West Woodland Elementary School – Classroom Addition

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Meeting Minutes

SDAT Meeting 03

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April 3, 8:45 AM

Attendees:

	Farah Thaxton (FT)	WWES	Jill Farbarik (JB)	WWES
	Brian Langley (BL)	WWES	Marie Sumpter (MS)	WWES
	Katie Barrett (KB)	WWES	Paula Wittmann (PW)	WWES
•	Wynne York-Jones (WYJ)	WWES	Nicole Selstead (NS)	WWES
•	Ashley McClaran (AM)	WWES	Melissa Winchester (MW)	KIDSinc
	Mike Skutack (MS)	SPS	Paul Wight (PW)	SPS
	Michael McGavock (MM)	mcg-ARC	Mitch Kent (MK)	mcg-ARC
	Matthew Bissen (MB)	mcg-ARC	Ben Fields (BF)	mcg-ARC

ITEMS DISCUSSED

I. INTRODUCTION

II. ACTIVITY

- A. School Tours (See attached)
 - 1. Olympic Hills Elementary School
 - 2. Thornton Creek Elementary School
 - 3. Loyal Heights Elementary School
- B. Tour Debrief
 - 1. Olympic Hills "What should we take away from OHES?"

Strengths: Open visible playground / Effective Daylight / Open & welcoming entry / Clusters vibrant / Intense Colors / Community and Planning Room a great idea / Servery Flow / Access & Drop off to Commons / Clear organization / Clear distinct community & academic areas / Visibility and Windows / Concerns: Concern with Library noise & connection / Clusters too separate / Lack of vitality, life in main circulation / Mixed view on shared storage areas / Institutional feel / Lack of classroom storage / Too crisp

2. Thornton Creek – "What should we take away from TCES?"

Strengths: Split Commons with smaller spaces / Stadium seating / Shared Commons Sinks / Classroom Storage / Scale of shared activity spaces / Stage size and scale / Art on display – display cases / Music room acoustics / Daylight

Concerns: Relights above lockers / Too many relights to shared activity spaces / Hiding places under covered play / Sandbox / Concrete Floors / Wood finish / Lockers / Scale and size of hallways particularly first floor / Library sight lines

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3. Loyal Heights – "What should we take away from LHES?"

Strengths: Office aesthetics and feel / Connection of materials between old and new / Lights in the commons add character / Sinks in Commons / Water fountains / Connected classroom storage / Connected Kindergarten rooms / Open clean lines of old building / passage area and entry in commons

Concerns: Office flow / Confusing Entrance / Sterile hallway display areas / Distracting floor patterns / Tight cold lines of new building / Low ceilings at stairs / Outdoor access to gym

- C. Tour Feedback Sheets (See Attached)
- III. THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 4:00 PM. NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON WEDNESDAY, 4/24 STARTING AT 1:30 AM.

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Tour Take Aways

Olympic Hills Elementary School

What should we take away from OHES

- Amazing open visible playground
- Daylight 2.
- Color @ each pod
- Separate areas Commons/Classrooms
- Different Pathway
- 6. Entry = Open
- Office, Open w/ resources
- Openness Welcoming
- Clear Organization
- 10. Community/PD Room
- 11. Community Spaces & Access
- 12. Gym w/ Toilets!
- 13. Lunch Room with 2 lines good flow
- 14. Nice drop off
- 15. Pods too separate
- 16. No visible flow
- 17. Lack of vitality, lifeless
- 18. Sterile v. Clean
- 19. Vibrant Kinder Pod
- 20. Noise @ Library
- 21. Material

- Hard crisp
- Note enough storage in classroom b.
- Shared + shared parking for Sci Kits C.
- Doors everywhere d.
- Visibility @ windows
- Cleaning windows f.
- Walk-off mats g.

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Tour Take Aways

Loyal Heights Elementary School

What should we take away from LHES

- 1. Nice office, poor flow
- 2. Confusing entrance
- Nice connection between old & new materials, color, lights
- 4. Lights in lunch room add character
- 5. Handwashing in commons
- 6. Water Fountains
- 7. Personalization @ classrooms
- 8. Connected Storage
- 9. Connected K rooms
- 10. Sterile display @ new compared to old
- 11. Distracting floor patterns too colorful, busy
- 12. Clean open lines of old building, tight cold new building
- 13. Low ceilings at stairs
- 14. Outdoor access from Gym commons (all)
- 15. Passage space in commons entries hallways

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Tour Take Aways

Thorton Creek Elementary School

What should we take away from TCES

- 1. Cork boards that look like cork
- 2. Gates w/ laches
- 3. Flooring too hard
- 4. Split commons
 - a. supervision
 - b. + noiseless
- 5. Stadium seats
- 6. Shared sinks in commons
- 7. Windows to classroom
- 8. Classroom storage
- 9. Stair storage
- 10. Pods between, but too many windows, nice scale
- 11. K-shared space change access
- 12. Covered area w/ hiding places needs walls
- 13. No sandbox
- 14. Lockers borrowed too much space
- 15. Windows too many hard to control
- 16. Bare concrete floor
- 17. Music room acoustic isolation
- 18. Cubed 3D display
- 19. Art on display
- 20. Windows on stair

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21. Nice stage, projects scale to commons

- 22. Dirty sills
- 23. Wear @ wood
- 24. 1st floor corridor scale
- 25. Sloped classroom ceilings
- 26. Natural Light @ top
- 27. Poor sightlines in library

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