop a plan that addresses how existing middle schools in the area can retain and attract more students, in particular students residing in the Mueller community.
- There is a need for a traditional middle school in northeast Austin.

- If we open a new middle school in Mueller, are we creating too much middle school capacity?
- A new school at Mueller may create competition for other struggling middle schools in the area. Need to address the northeast middle schools. How does creating a new school help the existing schools?
- The district needs to commit to providing transportation to all students who want to attend Sadler-Means or Garcia to help increase enrollment; then consider creating a co-ed middle school at Mueller.
- Need to consider other options for Mueller site (i.e. Rosedale)
- Increased M&O expenses for a new middle school is a concern. Need a clear goal on what a new middle school at the Mueller site will achieve.

### Cluster 25

LASA – move forward as presented

• FABPAC members questioned whether the Alternative Learning Center could accommodate all of the co-curricular activities (including athletic fields), and if not, would that be acceptable to the LASA community. A FABPAC member stated the need to be clear that the expansion to 1,600 is needed to increase diversity.

**LBJ** – move forward as presented, with clarification that the P-Tech program accepts 50 students annually into the program.

**McCallum** – move forward as presented, with a future investigation of a boundary change for students east of IH-35 to Eastside Memorial.

**Garza** – move forward as presented.

Reagan – move forward as presented.

**Lanier** – B&D to re-evaluate capacity for January 12 meeting.

**Anderson** – move forward as presented.

### Cluster 26

Eastside – discuss at January 12 meeting.

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

- January 12 finish discussion on FABPAC's preliminary recommendations and discuss preliminary FMP sequencing
- January 17 departmental requests

**7. Adjourn** (9:30 PM)

### FACILITIES AND BOND PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE CITIZENS' COMMUNICATION SIGN-IN SHEET

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