



AKRON PUBLIC SCHOOLS

King Community Learning Center Community Meeting #3 May 26, 2010 at 6:00 P.M.

In Attendance

Principal Mary Dean

Patty Gonzales, Debbie Deidrick, Deborah Pleli, Jean Flinn, Charlene Tabata, Janet Lippincott, Stephanie Jensen, Amy Salisbury, Julie Buzzi, Brianna Hayes, Claudia Grimes (King School)

Ron Shea, David Kirschbaum, Bill Bregan, Jeff Schreffler, Melissa Schreffler, Kelly Costanzo, Kyle Julien, Valerie Stutler, Scott Porter, Noel Dannemiller, Kyle Julian, Robert Langston, Malintrea Langston, Jeff Moshier, Lisa Britton, Pam Thorsell, Kelly Costanzo, Missy Earl, Jeff Schreffler, Melissa Schreffler, Angela Dinkins, Sean Yost, Melissa Yost (Parents)

Steve Nome (Progress through Preservation)

Marguerite Tremelin, John Miller, Alfred Nicely, Christine Hurtubise, Brian Searle, John Glenn,

Jeanne Ott, Jodie Grasgreen DeLamtre (Community)

Becky Tompkins (West Side Leader)

Fred Herr, Paul Flesher, David James (APS)

Ginger Baylor (School Board Members)

Laraine Duncan, Mark Moore (City of Akron)

Todd Westover (TC Architects)

Mark Salopek (GPD)

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Mark Salopek, John Peterson, Kevin Madison (GPD)

David Krutz (RPJ)

Todd Westover (TC Architects)

- Principal Mary Dean opened the meeting at 6:00.
- Paul Flesher had a few opening comments and turned the meeting over to Mark Salopek.
- Mark Salopek thanked all for coming and asked if everyone was familiar with both of the concepts. There were a few that had not seen any of the presentations so far.
- Mark Salopek went over the renovation/addition plans and then presented the elevation sketch.
- Paul Flesher commented that this elevation sketch was very preliminary and just for discussion purposes. He went on to say that if the stakeholders and community wanted a different look, then we would evaluate those options also.
- Mark Salopek discussed some of the key items with this concept.
- Mark Salopek then discussed the replacement option and its elevations.
- The community concerns summary was presented and discussed.
- The cost summary was presented and discussed.
- After the presentation, there were a lot of general discussions. In no particular order, the following were questions and comments:



1. A number of parents were concerned with who might be the partner in the building and who would be in the building while the students are there. There was a lot of discussion over this. The city representative and the school assured the parents that all safety measures would be taken. They pointed out how other partnerships have been successful at other CLC's.
2. There was a question about contracts and bidding. It was explained that there are 4-5 prime contractors and it is all publicly bid. These prime contracts are then managed by a construction manager.
3. Many people asked where the \$3.4 million comes from to do the renovation option. The answer was from more bonds that will be sold.
4. Many people questioned if it was fiscally responsible to spend the \$3.4 million. Some commented that this should be used for future projects.
5. Members of the Progress Through Preservation questioned why we would not use the basement for educational uses.
6. Most people were happy with the direction of the plans and elevation concepts.
7. The utilities cost and the ongoing maintenance of the renovation/addition option was discussed again at this meeting. Many felt that it was not a good idea to increase operational expenses.
8. While the majority of the room seemed in favor of replacement, there were a few more people in attendance than in previous meetings that would like to see a renovation/addition project.
9. Many of the members of the audience were upset that a decision was not being made tonight. They thought it was going to be decided at this meeting. Paul Flesher and David James explained that the decision would be made by the Joint Board, the School Board, and the City Council. This is supposed to happen by the end of June.
10. The preservation group was concerned with wasting all of the existing materials in a landfill if the replacement option is chosen; they felt it may be beneficial to save the resources even if it cost more labor to work with them.
11. David James and Paul Flesher told the audience that we will finish the basement in some manner at a later date when a partner or other function is known.
12. Some spoke about the need to keep the important buildings in the district. They felt that it was worth spending the additional funds on a renovation to maintain this facility
13. David James spoke to the group and told them that he understood their concerns. He felt that two good options were presented and the decision makers would gather all of the data and make a decision soon.
14. Mrs. Ott commented about the quality of the staff and the programs at King. She stressed that this was the reason King was a good school.

The meeting ended at approximately 7:20 P.M. with Todd and Mark thanking everyone for attending.

Attached is the sign in sheet.

Meeting Minutes Prepared by:

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