



BGC: Bearcat Growth Committee
May 9, 2019
Minutes

1. The meeting was called to order by co-chairs Mrs. Christi James and Mr. Jim Scott at 5:32 p.m. with thirty-two members present. Aledo ISD non-committee staff members present were Dr. Susan Bohn, Lynn McKinney, Amber Crissey, Earl Husfeld, Rick Herrin, Tyler Boswell, and Randy Campbell. Board Members present were Julie Turner, David Lear, and future board member Jennifer Taylor.
2. Mr. Tyler Boswell, Director of Construction and Facilities, presented details on the Soft Costs- Project Contingency definitions (see Pfluger memo titled *Subject – Soft Costs – Project Contingency definitions*).

McAnally high option was shared with collaborative spaces, but no addition to the building with a total cost of \$3,375,479. This impacts the total student capacity and lowers it as no addition is being completed.

McAnally low option was shared with no collaborative spaces, but modifying the building to be the appropriate size for elementary students for a total cost of \$2,689,215.

The district sought additional information from architects and contractors and the average cost per square foot for an elementary campus ranged from \$280 to \$300. General contractor per square foot costs ranged from \$270 to \$275. According to the architects polled, middle school square footage costs ranged from \$275 to \$285, with general contractors' stating that middle school costs range from \$290 to \$300 per square foot.



3. Pfluger architect, Bobby Kincaid, provided information concerning planning for the program information in order to reduce the program contingency costs for the new middle school. The district will complete this process during the summer. A committee, consisting of teachers and administrators, will come together to complete this work, with assistance from the architects, over multiple meetings before August.

Mr. Boswell and Mr. Kincaid then walked through each campus construction detail page for:

- Aledo Middle School #2
- Aledo Middle School (HIGH) renovation
- Aledo Middle School (LOW) renovation
- Elementary #6
- Vandagriff Elementary School (w/new library)
- Vandagriff Elementary School (w/existing library)
- McAnally Elementary School with collaborative spaces
- McAnally Elementary School (High w/o addition)
- McAnally Elementary School (Low option)
- Coder Elementary School
- Stuard Elementary School
- Vandagriff Elementary School (Early Childhood Conversion)

Each table group then used the detailed cost sheets along with the School Concepts Detailed Cost Estimates handouts in order to determine a possible bond proposal. Each group then reported out what projects they agreed upon.

Mr. Scott then asked a series of questions to determine possible areas of consensus as a committee. The group determined that they were most interested in Package #1. Package #1 includes:

New Elementary #6

AMS (LOW)

Middle School #2

McAnally (HIGH)



Vandagriff conversion to early childhood center

4. Mrs. James announced that there is a school board meeting on Tuesday, May 21st and members are encouraged to attend the meeting to represent the BGC. Mr. Scott reminded the committee members that the next meeting will be held on August 1st at 5:00 p.m. at the administration building. The meeting was adjourned at 9:15 p.m.