

School Design Team Meeting Minutes

Cleveland High School

Meeting No. 6 / January 16, 2003 / 3:00 p.m. / Cleveland H.S. Library

1. Opening / Introductions / Meeting Goals (Larry Matsuda)

- Review of SDT program progress
- Notice of revised SDT dates and review of upcoming scheduled events (David Wilson, Heery)
- Meeting goals to be accomplished today (Butch Reifert, Mahlum)

2. CHS Project Site Analysis Review (Mahlum Architects) – presentation of current site constraints and issues:

- Zoning classification and set-backs as well as parking requirements
- Site topography: site is cut in two by steep slope between school facility and the athletic facilities to the west. Steep slope designation and resulting impact to site usage.
- Environmental review including the classification of the slope as an ECA (Environmentally Critical Area). Current ECA designation restricts usage of the sloped land area.
- CHS historical issues including the school site trees that have significant value.

3. Discussions on Design Program Assumptions

- The oak trees are significant. It was relayed that last year the Principal had some general pruning done on the trees and heard a large uproar from the community. M.L. Shukis stated that the trees should not be touched. Brent Compton stated that the city may want some work done on the trees to protect their longevity and health.
- We were told that Lucile Street has always been a busy street and that the schools front door has always been to 15th Avenue.
- An idea to place parking under a new gym structure was proposed.
- Currently there are not enough stalls for staff to park.
- Program should address access to activities and opportunities off campus.
- Program should address the appropriate size for the resource area, 65 students or should it be smaller and group oriented?
- Other ideas were proposed such as incorporating movable walls within an academy, providing work space for parent volunteers at the school, developing a student lounge, and reviewing text book storage (central or distributed).
- Special Ed will need access to a "time-out" space in each learning community.
- Computer labs should have lecture spaces away from computers, secure rooms for equipment and a space to trouble-shoot equipment problems.
- Rick Harwood stated that there may be five smaller learning communities. School is for 1,000 students so we need to decide. Is it schools of 250 each or 200 each or varying in size?

- Basketball teams at Cleveland have been strong historically.

4. Next Steps:

- Butch Reifert, Mahlum Architects suggested to the SDT that a comprehensive design Charette could be scheduled at CHS to draw information from CHS staff, SDT, students, parents, and the surrounding community.
- The suggestion was accepted by the SDT and the design Charette dates were set for Monday, February 3 through February 7, 2003. A schedule would be developed and sent to CHS for distribution.

5. Upcoming Events & Small School Proposal Status (R. Harwood, CHS Assistant Principal)

- The Small School Proposal process is proceeding as planned with formal Small School Proposals due to the Transformation Committee on January 24, 2003.
- The next CHS SDT community meeting is scheduled for February 8 and will dovetail with the completion of the design team's Charette process that week.

6. Closing and Adjournment

Next Meeting: Thursday, February 13, 2003 at 3:00 p.m. – CHS Library - Presentation of SDT Transformation Committee's selected Small School Proposals

The preceding Minutes were prepared by David Wilson, Project Manager.