

Olentangy Development Committee Meeting
Minutes of June 1, 2011 @ 7:00 p.m.
Olentangy Administrative Offices

In attendance for the Development Committee were:

- Antronica, Anthony
- Au, Ralph
- Frash, David
- Fuller, Robert
- Jacobs, Marty
- Jurawitz, Sharon
- Kroskie, Kelly
- Lewis, Tony
- Muharrem, Gurgun
- Oliver, Gene
- Reiner, Charles
- Schroeder, Mark
- Schuette, John
- Seils, Rich
- Thomas, Ron
- Vasbinder, Mike
- Weaver, Deb

Also in attendance were Keith Pomeroy, Terri Shaw and Andy Kerr.

Ralph Au called the meeting to order and requested the agenda be changed by moving the July meeting date discussion after the Project 2020 update is given.

Ralph asked for a motion to approve the agenda as amended and meeting minutes.
Ron Thomas moved and Mike Vasbinder seconded the motion to approve the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

Ron Thomas moved and David Frash seconded the motion to approve the minutes of the May 4, 2011 meeting. Motion carried.

Ralph gave an update on Project 2020 as it pertains to the Development Committee. As a recap, he stated the four options the Development Committee will consider:

1. build high school #4
2. expand the existing high schools – Andy, Mike Vasbinder, Bill O’Sullivan and Bruce Runyon to explore this option
3. change the grade configuration of the district
4. build a stand-alone academic only building

Andy brought the committee up to date on the progress of each option. The cost of building the fourth high school has already been estimated to be \$62 million.

Andy, Bruce Runyon and Bill O'Sullivan have met several times to pull together details for option #2. A two-story 47,000 to 50,000 square foot model, which would accommodate 700 additional students, will be used to calculate the cost of adding on to each existing high school. This model will be placed in a different location at each building depending on available space and will expand the existing commons area to include additional space for lunchroom seating but will not include additional kitchen space. Different options will show either a stand-alone building or an addition that will be connected to the existing building. There is space at both LHS and OOHS for either a stand-alone academic building with additional commons space or an addition that would be connected to the commons. OHS would have a combined academic and commons stand-alone space that would be located at the north end of the existing building. All freestanding buildings would have their own utilities and a food service area without kitchens. With additional students, changes would be needed to the current schedule. The estimated costs for this option should be finalized by July and will be presented to the Facilities Acquisition & Maintenance Committee later that month.

Option #3 explores a grade configuration change. DeJong/Healy will assist with GIS information and help determine if the existing middle schools have the design capacity to handle the change. Middle schools could be paired with high schools with a configuration of grade 6 and 7 at LMS and grades 8 and 9 at HMS feeding into LHS which would house grades 10 through 12. The same configuration would be at BMS and OMS feeding into OOHS. SMS and MS #6 would feed into OHS. Implementation of the grade configuration changes would be done as the high schools exceed design capacity. Even with the opening of middle school #6 as scheduled in 2016, the middle schools would be over crowded the following year. Another grade configuration option would be to move sixth graders to the elementary buildings but the elementary buildings are not currently equipped to handle the sixth grade science curriculum. The advantage to grade reconfiguration is the elementary and middle school buildings are less expensive to build than a high school.

Option #4 considers a stand-alone academic only building without food service, athletics, PE or the arts that could be converted to a commercial space when it is no longer needed for students. This building should be in a centralized location, as it would be shared by all existing high schools. Block scheduling would be needed to allow for travel time provided by a shuttle between buildings. All activities would occur at the student's home school (athletics, band, art, etc.). The academic wing, including some support spaces at LHS is 170,000 sq. ft.; we could estimate a stand-alone building would need to be approximately 125,000 sq. ft. With this option, there would be no change in high school boundaries and administrative costs would be less. Some challenges with this option would be the difficulty in finding available space in a central location, away from high traffic areas. Further cost analysis is needed before working through the details. It is possible this option could be cost prohibitive.

Ralph informed the committee that there would not be a need to meet as a full committee in July. The FAMC subcommittee is scheduled to meet two times in July to prepare for the Project 2020 report. The subcommittee will bring their findings to the full committee in August and be ready to report to the P2020 committee and the Board in late August or September. At the last P2020 committee meeting, the timeline was revised delaying committee reports until September.

Andy gave a construction update on Heritage ES and Berkshire MS. The contractual completion date for HES is July 1. Even with the challenges the weather has presented the building should be complete the week of June 13. Asphalt is almost complete and life safety will be completed by June 3. The head custodian is already working in the building with the full custodial staff to begin June 13. The overall quality of this project is good.

The contractual completion date for BMS is June 10 but the building will not be finished by this date. June 13 will be the earliest this building will be finished with some re-works still needed on less than acceptable work. Asphalt work will start tomorrow (6/2) and furniture delivery will begin July 6. Life safety will be finished by the end of the week and the crews are working on punch lists. With completion dates not being met, the contractors will go into a penalty phase with no bonuses earned. Even with delays in construction, this building will be ready for the start of school.

Moving on to projected enrollment, Andy reported on the latest enrollment numbers. OMES is projected to open with 713 students and will most certainly go into overflow with additional students moved to another building for the first year. LTES dropped from 771 to 683 with preschool moving to HES. GOES will be full with 673 students and SMS is able to handle a higher enrollment of 838 due to the larger size of the building. The elementary enrollment is more accurate because more parent information is provided about students moving in and out of the district. Currently, we are within 235 students of our projected district total for the end of the 2011/12 school year.

Terri Shaw gave the HB 264 project status report. Phase I bids are due June 15 and will go to the Board for approval on June 22. The chiller unit for OHS is a separate bid with that deadline this Friday (6/3). It would take eight weeks to order a new chiller and this unit needs to be replaced sooner so a pre-purchase unit will be used and will be installed this fall. Phase II will consist of control upgrades on the rest of the chillers, roof top units, and CO₂ sensors. The HB 264 projects will be completed over a two year period.

All contracts have been awarded for the capital improvements and the district-wide wireless technology upgrades.

Andy advised everyone to be aware of the HB 210 new food service federal regulations, SB 5, and the budget HB 153.

There will be contract negotiations with both the transportation and CMF departments this summer.

There are slightly more homes and condominiums for sale in the OLSD area this year over last, and the rate of foreclosures is dropping.

New housing starts are up. Half of the homes in the Parade of Homes in southern Delaware County have already sold and there are new homes being built in Golf Village and other various locations. The buildable lots in Delaware County are decreasing.

No new agenda items were discussed.

Ron Thomas moved and Robert Fuller seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:03 p.m.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, August 3, 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

Andy Kerr