



Citizens' Advisory Committee Meeting 3 Summary Notes Thursday, October 19, 2017

Welcome

Dr. Jamie Wilson, superintendent, welcomed the committee members and turned it over to CAC co-chairs Jeff Williams and Lauren Baccus.

Jeff Williams and Lauren Baccus reviewed the discussion from the October 5th committee meeting and asked the sub-committees to break into their groups to discuss their areas they have been assigned to.

Sub-Committee Work

The sub-committees were asked to reflect on the information they received in Meeting 2 and discuss how it relates to their sub-committee. Meeting 2 presentations included the district's growth projections and demographic report from Templeton, financial information from the district, and bonding capacity scenarios from the district's financial advisor.

Questions for the Committee members to reflect on are:

1. What is the projected growth for Denton ISD
2. How much can the district afford?
3. Which bonding capacity scenario are we comfortable with?
4. What does all of this mean for our sub-committees?
5. What are the goals of our sub-committee?
6. Do we need any clarifications from Meeting 2

DISD's Instructional Vision

Dr. Mike Mattingly, Asst. Superintendent of Curriculum & Instruction showed a video that highlights the district's approach to instruction today and how the newer facilities are designed to best meet the needs of today's learners. He also discussed the most important items students need for future job skills, which he refers to as the 4 C's: Critical Thinking, Creativity, Communication and Collaboration. He stated that the curriculum and Instruction department is responsible for what is being taught and how you teach the courses. As we build schools we need them to be flexible to have innovative spaces, collaborative and flexibility spaces as well as technology "Powered UP" support, he added. The committee also watched a video highlighting the district's mission and vision and how they apply to instruction as well as future district facilities.

Denton ISD Facility Assessment

Steve Hafer with Huckabee provided an overview of the Facility Condition Assessment that has been performed to prepare for the next bond referendum. Huckabee has been working since the spring evaluating existing facility conditions at each DISD facility to create a snapshot in time that can be used as a benchmark and measuring tool to assess the general conditions of each facility. This report will provide data that will support decisions made regarding DISD's maintenance and operating (M&O) budgets, and for future capital improvement plans to renovate facilities, make additions, and/or build-new construction in DISD, with a focus on educational adequacy and facility integrity. Each sub-committee was provided a copy of an assessment for one school. These were designed to help the committee members understand the details that will be included in the assessment and how to review them.

Sub-Committee Work

Lesley Weaver with Huckabee reviewed the process for weighting and ranking projects with the sub-committees. When evaluating potential projects, some factors will be more important to a person than another. Those should hold more weight in making up a project rating total. The committee will rank the following factors, which will be used later in the prioritization of potential projects:

- Benefit to Community
- Benefit to Students
- Equity
- Urgency/Need
- Value

Following the prioritization activity, the sub-committees discussed the instructional vision and how it relates to their group. They also reviewed an excerpt from the Facilities Assessment and were told the full assessment would be available to anyone who wanted to review it.

To guide their conversations, the sub-committees were asked to consider the following as they plan:

1. Based on the instructional vision and facility assessment, do we have the right goals for our sub-committee?
2. What are the priority areas that we need to review?
3. What additional information do we need?
4. Do we need to visit any facilities?

Closing

The committee members were asked to review the facility assessment report before the next meeting.

The next meeting will be Thursday, November 2 at 6 pm at Stephens Administration Building. At the next meeting, the sub-committees will be asked to develop potential projects for their area and to begin to prioritize the projects for their group.

Attendance:

Committee Members in Attendance:

Carissa Acker, Lizzy Asbury, Gina Anderson, Lauren Baccus, Catherine Bell, Georgianne Burlage, Happy Carrico, Kari Conner, Ray Croff, Tim Crouch, Mariella Cudd, Suzanne Danhof, Mile Donnelly, Tiffany Eaglin, Larry Fisher, Hope Galloway, Larry Gilbert, Karen Goff, Laquita Harmon, Robert Insley, Sam Kelley, Kathy Lawson, Anita Martinez-Strickland, Karen McDaniels, Buena Moment, Tammie Aplasia, Susan Parker, Gary Peppers, David Piccolo, Todd Price, Anita Reeves, James Renfro, Kevin Roden, Dr. Rudy Rodriguez, Sr., Bud Sasser, Greg Sawko, Christi Shiflett, Molly Tampke, Mike Vance, J.D. Walker, Jeff Williams, Mike Woods

DISD Staff in Attendance:

Paul Andress, Marcus Bourland, Jackie deMontmollin, Joey Florence, Dwight Goodwin, Mary Helen Martin, Mike Mattingly, Debbie Monschke, Gwen Perkins, Carla Ruge, Kim Stevenson, Ernie Stripling, Jamie Wilson, and Julie Zwahr

Others Present:

Steve Hafer, Tim Hopkins, Mike King, Lesley Weaver – Huckabee Architects
Representatives from Corgan, VLK and Stantec Architects

Committee Members Absent: John Cabrales, Cameron Cox, Lyle Drescher, Sheryl English, Kathryn Flores, Laquita Harmon, Wendy McGee, Bryon Mecham, Nancy Murphy-Chadwick, Luke Olson, Efren Olvera, Becky Rodriguez, Dr. Elizabeth Seymour, Janet Shelton, Randi Skinner, Teresa Starrett, Mike Woods