

Desoto Facility Committee Meeting

September 24, 2013

Introductions

Mr. Olson has graciously agreed to put a link onto the website for the purposes of disseminating information from this meeting.

Master Plan Discussion: Dr. Trisha Burkeen

*Review of Master Plan: Mr. David Kromm

Mr. Kromm shared a presentation with the Facility Committee. The presentation began with photographs and information dating from 2003...2006...2009...2010...to the present.

De Soto High School and Junior High School Master Plan....

1. Possible classroom additions at both the High School and Junior High
2. One kitchen that would serve students from both campuses as well as would aide with ADA accessibility; could serve as an instructional area during hours when not used as a cafeteria
3. Auditorium/Fine Arts area with possibility for wrestling program usage
4. Commons Area for community use
5. Addition of an elevator to aide in ADA accessibility
6. Possibility of rerouting of buses and/or parent drop-off area
7. Remodeling of the current high school cafeteria....space planned for relocation of the Management School and the Dragon Annex
8. Multiple Schemes for existing Junior High Cafeteria....one plan allowed for classrooms....one plan allowed for relocation of Food Service Commodities/ Management.....one plan illustrated using this space in order to expand the current Junior High Shop.....a further plan allowed for the space to be remodeled as Junior High Science (2) rooms/labs

Questions from the committee concerning the project?

1. Would the commons area main entrance be used for morning entry for both Junior High and High School? No, the Junior High students would use the current front door as their entry point in the mornings.

2. Would the management school, in the new space, have the option of separating Junior High students from High School students? The space would provide for a separation.
3. Is the auditorium still a wish list item? This has been a part of discussions with the School Board. The need for a library space at Vineland as well as additional classroom space and the need for a cafeteria and additional classroom space at the Junior High and High School continue to be the greater priority. We are still trying to make enhancements to our current Visual/Performing Arts and Band/Choir programs within our current budget.
4. Is the baseball/softball area still a part of the plan? These areas are a part of the master plan.

Comments from the Committee

1. More classrooms are needed at the Junior High than at the High School.

Vineland Elementary Master Plan.....

1. Renovating the current gym into a library/media room space with charging stations
2. Addition of a gymnasium that seats 900...possible addition of locker rooms/restroom facilities/storage
3. Addition of classrooms
4. Improved access to all levels of the building

Questions from the Committee

1. Have we looked at the types of flooring for the gym? Yes, there has been discussion concerning who will use the gym. This discussion will continue in order to make the best decision for flooring for the space.

Athena Elementary Master Plan...

1. Improvement to parking areas
2. Capital projects including replacing interior doors, ceiling and floor tiles
3. Enhancements made to ensure safety and aesthetics
4. Mechanical Improvements

Project Cost and Benefits

Now is a good time to take advantage of the opportunity within the construction community concerning the bidding process as well as interest rates and bonding capacity.

Prioritize Needs

Individuals on the committee were invited to place three sticky notes onto their three greatest priorities. This information would be shared with the committee during the October meeting scheduled for October 22, 2013.

“Parking lot” items to be reviewed at future meetings:

Central Wiring Distribution Server Center, Network

Gym Floor at Vineland Restrooms, Water Fountains, Locker Rooms,

Space for Kids to go if made smaller DHS/DJHS kitchen

Has area been looked at by cafeteria staff to see if this is a do-able set-up? DHS/DJHS Kitchen

Any space be “storm safe” or used for tornado shelters?

100 x 50 storage building with dock needed.

Are there restrooms near the DHS cafeteria?

Water fountains to fill water bottles and containers

Exterior accessible restrooms for Vineland cross country etc.

The next Facilities Team Meeting will be on October 22, 2013 beginning at 6:00. The team will meet at Vineland. Dr. Freeman will send out a reminder email to those on the team.

Respectfully Submitted by:

Alex Mahn, Athena Elementary Principal.