



**BGC: Bearcat Growth Committee**  
**April 11, 2019**  
**Minutes**

1. The meeting was called to order by co-chairs Mrs. Christi James and Mr. Jim Scott at 6 p.m. with 34 members present. Aledo ISD non-committee staff members present were Dr. Susan Bohn, Lynn McKinney, Amber Crissey, Earl Husfeld, Rick Herrin, Tyler Boswell, Randy Campbell, Mandy Musselwhite, Stephanie Covington and Caroline Tabor. Board Members present were Jessica Brown, David Lear, and Forrest Collins. Future board member Jennifer Taylor was also in attendance.
2. Mrs. James introduced Mark Lam and Bobby Kincaid from Pfluger Architects. The following items were discussed:
  - Goals of Development – expand student capacity and explore alternative concepts at Aledo Middle School, middle school No. 2, new elementary school, converting McAnally Intermediate into an elementary school and renovation concepts of Vandagriff Elementary.
  - Cost Methodology included demolition, new construction, renovation, and considered soft costs and inflation implications.
  - One proposal included concepts about renovating or replacing the existing Aledo Middle School.
  - Renovated Aledo Middle School cost estimate is projected at \$28,261,000.
  - Another option included retaining the two-story building and the MPC while replacing the remainder of the facility at a projected cost of \$49,947,000.
  - Due to the increased enrollment numbers, Middle School No. 2 must also be built to accommodate the student growth. A new middle school would cost approximately \$68 million.



- There were two concepts presented for the potential renovation of Vandagriff Elementary. In both concepts the existing rock gym would remain, but does need renovation/repair.
  - One Vandagriff renovation concept includes renovating the current library wing for a cost of \$15,252,000. The second concept removes the library and constructs a new one at a cost of \$22,500,000.
  - A new elementary school was also discussed to help address enrollment growth needs. A new elementary school is projected to cost \$30 million. This does not include potential off-site costs.
  - The concept for renovating McAnally Intermediate and converting it into an elementary school was presented. This projected renovation would cost \$9,714,000, and includes creating collaborative learning spaces throughout the campus.
  - A master schedule concept for these potential bond projects was shared and discussed.
3. Mr. Scott said due to time constraints, the land costs information would be discussed at the next meeting. It was announced the next meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 17 at 5:30 p.m. at the administration building. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.