

Gymnasium—"Studio R"—Library—Aux Gym

A bond was passed in fall of 1952 to build a gymnasium onto the new high school—they were finished by December of 1953. The gym (80' x 83') had a capacity of 650-700 people and the auditorium sat 350-375 people. T

In 1970 a bond was passed to add an addition which included a new gymnasium (the current gymnasium). The gym began use in the 1972-1973 school year. The old gym was converted into classroom space and was given the nickname "Studio R"—six open classrooms separated by 5' bookshelves. After a few years it was converted again—3/4 library space and 1/4 study hall space. Eventually it became a fully dedicated library.

In 1992 a bond passed to add major renovations to RHS including a new library. The old library was converted back into a gymnasium and used as the "Auxiliary Gym."

Old Gym Will Provide Revere Classrooms

By WILMA KOLLERT

Revere Board of Education decided Thursday night to renovate the old gymnasium for classroom use.

Architects estimate that renovation of the 18-year-old gym will cost \$62,000. Work is

scheduled to start as soon as school closes in the Spring.

At least six teaching stations will be provided in an open classroom design. Rooms will be carpeted and

divided by five-foot movable bookshelves.

BIGGEST EXPENSE, according to architects, will be replacing the present gym heating system which does not meet state standards for

classrooms. The board also approved air conditioning. There are no windows in the gym.

The renovation also will include a resource center. The area now occupied by bleachers will be converted into an upper level for teachers to use in class preparation.

BOARD MEMBERS say they will not ask voters for additional funds for the project which will be financed by state funds the school will receive.

Supt. Jack Nicholas said the air-conditioned area also could be used for Summer education programs.

The new gym at Revere was completed last year.

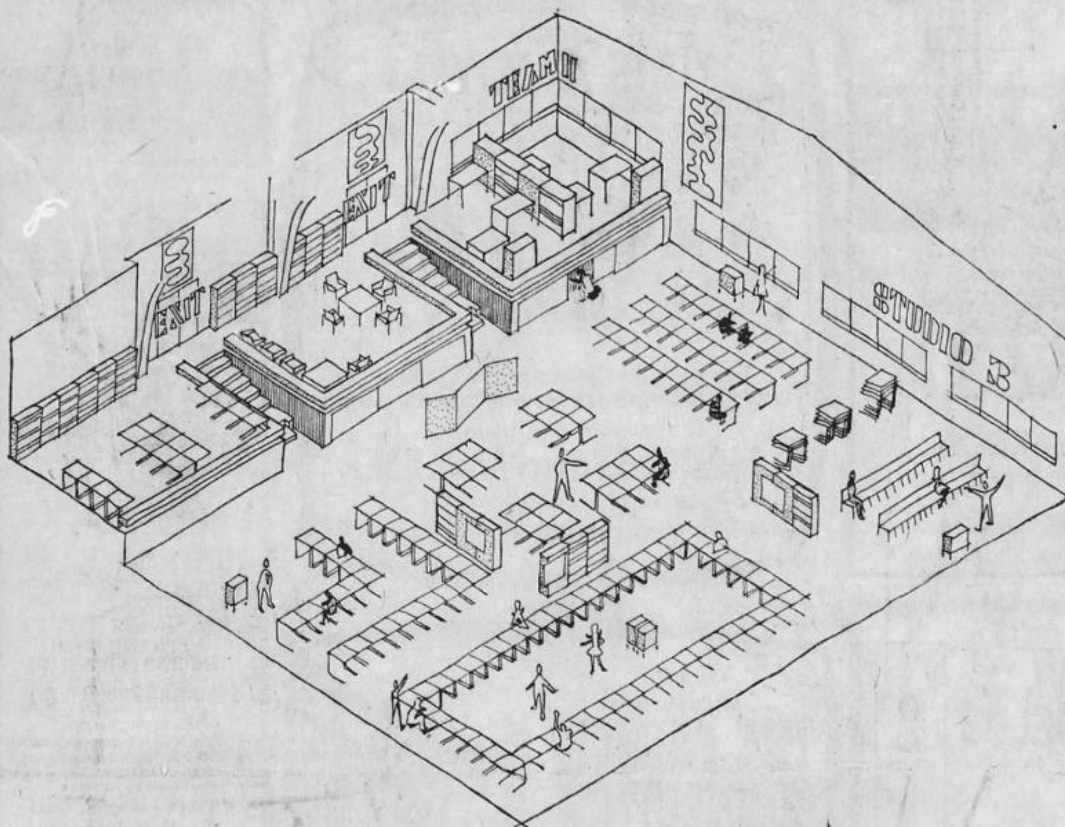
THE BOARD also approved a \$27,000 remodeling of the old auditorium.

It will include new lighting, wall paneling, 285 upholstered seats, painting, air conditioning and drapes.

The two projects with an 11 pct. fee for architects will cost an estimated \$100,000.

Board member Thomas Nobil presented information on a new \$25,000 bookkeeping machine. Clerk-Treasurer Shirley Fladda said the machine would cut the time required to prepare payrolls from four days to about three hours.

The board is to consider the purchase further at its March session.



ARCHITECT'S SKETCH OF OPEN CLASSROOM CONCEPT