

Diman Regional Vocational Technical High School
School Building Committee Minutes
Via Google Meet
February 8, 2021

In attendance:

Tim Alix, Colliers	Greg Joynt, KBA	Phil Palumbo, Colliers
Paul Beaudoin	Steven Kitchin	John Pimentel
Emanuel Botelho	Thomas Librera	Tracy Priestner
Steven Cloutier	Decio Matos	Andrew Rebello
Lisa Desrosiers	Michael McCann	Carl Sawejko
Donald DiBiasio, Chair	Alan Minkus, Colliers	Aaron Soares
Elvio Ferreira	Craig Olsen, KBA	Maria Torres
Deb Kenney	Debbie Pacheco	Katie Warren

Absent:

Glenn Benevides	Holly McNamara
Tina Bell	Joan Menard
Myles Brilhante	Rajiv Nehra, Vice-chair
Michael Dion	
Ed Hill	

***BOLD – Voting Member**

Mr. DiBiasio called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m. The Google Meet attendance will serve as the roll call.

It was moved by Ms. Priestner, seconded by Mr. Sawejko, and voted unanimously to approve the December 17, 2020 minutes, as submitted.

It was moved by Mr. Sawejko, seconded by Mrs. Kenney, and voted unanimously to approve the January 21, 2021 minutes, as submitted.

Mr. Alix provided a brief schedule update. The Preferred Schematic is due to the MSBA on February 24th. Colliers and KBA will be meeting with the MSBA Facilities Assessment Sub-Committee in March to review any questions before the April Board meeting.

Mr. Olsen provided a review of the project schedule, educational visioning, site challenges, student enrollment, cost comparison, and renovation/new construction options. Currently, the District is in Module 3B. Mrs. Kenney asked what will happen to the LPN building with option 3E. Mr. Olsen provided an overview of two options with and without the LPN building. Option 3E is the most cost effective option. Ms. Priestner asked about the construction options being suitable to the enrollment options being explored. Mr. Olsen responded that the enrollment options will be aligned with the square footage of the building.

Mr. Olsen asked members to use the matrix spreadsheet to perform the ranking of the preferred solution. Mrs. Kenney asked who is determining the enrollment. Mr. Olsen explained that it is the District's decision (options are 1,400, 1,500 and 1,645). Mrs. Kenney asked about the addition of new programs and duplication of programs with other schools. Mr. Olsen explained that when the district submitted the viability form with the proposed program and proposed enrollments, the MSBA and the Dept. of Elementary and Secondary Education determined the programs were viable. What is not taken into account is the programs that are not "online" and are not impacted yet.

Mr. Kitchin asked for an explanation of the ranking system on the matrix regarding the impact. Mr. Olsen explained that the word "impact" can be crossed out and instead use a pass, fail, or neutral ranking. Ms. Priestner asked about the Early Education and Childcare Program duplicity with Durfee High School. Mr. Olsen explained with the 1,645 enrollment, it would be a duplicative program and with the 1,500 enrollment, there will be no duplicity with Early Education and Childcare – 1,400 will not add any new programs, 1,500 will add Information Support Services and Networking and 1,645 will add Information Support Services and Networking, as well as Early Education and Childcare Program.

Mr. Kitchin left the meeting at 6:05 p.m.

It was requested that the matrix items be reviewed line by line. Mr. Olsen provided an overview of each line item. Mr. Joynt provided the scoring for the options.

It was moved by Mrs. Torres, seconded by Ms. Priestner, and voted unanimously to select 3E as the preferred design option.

It was moved by Ms. Priestner, seconded by Dr. Ferreira, and voted unanimously to submit the preferred enrollment as 1,500 students.

The next community forum will be held on February 23rd and the next School Building Committee meeting is scheduled for March 18th at 5:00 p.m.

Ms. Priestner asked if the preferred schematic option will be publicized. Mr. Olsen explained that a copy of the presentation can be posted online and distributed. Mrs. Kenney provided a report on the community outreach – BayCoast Bank has been contacted to assist in outreach and there are several individuals who will be contacted to help with the campaign. A further update will be provided.

It was moved by Mr. DiBiasio, seconded by Ms. Priestner, and voted unanimously to adjourn at 6:31 p.m.